

## Owner History- Avid Quality Care

### Company History:

Founded in December of 2010, Avid Quality Care is a licensed Medicaid HCS (Home and Community-Based Services) provider that works to enhance the quality of life for mentally challenged and autistic individuals and their families by focusing on their social, emotional, physical, and intellectual needs. Our philosophy is to provide high-quality services while placing emphasis on the options and choices for the individuals we serve. Our primary goal is to promote the highest level of independence. We employ experienced and caring professionals who are committed to ensuring that each individual and his or her family remains an integral part of a team. We provide both host home (formerly called foster care) and group home residential placement for individuals in the intellectually disabled community as well as coordinate and deliver their medical/therapeutic needs as appropriate.

Currently we have just under 100 individuals in our total program, between both of our HCS and Texas Home Living contracts, and have just opened our 11<sup>th</sup> group home in January of 2017 with two additional group homes already in the process of opening over the next few months.

We also operate a separate but related day habilitation program, named Caring Hands Dayhab, which many of our individuals attend to work on life skills while not in our residential homes. Approximately 50 individuals attend the program daily, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9a to 4p.

### Founder Bio/Information:

Hello, my name is Shelly Clark. My husband, Cody, and I opened Avid Quality Care in 2010. I was given the opportunity to get to know and work with an individual with IDD and a physical disability in the early 90's. That is when I discovered my true passion for individuals with special needs. I was given the opportunity to work with students as an intern in high school and then with special education students in the "Moving On Up" classroom with Carrollton-Farmers Branch Independent School District. In 2006, I moved to the Denton Independent School District and continued working with special education students. I was introduced to the HCS world in 2008 and have been blessed to have the opportunity to learn and grow every day! I also have the joy of being a mother to my 12-year-old daughter named Justice and my one-year-old daughter named Liberty. Avid and Caring Hands are family-owned companies so my girls are a huge part of that.

My name is Cody Clark, and I'm the Executive Director of Operations here at Avid. Prior to that, I was in law enforcement for approximately a decade as both a Detention and a Police Officer. I

have been around special needs individuals throughout my life, beginning with my uncle Dennis but also during my law enforcement career. I have been with Avid since September of 2013 on a full-time basis and currently maintain my Peace Officer's commission by reserving for a local law enforcement agency. I have really enjoyed my transition to Avid Quality Care, where I work with my lovely wife, the CEO, Shelly Clark.

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