

# Leader in Early Childhood Education Amy Aceto-Hitchinson of The Ivy Academy Recently Featured on Close Up Radio

SAINT CHARLES, IL, UNITED STATES, August 11, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Amy Aceto-Hitchinson, founder of the The Ivy Academy, an inspiring leader in the field of childcare education, is joining forces with Mario Nardioanni, a celebrated social worker, co founder of Arca Sanita by New Care Srl and part of I:Arcobalendeiragazzi Caira, who is based in Casino, Italy to launch Casa dell'amore e della speranza, a groundbreaking pilot initiative that will address long term care for adults with developmental and physical disabilities. This pilot venture promises to not only enrich the lives of disabled adults but to also redefine the narrative around care for the disabled communities by placing an emphasis on inclusion, compassion, and practical action.



## Embracing Inclusivity Amidst Challenges

The Ivy Academy, often confronted with prejudices questioning their support for immigrant and Hispanic communities, stands firm in its commitment to help anyone in need. Amy Aceto-Hitchinson, the academy's passionate founder, emphasizes the need for genuinely underserved populations to receive vital resources. Her mission is crystal clear: assist anyone who seeks help while advocating for the voiceless—whether they are children, seniors, or those with disabilities, all often overlooked by existing systems.

## Breaking Barriers: Community and Collaborative Responsibility

The significance of knowing and protecting community neighbors resonates deeply with Aceto-Hitchinson's philosophy at The Ivy Academy, as evidenced in her detailed awareness of neighborhood dynamics and security. This awareness will be mirrored in the planned residential projects in Italy, where community involvement and professional care combine to enhance life quality for each resident. According to Aceto-Hitchinson, the key is knowing your neighbors.

"The socioeconomic variances between communities can lead to higher crime rates; this is a fact. We are having an impact through community education with our parent education sector—through this effort, we are helping lower-income families understand the importance of meeting their neighbors, forming relationships and bonds, and establishing 'Neighborhood Watch' groups," explains Aceto-Hitchinson. "The importance of being part of a community is the key to the city. Knowing your neighbors can lead to a reduction in crime within a neighborhood."

### A Global Exchange of Solutions

In partnership with Mario Nardioanni, Aceto-Hitchinson is now targeting a pressing need in Italy's social adult and disabled care sector. "This is not merely a project; Casa dell'amore e della speranza is a mission," stresses Nardioanni. "We are working hard to establish fully integrated residential centers for adults with developmental disabilities and provide an enriching environment that aligns with community resources, such as the humane society, to develop a purposeful life for residents." The initial focus is a prospective facility located in Casino, a villa once seized from a mafia organization, that presents a new horizon of care and community integration.

### A Vision for Social Impact, Improving Lives

The Ivy Academy's purpose has never just been about providing daycare for children. It's about creating safer neighborhoods by channeling resources into child education and community support. As such, Aceto-Hitchinson has tirelessly worked towards instilling essential life skills, such as financial literacy (with a focus not on material wealth but on creating charitable access to education and community resources) among her staff and parents. This life-changing impact helps create effective societal change.

Casa dell'amore e della speranza complements this vision, emphasizing similar cultural challenges where family care traditions often neglect structured support systems for the disabled and elderly. The pilot project plans to dismantle social stigmas by providing a dignified, interactive living environment, fostering independence among adults previously marginalized by traditional systems.

Alignments with universities and professional sectors offer further opportunities for dynamic care approaches, allowing educators, therapists, and social workers to engage actively with residents, crafting a vibrant and supportive community space. Nardioanni and Aceto-Hitchinson

are relentless in their pursuit of sponsorships and collaborations that align with corporate social responsibility, providing companies with an avenue to positively impact lives while also enhancing their community presence.

### A Shared Mission: The Road Ahead

The timeline for the first ambitious roll out of Casa dell'amore e della speranza is set for late 2026, a milestone preceded by extensive groundwork in cultural transformation and financial planning. Regardless, Aceto-Hitchinson and Nardioanni remain undeterred, leveraging their uniquely complementary experiences to create pathways towards enhanced life quality and societal contribution. The Ivy Academy and Aceto-Hitchinson's pilot program in Casino embody the intertwined destinies of care industries, creating a harmonized future where hope, health, and opportunity converge.

### About The Ivy Academy

The Ivy Academy is a daring pioneer in early childhood education, fostering dynamic, inclusive learning environments that empower children and parents to uplift communities. It works tirelessly with parents and the community to create an environment that is safe and nurturing for all children, regardless of their backgrounds.

### About Arca Sanita by New Care Srl

Home health care at it's finest, care is designed to meet the needs of individuals and their families. Newcare's specialized staff provides all necessary care, constantly monitoring their health and ensuring appropriate physical and pharmacological therapy. Where the mission:

The patient is always at the center of our work: we aim to provide home care and treatment with professionalism, ethics, and dedication, developing services that are increasingly tailored to the patient's needs.

We are committed every day to improving the quality of life, allowing vulnerable individuals to live at home with their families, promoting their continued care through an Individual Care Plan (PAI), and reducing hospitalization.

### About Casa dell'amore e della speranza

Amy Aceto-Hitchinson and Mario Nardioanni have teamed up to spearhead Casa dell'amore e della speranza, a pilot program in Casino, Italy, dedicated to transforming care for adults with cognitive and motor disabilities through innovation and community integration, enhancing quality of life for seniors and disabled adults through compassionate and comprehensive support services.

Close Up Radio recently featured Amy Aceto-Hitchinson and Mario Nardioanni in a two-part interview with Jim Masters on Tuesday August 5th at 12pm EST and with Doug Llewelyn on Tuesday August 12th at 12pm EST

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