

HISTORY & MISSION

Our Story:

In the early 1980's a group of local citizens concerned with the health and well-being of elderly and disabled adults recognized the need for an adult day center to serve Calvert County. In 1985, Adult Day Care of Calvert County was incorporated as a nonprofit organization, and in 1986 began serving elderly and disabled adults in a county donated building space. Adult Day Care of Calvert County has been providing structured adult day services of medical supervision, compassionate assistance, and community-based activities ever since. Today, Adult Day Care of Calvert County is licensed by the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) for adult medical day care, certified by the Maryland Department of Aging for Senior Center Plus, and continues to provide quality care to its participants, as well as relief for their primary caregivers. As a member of MAADS, the Maryland Association for Adult Day Services, Adult Day Care of Calvert County actively keeps current with industry updates and policy.

History of Adult Day Services:

Adult day services begin in psychiatric hospitals in the 1940s in England. Day service concept shifted from a single psychiatric focus to other health maintenance in the 60s, when centers began operation in states across the United States. In 1970, the first Adult Day Services Center opened in Maryland. In 1983, the first National Adult Day Care Center Week was recognized by Congress and proclaimed by former President Ronald Regan, and today a week in September is annually recognized as National Adult Day Services Week.

Our Mission:

The primary goal of Adult Day Care of Calvert County is to enhance and maintain the health, functional independence, and general well-being of frail elderly and disabled adults in Calvert County, through community based health care, nursing interventions, social and recreational programs, advocacy, and support services. The program will be administratively structured to provide these services to all eligible participants regardless of their financial status or ability to pay, without discrimination as to race, color, national origin, sex, religion, or handicapped condition.