

Part I – Agency Profile

Agency Overview

The Idaho State Independent Living Council's (SILC) mission is to promote the independent living philosophy for all Idahoans with disabilities: choice, self-determination and access for all. The Council is controlled and directed by Idahoans with disabilities.

The Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1992 were signed into law by President George Bush on October 30, 1992, requiring the establishment of State Independent Living Councils. Idaho's SILC was created by Governor Cecil Andrus by Executive Order 93-01 on May 28, 1993. The Idaho SILC became an independent governmental entity as required by Section 704 of the Rehabilitation Act with the passage of House Bill 711 on July 1, 2005. The Council is made up of 17-24 volunteers who are regional representatives, a minimum of 51% of whom are people from across the disability spectrum who do not work for a state agency or a Center for Independent Living (CIL); family members of and service providers for people with disabilities, and ex-officio members from the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, the Department of Health and Welfare – Medicaid, the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Idaho Commission on Aging. Council membership is appointed by the Governor. The SILC is the only statewide cross disability organization in Idaho with membership made up by a majority of people with disabilities from across the state, serving Idahoans across disabilities and lifespan.

Council members hire and direct the SILC Executive Director, who in turn, manages the day-to-day operation of the SILC. SILC staff comprises four full time employees. The SILC has one office that is in Boise. On-going council activities are directed by the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL). This federally mandated plan is developed every three years and sets the goals and objectives of the organization. The Council meets quarterly with meeting dates prescheduled annually. All meetings are open to the public in accessible locations. Meetings include ASL interpreters and materials are provided in multiple formats. The SILC often partners with state and local agencies, advocacy organizations and nonprofits to effect positive systems change.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act of 2014 (WIOA), signed into law by President Obama on July 22, 2014, transferred the Independent Living Services and Centers for Independent Living programs funded under title VII, Chapter 1 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended by WIOA (P.L. 113-128)(Rehabilitation Act) from the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA), U.S. Department of Education, to the Administration for Community Living (ACL), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The transfer of the Independent Living (IL) programs aligns with the mission of ACL to maximize the independence, well-being and health of individuals with disabilities across the lifespan. The transition from RSA to ACL commenced immediately. The 2017-2019 SPIL amended and extended for 2020 and approved by ACL reflects subtle changes resulting from WIOA. Additional adjustments have been made to the 2021-2023 SPIL which was submitted to ACL in June 2020 and to be implemented October 1, 2020 pending ACL approval.

Idaho SILC revenue comes from Federal WIOA, Title VII, Subpart B, and Title I Section 101(a)(18)(A)(ii)(II) Innovation and Expansion state grants, administered by the Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (IDVR), State General Fund appropriations, interest accrual, revenue received from grants, contractual projects and limited fundraising. Small grants from the Idaho Home Choice – Money Follows the Person project through the Division of Health and Welfare, Medicaid Bureau of Long Term Care; and the Aging and Disability Resource Center, No Wrong Door project, in partnership with Medicaid and the Idaho Commission on Aging both concluded in 2017 with no further activity.

The SILC actively engages in statewide activities that assist in providing Idahoans with disabilities a greater voice in obtaining services that are consumer-directed, cost-effective and community based. Every three years, the SILC collaborates with the CILs to conduct a statewide assessment to collect input from constituents for development of the three-year SPIL. The core functions of the SILC are specific to both the federal mandates and Idaho Code and are the rationale behind the SPIL.

Core Functions/Idaho Code

Federal and state mandates (29 U.S.C. section 796d(c) and 34 CFR 364.21) require the SILC to: 1) Develop, sign and submit, in conjunction with the IDVR and the ICBVI, the SPIL for people with disabilities. SILC must monitor, review, and evaluate the implementation of the SPIL.

2) Support the centers for independent living (CILs) and advocate for independent living (IL) services provided through state and federal programs for people with disabilities. 3) Gather and disseminate information, conduct studies and analyses, develop model policies, conduct training on IL philosophy, and work to expand and improve IL services. Additionally, Chapter 12, Title 56, Idaho Code, requires the SILC to 1) assess the need for services for Idahoans with disabilities and advocate with decision makers. 2) Supervise and evaluate such staff as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the council. 3) Ensure that all regularly scheduled meetings of the council are open to the public and that sufficient advance notice of meetings is provided pursuant to the open meeting law. 4) Prepare reports and make recommendations, as necessary. 5) Perform other activities the council deems necessary to increase the ability of Idahoans with disabilities to live independently. 6) Promulgate rules, as may be necessary in compliance with Chapter 52, Title 67, Idaho Code.

