



Spokane Community College PACE Services RISK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

The staff at PACE Services recognizes and supports the right of people with disabilities to make their own choices and to have the opportunities for complete access to and inclusion in their communities. It is also recognized that with these rights, there may also be inherent risks.

In that PACE Services provides its services in community-based settings, and that our service model assumes an eventual fading of staff support, participants involved in these services may be exposed to such inherent risks.

In many cases, these risks are identical to those by anyone who experiences going to work or school each day and involve personal health, safety and well-being. In addition, experience has shown that people with disabilities may be more vulnerable to additional risks such as the possibility of harassment or manipulation by strangers, or getting lost or disorientated in the community. The signature of the participant or parent/legal guardian below signifies acknowledgement and acceptance of such risks.

It should be noted that all PACE students are supervised and/or supported by qualified staff during the times they are enrolled in PACE classes. In addition, students in community jobs are supported by staff until they, the employer and the PACE support person all agree that such support can be reduced and/or finished.

I have read and understand the above risk acknowledgement statement and have discussed any concerns with PACE staff.

Participant signature

Date

Parent/legal guardian signature

Date