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Caring Program: Care Coordination for Children with Special Health Care Needs and Their Families

BIO

Amy Shannon, MSW, LSW has been the Special Needs and Care Coordination Consultant of the Highmark Caring Program since its inception in 2004. Prior to her current position she was an advocate for children who were ventilator dependent in Western PA from 2000-2003.

In addition to her many years of experience in advocating and providing services for children, Amy has also been a member of several committees, projects and boards that support children with special health care needs. Amy has been a board member of the Alliance for Community Respite Care since 2001, a core committee member for the Every Child Deserves a Home and Family Coalition since 2004, and was a contributor to the development and completion of the Allegheny County Transition Pilot Project and the Medical Home Conference in 2001 – 2002. Most recently, Amy presented at the 2008 AMCHP annual conference in Alexandria, Virginia on *Making a Positive Impact for Children with Special Health Care Needs through Cross Systems Care Coordination*. She completed her Bachelor's Degree in Social Work at Lock Haven University in Lock Haven Pennsylvania and earned her Master's in Social Work at the University of Pittsburgh.