WIOA replaces the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and retains and amends the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, the Wagner-Peyser Act, and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Under WIOA, SEC. 474. STATE PLAN, Section 704 (29 U.S.C. 796c) regarding future SPIL development and implementation is amended as follows:

(A) developed by the chairperson of the Statewide Independent Living Council, and the directors of the centers for independent living in the State, after receiving public input from individuals with disabilities and other stakeholders throughout the State; and

(B) Signed by--

(i) the chairperson of the Statewide Independent Living Council, acting on behalf of and at the direction of the Council;

(ii) the director of the designated State entity described in subsection (c); and

(iii) not less than 51 percent of the directors of the centers for independent living in the state;

(o) Promoting Full Access to Community Life - The plan shall describe how the State will provide independent living services described in section 7(18) that promote full access to community life for individuals with significant disabilities.

Legislative Text:

SEC. 475. STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL.

Section 705 (29 U.S.C. 796d) is amended--

(c) Functions-

(1) DUTIES- The Council shall--

(A) develop the State plan as provided in section 704(a)(2);

(B) monitor, review, and evaluate the implementation of the State plan;

(C) meet regularly, and ensure that such meetings of the Council are open to the public and sufficient advance notice of such meetings is provided;

(D) submit to the Administrator such periodic reports as the Administrator may reasonably request, and keep such records, and afford such access to such records, as the Administrator finds necessary to verify the information in such reports; and

(E) as appropriate, coordinate activities with other entities in the State that provide services similar to or complementary to independent living services, such as entities that facilitate the provision of or provide long-term community-based services and supports.

(2) AUTHORITIES- The Council may, consistent with the State plan described in section 704, unless prohibited by State law--

(A) in order to improve services provided to individuals with disabilities, work with centers for independent living to coordinate services with public and private entities;

(B) conduct resource development activities to support the activities described in this subsection or to support the provision of independent living services by centers for independent living; and

(C) perform such other functions, consistent with the purpose of this chapter and comparable to other functions described in this subsection, as the Council determines to be appropriate.

Revenue and Expenditures

Revenue	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
State General Funds	\$124,100	\$214,700	\$215,709	\$208,999
State Grants/Contributions	\$223,419	\$232,291	\$229,552	\$246,380
Federal Grants/Contributions	\$4,680	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Revenue	0	0	0	0
ARRA Stimulus Funds	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	\$352,199	\$446,991	\$445,261	\$455,379
Expenditures	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	
Personnel Costs	\$279,150	\$290,675	\$280,635	\$292,853
Operating Expenditures	\$128,064	\$139,510	\$163,957	\$148,320
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0
Trustee/Benefit Payments	\$1,530	0	0	0
ARPA Expenditures	\$0	0	0	0
TOTAL	\$408,744	\$430,185	\$444,592	\$441,173

Profile of Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided

Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Federal Requirements				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop (including statewide assessment), Sign, and Submit the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) in collaboration with IDVR and ICBVI 2014 under Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) and the Centers for Independent Living 2016 - Monitor the 2014-16 SPIL at least quarterly and provide review at public meetings - Develop (including statewide assessment), Sign, and Submit FFY 2017-19 SPIL in collaboration with IDVR, ICBVI and the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Developed, signed and submitted the FFY 2017-19 to the ACL -Submitted technical amendments to the 2017-19 SPIL as required by ACL. - Monitored the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) SILC at quarterly business meetings: July, October, January and May. - SPIL progress monitored by SILC staff monthly. - Expectations met. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monitored the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) at quarterly business meetings: July, October, January and April. - SPIL progress monitored by SILC staff monthly. - Initiated statewide assessment planning group for SFY19 statewide assessment. - Expectations met. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monitored the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) at quarterly business meetings: July, October, January and April. - SPIL progress monitored by SILC staff monthly. - Statewide assessment: 15 public meetings in 13 communities + 3 high schools for a total of 270 participants. Electronic and hard copy surveys in large print, braille and Spanish – 320 submitted. - Review and analyze statewide assessment combined with demographic and regional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monitored the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) at quarterly business meetings: July, October, January and April. - SPIL progress monitored by SILC staff monthly. SPIL development: a one year amended and extended SPIL prepared, signed and submitted July 2019. - Technical amendments to the SPIL related to the Coronavirus health emergency submitted April 24. Approved by ACL May 15. -2021-2023 SPIL developed, signed and submitted to ACL June 22. Awaiting approval for

