

Statewide Needs Assessment Planning Meeting

Crowne Plaza Columbus North - Worthington

6500 Doubletree Ave, Columbus, OH 43229

[Meeting Link](#)

October 19, 2021

1:00 – 3:00

1:00 Welcome and Introduction

1:10 Overview

- In Year 2 of this Plan, the State Plan Committee will create a workgroup to draft a Statewide Needs Assessment Survey. The Survey will be combined with relevant data and information that will be utilized in the development of the following State Plan for Independent Living. The Survey will be distributed to the public prior to Year 3 of this plan.

1:15 Discussion of Last Statewide Needs Assessment Process

- Last survey was two different surveys in one. Individuals with disabilities were given an expanded list of questions on each of the following topics:
 - o Housing
 - o Transportation
 - o Healthcare
 - o Employment
 - o Community Participation
- Professionals, family, friends and other individuals were given a shorter survey
- Goal was to obtain more feedback from individuals with disabilities on the relevant topics with additional info from the broader respondents.
- Focus was on key topics related to community-based living

1:30 Discussion of focus for upcoming Needs Assessment

- Continue with topic focus
- Highlight need for specific Independent Living Services
- Measure need of overall CIL services
- Other topics and focus areas

2:30 Develop plan moving forward

- Assembling workgroup
- Setting deadlines for drafting questions
- Goal to prepare draft for SILC Committees to review in January 2022 meetings

SPIL Timelines

2020 - 2021

October – December 2020 – Draft Statewide Needs Assessment

February – April 2022 – Distribute Needs Assessment

May – July 2022 – Analyze Needs Assessment

June – August 2022 – Community Public input gathering sessions

September – December 2022 – SPIL Writing Group meets

2023

January – February 2023 – Prepare final draft of SPIL

March – April 2023 – Public Comment period

May 2023 – Public forum on final draft

May 2023 – SPIL Committee final recommendations

May 2023 – SILC Vote to Approve SPIL/Chairperson Approval to sign

June 30, 2023 – New SPIL must be submitted by this date

Statewide Needs Assessment

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Demographics

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5. If you are a person with a disability, what is your disability? Check all that apply

Physical / Mobility

Deaf / Hard of Hearing

Intellectual / Cognitive

Mental / Emotional

Vision

None

Other (please specify)

6. What race do you identify with?

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- Black or African American
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- Asian or Asian American
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Housing

The following questions relate to the housing needs of people with disabilities in Ohio.

1. What type of housing is your current living situation?

- Independent/Alone
- With a caregiver
- With spouse/family
- In nursing home
- Other (please specify)
- In Group Home
- In other institution
- Homeless
- In Assisted Living

2. Does your current housing situation meet your needs? Please explain

3. What changes in housing would help you live more independently? Check all that apply.

- Less Expensive
- Improved physical accessibility (ramps or other home modifications)
- Living in a different area/community
- Living in a different type of housing
- Other (please specify)

Transportation

The following questions relate to the transportation needs of people with disabilities in Ohio

1. What is your primary means of transportation?

- Drive yourself
- Taxi/ride share (Uber, Lyft)
- Public Transit/Para Transit
- Other (please specify)
- Family/Friends
- Community organizations
- Unable to find transportation

2. Are you happy with your current transportation? Please explain

3. What changes in transportation would you to live more independently? Check all that apply

- Accessible taxi/ride share
- Accessible Public Transportation
- Accessible personal vehicle / vehicle modification
- More affordable transportation options
- Other (please specify)
- Expanded hours/service
- Better understanding of what transportation options are available
- Transportation options to more locations
- Safe, accessible public rights of way such as sidewalks, timing of traffic lights, snow removal at bus stops

Healthcare

The following are questions about the healthcare and community based supports for individuals with disabilities in Ohio

1. Do you feel your current healthcare services meets your needs? Please explain

2. Do you currently use any community based supports that help you maintain a healthy lifestyle? These can include services that help maintain independence in the community

