

Theresa K. Hussman

Theresa K. Hussman is a Director of the Hussman Institute for Autism, a research institute established to improve the lives of individuals with autism and their families by advancing the understanding of causes and neurological basis of autism, identifying potential long term interventions, and creating a continuum of supports to address immediate needs for evidence-based teaching methods, communication, inclusion and independence. She is also the Project Coordinator for the Hussman Foundation. In this capacity, she conducts the review and processing of grants, coordinates and attends status meetings on existing and potential grants and partnerships, and represents the Foundation at charitable events.

Theresa is the parent of a young adult son with autism and in 2013 was appointed as an advisory member of the Howard County Transition Council for Youth with Disabilities. She also serves on the Board of the Light House Inc., a homelessness prevention organization in Annapolis Maryland, where she chairs its Program Committee. The Committee oversees job training, counseling and support services, skills development, and other programs to support the mission of ending the cycle of homelessness, and moving vulnerable individuals to self-sufficiency.

Prior to her work at the Hussman Foundation, she established a 27-year career at the Goddard Space Flight Center, where she worked as a Systems Analyst with particular focus on the development of administrative systems and processes. These activities included project management, process reengineering and change-management activities at both the Center and Agency levels at NASA.