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<p>Centers for Independent Living (CILs) during SFY 2016-17 to the Administration on Community Living</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monitor the FFY 2017-19 SPIL at least quarterly and provide review at public meetings. - Monitor the FFY 2020 amended, extension of the 2017-2019 SPIL at least quarterly, providing review in public meetings. Amend as needed related to the Coronavirus health emergency. 			<p>information, finalizing reports and submission to full council and public.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SPIL development: a one year amended and extended SPIL prepared for submission prior to July 31, 2019 deadline. (Final work completed in July - SFY2020). - Expectations met 	<p>implementation October 1, 2020.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expectations met
<p>Support three Idaho Centers for Independent Living (CILs).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completed contract with the CILs & Medicaid to complete Quality of Life surveys 09/30/16. Three residents discharged into the community during the final three months of the contract. - Supported CIL, regional Independent Living (IL) conference (September 2016), near Moscow. - Developed, mentored, coordinated and supported CIL youth activities through the SILC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supported CIL, regional Independent Living (IL) conference (September 2017), in Idaho Falls. - Developed, mentored, coordinated and supported CIL youth activities through the SILC Youth Advisory Committee. - Provided outreach and IL education to underserved areas in support of CIL activities and services. - Developed and provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supported CIL, regional Independent Living (IL) conference (September 2018) in Boise. - Developed, mentored, coordinated and supported CIL youth activities through the SILC Youth Advisory Committee. - Provided outreach and IL education to underserved areas in support of CIL activities and services, targeting youth in underserved areas. - Provided organizational 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supported CIL, regional Independent Living (IL) conference (September 2019) in Worley. - Provided outreach and IL education to underserved areas in support of CIL activities and services, targeting youth in underserved areas. -Mentored, coordinated and supported CIL youth activities through the SILC Youth Advisory Committee. -Coordinated Idaho Youth Leadership Forum, sponsoring 12 delegates from

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	<p>Youth Advisory Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided outreach and IL education to underserved areas in support of CIL activities and services. 	<p>organizational emergency preparedness training to CIL staff.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expectations met. 	<p>emergency preparedness training to CIL staff and provided scholarships for four staff from two CILs to attend Western States Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) conference in Meridian, ID, April 2019.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expectations met. 	<p>rural and frontier regions of Idaho to travel and participate in YLF at BSU, Boise.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided ongoing emergency preparedness training and collaborative opportunities to CIL staff. - Actively disseminated federal and state information and resources related to the Coronavirus health emergency to people with disabilities and their families. <p>- Expectations met.</p>
<p>Advocate for Independent Living Services.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Met with and provided information to policymakers on the impacts to individuals with disabilities due to Medicaid service restrictions and proposed cuts. - Provided detailed, written input on HCBS waiver rule changes; potential Medicaid restrictions; and Non-emergency Medical Transport (NEMT) contract; testified against legislation potentially harmful toward the disability community; and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Met with and provided information to policymakers on the impacts to individuals with disabilities due to Medicaid service restrictions, reimbursement rates and potential cuts. - Provided detailed, written input on HCBS waiver rule changes; potential Medicaid restrictions; and Non-emergency Medical Transport (NEMT) contract; testified about legislation potentially harmful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Met with and provided information to policymakers on the impacts to individuals with disabilities due to Medicaid service restrictions, reimbursement rates and potential cuts. - Provided detailed, written input on HCBS proposed waiver rule changes; both potential Medicaid improvements and restrictions; and supported partner agencies and organizations efforts toward greater community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As a member of the State of Idaho Medical Advisory Committee (SIDMAC), provided written and verbal input during the development and implementation of the state Crisis Standards of Care (CSC). - Participated in multiple Medicaid workgroups focused on the response to the Coronavirus health emergency. Identified areas of concern: PPE for home care providers, testing in congregate facilities, safe nonemergency medical