Yes

No

3. What community supports do you utilize?

4. What do you feel are the greatest barriers to receiving healthcare services? Check all that apply

Affordability of services

Understanding how to access services/supports

Access to services (transportation, accessibility to transportation, etc)

Lack of accommodation services (Interpreters, exam tables, mammograms, dentist chairs, etc)

Unable to find services

Other (please specify)

5. What do you feel are the greatest barriers to using community based services and programs? Check all that apply

- Affordability of services
- Understanding how to access services/supports
- Access to services (transportation, accessibility to transportation, etc)
- Lack of accommodation services (Interpreters, exam tables, mammograms, dentist chairs, etc)
- Lack of providers
- Lack of consumer directed options
- Unable to find services
- Other (please specify)

6. How do you rate your health in the last 6 months?

- Very Good
- Good
- Neutral
- Poor
- Very Poor

Employment

The following questions relate to the employment needs and options of people with disabilities in Ohio

1. Are you currently employed?

Yes

No

2. How do you feel about your current employment situation?

I am satisfied with my current employment

I am not satisfied with my current employment

I am unemployed but seeking employment

I am unemployed and not seeking employment

Other (please specify)

3. What are the greatest barriers to employment for people with disabilities? Check all that apply

- Training/Education
- Lack of previous experience
- Lack of transportation
- Need assistive technology or other supports
- Difficulty looking for or preparing for jobs
- Employer, co-worker and public attitudes of hiring people with disabilities
- Fear of losing benefits
- Lack of family support
- Fear
- Lack of Personal Care Assistance (PCA) services
- Accessibility
- Other (please specify)

Community Participation

The following questions are about how people access and participate in their communities

1. Do you feel that you have the ability to fully participate in the community to the fullest extent you would like?

Yes

No

2. What issues or barriers prevent individuals from full participation in their communities?

3. Would you like the opportunity to have training to become a stronger advocate for yourself?

Yes

No

4. Do you know of any current opportunities to become a stronger self advocate?

Yes

No

If yes, please specify

Independent Living Services

The following are questions relating to the service needs of people with disabilities.

1. How important are the following services for you to live independently?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important	N/A
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Other (please specify)

2. Have you ever received services from a Center for Independent Living?

Yes

No

1. Are you aware of any populations or groups of people that are unserved or underserved in your community?

2. Additional Comments/Concerns

3. Would you be willing to advocate for any of the topics below? Check all that apply

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4. If you said yes to being willing to advocate for any of the areas on this survey, please provide your contact information so we can discuss further with you.

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Barriers and Community Needs

1. Housing - What barriers do you believe exist for individuals with disabilities in housing? Check all that apply

- Lack of affordable housing options
- Lack of accessible housing options
- Availability of housing in various areas
- Different options for housing
- Eviction record
- Family
- Family and peer pressure
- Criminal record
- Substance abuse history
- Other (please specify)

2. Transportation - What barriers do you believe exist for people with disabilities in accessing transportation? Check all that apply

- Lack of accessible private transportation options
- Lack of accessible public transportation
- Lack of access to get to public transportation (no curb cuts, broken sidewalks, no snow removal, etc)
- Obtaining or modifying own vehicle
- Affordability of transportation options
- Limits of service hours and where service is available
- Lack of understanding about transportation options
- Other (please specify)

3. Employment - What barriers do you believe exist for individuals with disabilities in finding and maintaining employment? Check all that apply

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4. Healthcare - What barriers do you believe exist in individuals with disabilities receiving healthcare services? Check all that apply

- Affordability of services
- Understanding how to access services/supports
- Access to services (transportation, accessibility, etc)
- Unable to find services meeting their needs
- Lack of accommodation (Interpreters, accessible exam tables, dentist chairs, mammogram, etc)
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5. Community Supports - What barriers do you believe exist in individuals with disabilities receiving community supports and services? Check all that apply

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