

## **Mary Doody**

### **AIDS Community Resources - Volunteer Services**

Director of Volunteer Services at AIDS Community Resources, Inc. (ACR) for the past seventeen and a half years.

Currently also the coordinator of the Utica Safer Community Project for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning (LGBTQ) Youth and former coordinator of the Syracuse LGBTQ Youth Program from 1998 thru 2004.

As coordinator of the Safer Community Project, Mary recruits and orients volunteers to facilitate weekly support groups for youth ages 13 to 23, answers a hotline that supports youth, parents, teachers, counselors and other providers; and provides safe space workshops to group throughout the ACR's 9-county serve area.

She also was a member of the Transgender Housing Concerns Community Committee in the early 2000's which sponsored a focus group of youth. The focus group gave birth to the first upstate Transgender Youth Support Group.