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	<p>supported partner agencies and organizations efforts toward greater community inclusion for people with disabilities, across lifespan.</p>	<p>toward the disability community; and supported partner agencies and organizations efforts toward greater community inclusion for people with disabilities, across lifespan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Through participation with stakeholder groups, provided input on proposed rule changes for the Extended Employment Services (EES) program administered by the Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. - Through participation with stakeholder group, provided detailed written and verbal input around potential inappropriate application of IDHW rules in the Medicaid for Workers with Disabilities program. - Provided written and verbal concerns to policy makers and workgroups related to affordable, accessible 	<p>inclusion for people with disabilities, across lifespan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Through participation with stakeholder group, provided input on potential changes to the Extended Employment Services (EES) program administered by the Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. - Through participation with stakeholder group, provided detailed written and verbal input regarding inappropriate application of IDHW rules in the Medicaid for Workers with Disabilities program, including plans for correction. - Provided written and verbal concerns to policy makers and workgroups related to affordable, accessible housing issues across Idaho. - Provided written and verbal input regarding the inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of emergency 	<p>transportation, continued use of congregate work settings during the health emergency and rising deaths in facilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Met with and provided information to policymakers on the impacts to individuals with disabilities due to Medicaid service restrictions, reimbursement rates and potential cuts. - Provided detailed, written input on HCBS proposed waiver rule changes; both potential Medicaid improvements and restrictions; and supported partner agencies and organizations efforts toward greater community inclusion for people with disabilities, across lifespan. - Through participation with stakeholder group, provided input on potential changes to the Extended Employment Services (EES) program administered by the Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. - Through participation with

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		housing issues across Idaho. - Expectations met.	preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery to appropriate local and state agencies as well as volunteer organizations. - Expectations met.	stakeholder group, provided detailed written and verbal input regarding the appropriate application of IDHW rules in the Medicaid for Workers with Disabilities. Issues resolved in rule. - Provided written and verbal concerns to policy makers and workgroups related to affordable, accessible housing issues across Idaho, especially during the Coronavirus health emergency. - Provided written and verbal input regarding the inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of emergency preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery to appropriate local, state and federal agencies as well as volunteer organizations. - Expectations met.
Conduct Studies and Analysis	- Participated in providing detailed review & analysis of Medicaid NEMT contract, collaborating with stakeholders and Medicaid staff in an effort to resolve concerns.	- Participated in providing detailed review & analysis of concerns related to the Southwest Idaho Treatment Center, collaborating with stakeholders, policy makers, the Office of Performance	- Reviewed and provided analysis of emergency management systems and practices across the state, with a focus on counties, regarding impact and inclusion of people with disabilities.	-Reviewed, analyzed and development of accessible testing strategies in collaboration with NW-ADA and Central District Health. -Reviewed, analyzed, developed and disseminated plain language information

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reviewed and provided written analysis of emergency management systems and practices across the state regarding impact and inclusion of people with disabilities. - Reviewed, provided written analysis of, and participated in IDHW meetings and hearings related to the creation of a secure treatment facility for people with a dual diagnosis. - Completed partnership with ICOA facilitation of No Wrong Door (NWD) project to determine feasibility of project. (contract concluded 09/30/17) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluations and IDHW staff in an effort to resolve concerns. - Reviewed and provided written analysis of emergency management systems and practices across the state, with a focus on counties, regarding impact and inclusion of people with disabilities. - Reviewed, provided written analysis of, and participated in IDHW meetings related to new rules for Idaho hospitals. Reviewed and provided written input at the Federal level in support of the continuation of the Idaho Home Choice-Money Follows the Person (administered by IDHW-Medicaid), Empowering Care Act. - Expectations met. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reviewed and provided verbal feedback to IDHW, SWITC transformation team. - Reviewed and provided written input at the Federal level in support of the National Housing Trust Fund and various Medicaid programs. - Reviewed and provided written analysis of Ada County ADA transition plan. - Conducted ongoing analysis of statewide affordable, accessible housing shortage, collaborating with partner organizations and consulting elected officials from the local to the national level. - Expectations met 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> about mask types, use of each type. Correct application verified in consultation with health departments and FEMA. -Conducted ongoing review analysis of emergency management systems and practices across the state, with a focus on counties and health districts, regarding impact and inclusion of people with disabilities. -Conducted ongoing analysis of statewide affordable, accessible housing shortages as related to transitioning people from facilities back to their communities, collaborating with partner organizations and consulting elected officials from the local to the national level. - Expectations met
Participate in and lead, regional & local Workgroups related to the following: transportation	- Continued participation and leadership in national, state, and local workgroups focused on	- Continued participation and leadership in national, state, and local workgroups	- Continued participation and leadership in national, state, and local workgroups focused on the	- Coordinated statewide weekly (March – April) Access and Functional Needs (AFN) meetings in

