



Verland CLA

Business Profile for RCPA Mergers/Acquisitions/Affiliations Registry

1. Financial Tax ID classification

Verland CLA is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization.

2. History

The first Verland CLA (VCLA) homes were established in 1978. VCLA is a non-profit agency providing community-based services for adults with complex intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. VCLA currently consists of 48 Community Living Arrangements (CLA) homes serving approximately 115 individuals in many small communities, as well as four Adult Training Facilities.

VCLA homes provide a familial atmosphere while providing 24-hour supports to the individuals who reside in the home. Each home is centered on the unique needs of the individuals we serve. VCLA homes promote independence through the use of assistive technology, adaptive equipment, and ensuring homes meet the physical needs of each individual. VCLA provides an “Everyday Lives Lifestyle” with person-centered programming that is specific to each individual’s interests and needs. Highly trained Direct Support Professionals (DSPs) assure the health and safety of each individual and assist individuals in performing activities of daily living. VCLA DSPs accompany individuals on a variety of activities including bowling, shopping, movies, and dining out. VCLA also encourages individuals to participate in meaningful work through competitive employment, vocational training, and volunteer opportunities.

In addition to the adult Resident Services and Community Support Services, VCLA also qualifies to provide out-of-home Respite Care Services when vacancies are available in our group homes. VCLA can provide 31 days of Respite Care in a calendar year. In addition, an individual who is admitted under Respite Care can become a permanent resident, if he/she chooses to do so, and is compatible with the other individuals in the home.

3. Services

- Community Living Arrangements
- Intermediate Care Facilities
- Other Related Conditions

- Life Sharing
- Supported Living
- ATF/Day Program
- Community Participation Support
- Behavior Supports
- Respite Care

4. Service Geography

VCLA homes are located throughout Western Pennsylvania, spreading across Allegheny, Beaver, Fayette, Mercer, Washington and Venango Counties.

5. Why you want to be a part of Registry

For VCLA, strategic acquisition is not simply a growth strategy, it is a critical necessity. By carefully targeting acquisitions that align with its mission to provide exceptional care to as many as possible, Verland can enhance its service delivery, improve its operational efficiency, and ensure its long-term sustainability in the challenging and evolving IDD service landscape in PA. Proactive and well-planned acquisitions and or affiliations will enable Verland to continue providing exceptional, person-centered care to individuals with complex needs for years to come.

6. Your philosophy on MAA

Verland's mission is to "Provide exceptional care to as many as possible with intellectual, developmental, behavioral and complex medical needs as possible by attracting exceptional and compassionate people." Verland will be synonymous with EXCEPTIONALISM. We want to partner with providers who offer a broader diversity of service lines and share our passion for exceptionalism.

Strategic Acquisition Opportunities for Verland:

- **Acquiring Specialized Service Providers:** Targeting organizations with expertise in specific areas, Life Sharing, supported living, remote technologies, behavioral health, medical care, or vocational training, can enhance Verland's capacity to meet the diverse needs of its population.
- **Expanding Geographic Reach:** Focusing on a two hour driving radius from Sewickley PA but open to any opportunities in PA.
- **Integrating Technology and Data Management:** Acquiring organizations with advanced technology systems and data analytics capabilities can improve Verland's ability to track outcomes, manage resources, and comply with performance-based contract requirements.

- **Strengthening Staffing Capacity:** Acquiring organizations with established, well-trained staff can address Verland's staffing challenges and ensure continuity of care.
- **Acquiring organizations with complimentary services:** Acquiring organizations that provide remote services or transportation can strengthen Verland's ability to provide comprehensive care.

Benefits of Strategic Acquisition for Verland:

- **Enhanced Service Delivery:** Acquisitions can expand Verland's service capacity and expertise, enabling them to provide more comprehensive and specialized care to individuals with complex needs.
- **Improved Efficiency and Cost-Effectiveness:** Consolidating administrative functions, shared services, and purchasing power can reduce costs and improve operational efficiency.
- **Strengthened Financial Stability:** Diversifying revenue streams and expanding service offerings can enhance Verland's financial stability and reduce reliance on single funding sources.
- **Increased Advocacy Impact:** A larger, more influential organization can effectively advocate for the needs of individuals with complex IDD needs at the local, state, and federal levels.
- **Ensuring Long-Term Sustainability:** Strategic acquisitions can position Verland for long-term growth and success in the evolving IDD service landscape.
- **Protecting Verland's reputation:** Careful selection of acquisition targets will maintain and grow the reputation of Verland as a high-quality provider.

7. Previous MAA experience

As of May 2023, Verland assumed the provision of care of approximately 26 individuals with complex intellectual and physical disabilities at Polk State Center under a managed services agreement with the Commonwealth of PA. VCLA homes were subsequently built to house those individuals, and services are now provided to those individuals by VCLA.

VCLA purchased the assets of Triad Behavior Support Services, and those services were integrated into VCLA as of April 2026. The purchase included the purchase of three and lease of one Community Living Homes for adult individuals with intellectual disabilities or Autism. It also included assumption of Residential Behavior Support Services Contract Agreements serving approximately 150 individuals.

8. Other agencies you have partnered with

VCLA owns three Community Living Homes in partnership with The Branch (f/k/a Jewish Residential Services “JRS”). VCLA independently operates all three of those homes. VCLA and JRS (now n/k/a “The Branch”) first partnered in 2013 when JRS sought to establish culturally Jewish group homes to serve individuals in the Squirrel Hill community who required 24/7 support.

Erie Independence House-Verland admitted four ORC individuals who could no longer be cared for by EIH.

9. Types of Organizations you are looking to partner with

Those with five or more life sharing homes. Those with advanced remote supports, mental health rehabilitation, or early intervention. We are interested in providers with an innovative spirit and a passion for exceptionalism.