



Advocacy.

Another way MI-UCP is closing the disability divide.

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Let's close the disability divide.

Before she went to college and then began her career as a therapist, Lauren learned to stand up for herself and now she helps others.

At MI-UCP, we utilize a Person Centered Advocacy model to provide comprehensive supports for people with disabilities in becoming full participating members in their communities. That includes education, employment, recreation and core basic needs such as food, clothing and financial resources. MI-UCP Advocacy Program provides:

- *Assistance in applying for benefits*
- *Assistance in accessing community resources*
- *Referrals to appropriate agencies for services and funding*
- *Assist consumers and families to access special education services and develop plans which meet the educational needs of students*
- *Workshops for parents and professionals*

At MI-UCP, we believe everyone has the right to live to the best of their abilities and go as far as their ambitions will take them. Advocacy helped Lauren and now she is helping others to close the disability divide.

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