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<p>opportunities for people with disabilities; ADA Training; Employer Training; Fair Housing; Legislature 101; the intersection of disability and abuse, financial literacy and emergency preparedness.</p>	<p>employment, housing, community access, medical and transportation barriers and solutions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided community trainings on disability awareness and history, housing, employment and relevant laws. - Collaborated with the Idaho Health Department, County emergency managers and volunteer organizations in related emergency mitigation, management and recovery activities for people with disabilities and their families. 	<p>focused on employment, housing, community access, medical and transportation barriers and solutions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided community trainings on disability awareness and history, financial literacy, ABLE accounts, emergency preparedness, housing, employment and relevant laws. - Collaborated with the Idaho Health Departments, County emergency managers and volunteer organizations in related emergency mitigation, management and recovery activities for people with disabilities and their families. - Established the Idaho Inclusive Emergency Coalition. The group is made up of a majority of people with disabilities from across the state and includes leaders from the 	<p>following: employment, housing, community access, medical and transportation barriers/solutions, ABLE savings and emergency preparedness, education/training and employment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided community trainings on disability awareness and history, financial literacy, ABLE accounts, emergency preparedness, housing, youth involvement, employment and relevant laws. - Collaborated with the Idaho Health Departments, County emergency managers and volunteer organizations in relation to emergency mitigation, planning, response and recovery activities for people with disabilities and their families. - Continued the work of the Idaho Inclusive Emergency Coalition. – <p>Expectations met.</p>	<p>collaboration with state and local emergency planners and providers. Group exchange of information, issues and resources related to the Coronavirus health emergency.</p> <p>May 2020 – present The SILC transitioned the AFN, resuming biweekly meetings of the Idaho Inclusive Emergency Coalition sharing information and resources. The group is made up of people with disabilities and responders focused on developing actionable materials and resources to address barriers for people with disabilities and their families during the Coronavirus health emergency.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided community trainings on disability awareness and history, financial literacy, ABLE accounts, emergency preparedness, housing, youth involvement, employment and relevant laws. - Collaborated with the Idaho Health Departments, County emergency

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		Red Cross and county emergency managers. - Expectations met.		managers and volunteer organizations in relation to emergency mitigation, planning, response and recovery activities for people with disabilities and their families.

Red Tape Reduction Act

Each agency shall incorporate into its strategic plan a summary of how it will implement the Red Tape Reduction Act, including any associated goals, objectives, tasks, or performance targets. This information may be included as an addendum.

	As of July 1, 2019	As of July 1, 2020
Number of Chapters	N/A	N/A
Number of Words	N/A	N/A
Number of Restrictions	N/A	N/A

Title 56 §1204(6) grants within the Idaho State Independent Living Council the ability to: *Promulgate rules as may be necessary, in compliance with chapter 52, title 67 Idaho Code.* The Idaho SILC has thus far, not promulgated rules. It is the Council’s intention to continue operations without adding rules where none are needed.

FY 2020 Performance Highlights

The SILC and our partners quickly pivoted to amend the 2020 State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) in response to the Coronavirus health emergency. The amendments, impacting the remainder of the FFY ending September 30, 2020, were approved by the Administration on Community Living (ACL) in May, allowing the SILC and the Centers for Independent Living (CILs) to redirect resources and quickly respond to the evolving needs of Idahoans with disabilities. During the same time period, the 2021-2023 SPIL was completed and submitted to ACL in mid-June. The SILC is awaiting ACL approval for implementation October 1, 2020.

