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Since 1978, the University of Montana Rural Institute for Inclusive Communities has worked to improve the skills, abilities, and quality of life of people with disabilities in rural communities, including their families and those who serve and support them.

What we do
Rural Institute initiatives focus on promoting independence, productivity, integration and community inclusion in rural and frontier communities.

How we do it
1. Provide training of personnel who serve and educate individuals with disabilities and their families.
2. Conduct research and evaluation to assist people with disabilities to lead healthy, productive lives in their communities.
3. Offer community supports and services including training and technical assistance.
4. Disseminate information to improve the quality of life for people with disabilities and their families living in rural areas.
5. Leverage current funding sources by developing and submitting grant and contract applications, and recovering costs associated with the delivery of services.

In all we do
We involve stakeholders as advisors so activities are consumer-responsive, family-focused, and sensitive to the cultural heritage and values of people with disabilities and their families.

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