

**Goal Name: System Advocacy**

**Goal Description: Mission: People with disabilities in Ohio live independently and participate fully in their community.**

**Ohio IL Network will promote community-based living as the preferred living arrangement for persons with disabilities.**

**Objective 1**

(Housing): Ohio IL Network will participate in activities at the local, state, and/or federal level to increase affordable, accessible housing for persons with disabilities.

Measure/indicator: During FFY 2015, using information from the 704 reports, the IL network provided 921.75 of advocacy activities related to accessible and affordable housing at the local, state, and federal levels. During the 3 year period of the SPIL, these hours will increase by 2% each year.

**Objective 2**

Objective 2 (Community Supports/ Health Care): Ohio IL Network will advocate for and educate on expanded options and access to health care and community supports for persons with disabilities

Measure/indicator: During FFY 2015, using information from the 704 reports, the IL network provided 1,598.375 hours in advocacy activities related to community and supports/health care for persons with disabilities through participation in committees and coalitions at the local, state and federal levels. (Example, MyCare Ohio, Single Entry Point). During the 3 year period of the SPIL, these hours will increase by 2% each year.

**Objective 3**

Objective 3: Ohio IL Network will establish an internal advocacy taskforce to share best practices and ideas to reduce and/ or remove barriers to community-based living.

Measure/indicator: An Advocacy Taskforce will be formed in the first quarter of 2017, and will meet, most likely by teleconference, at least two times per year throughout the life of the SPIL. Annually, the Taskforce will issue its recommendations on best practices to reduce and/or remove barriers to community-based living. These recommendations will be shared with the relevant state parties.

**Objective 4**

Objective 4 (Transportation): Ohio IL Network will participate in activities at the local, state, and/or federal level that increase accessible and affordable transportation options for persons with disabilities.

Measure/indicator: During FFY 2015, using data from the 704 reports, the IL network provided 1002.25 hours participating in advocacy related to access to transportation for persons with disabilities through participation in committees and coalitions at the local, state, and federal levels. During the 3-year period of the SPIL, these hours will increase by 2% each year.