In 2016, the Idaho SILC piloted work with state, local and federal emergency planners/responders and non-profit partners. From that work, the SILC successfully launched the Idaho Inclusive Emergency Coalition (IIEC) in 2018 to engage emergency planners, health departments, Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) and people with disabilities as we worked to reduce barriers to inclusion and increase community preparedness. The IIEC has proven an invaluable resource, meeting twice a month through late winter of 2020, fostering understanding between emergency personnel and people with disabilities and their families. When the Coronavirus health emergency struck, the IIEC, in collaboration with the Idaho Office of Emergency Management and Ada County Emergency Management stood up the statewide Access and Functional Needs (AFN) workgroup to determine areas of greatest need, share resources and identify solutions. The SILC hosted virtual weekly AFN meetings through the end of May. Given that AFN includes more than disability, we worked with the IOEM to transition back to and resume bi-monthly IIEC meetings. The IIEC identified and is tackling three specific areas impacting the disability community during the current emergency: housing, transportation and mental health. Additionally, the group works to identify emerging issues related to the Coronavirus health emergency and other

localized emergency concerns, such as wildfires. State, local and federal partners continue to participate in meetings that are largely made up of people with disabilities and their family members. The IIEC is solution oriented, drafting plain language documents for our communities and influencing program managers as we work together to remove barriers during the current health emergency and localized emergency situations.

The SILC coordinated the Idaho Youth Leadership Forum (IDYLF) in which youth leaders with disabilities from across Idaho travel to Boise for six days of leadership training that includes: disability history, civics, educational/training/career exploration and more. We had 12 delegates participate in July of SFY 2020. Delegates for 2018, 2019 and 2020 were primarily from rural to very rural parts of Idaho. The Idaho SILC staff collaborated closely with our partners from the CILs, the Idaho Department of Labor, the Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and other community organizations. The second 2020 YLF was cancelled for June 2020 due to the Coronavirus health emergency. Due to a reduction in SILC resources and changes made in the 2021-23 SPIL, the CILs will be focusing on local youth programs with potential regional YLF programs in the coming years. The SILC will no longer coordinate IDYLF events.

Part II – Performance Measures

Performance Measure		FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Goal 1						
Assess the need for services for Idahoans with disabilities and advocate with decision makers.						
1. Develop, conduct and review statewide needs assessment public meetings at least every three years - used in conjunction with electronic surveys to develop the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL)	actual	4	4	17	4	-----
	target	4 quarterly reviews of additional input	4 quarterly reviews of additional input	10 Statewide mtgs	4 quarterly reviews of additional input	4 quarterly reviews of additional input
2. Review SPIL for effectiveness and emerging issues at quarterly in SILC public meetings	actual	4	4	4	4	-----
	target	4 Mtg rvws	4 Mtg rvws	4 Mtg rvws	4 Mtg rvws	4 Mtg rvws
Goal 2						
Support the Centers for Independent Living and advocate for Independent Living services provided through state and federal programs.						
3. Contract with Medicaid and the CILs for the provision of Quality of Life Surveys aiding transition from institutions to community	actual	3	-----	-----	-----	-----
	target	5 transitions, contract expired 9/30/16	Replaced with objective #4	Replaced with objective #4	Replaced with objective #4	Replaced with objective #4
4. Coordinate with the CILs to establish and support local and statewide youth and young adult Independent Living programs and activities.	actual	7	15	15	13	-----
	target	4 statewide activities	7 statewide activities	15 statewide activities	15 statewide activities	Replaced with objective #5
5. Coordinate with the CILs to increase participation of people with disabilities in state and local emergency planning activities.	actual	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	target	Objective #5 replaces #4 for 2021	Objective #5 replaces #4 for 2021	Objective #5 replaces #4 for 2021	Objective #5 replaces #4 for 2021	11 people
Goal 3						
Conduct training to people with disabilities and stakeholders on Independent Living (IL) philosophy and work to expand and improve IL services.						
	actual	21	53	26	12	-----

Performance Measure		FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
6. Provide training on employment, healthcare, housing and transportation options; and community safety, resources, participation and integration, including relevant laws, policies and rules that affect people with disabilities	<i>target</i>	15 trainings	20 trainings	25 trainings	25 trainings	15 trainings
Goal 4						
Collaborate with disability service agencies/organizations and other stakeholders; advocating for expanded and improved Independent Living opportunities and services for Idahoans with disabilities across.						
7. Participate in existing, or initiate new, workgroups, committees and councils/boards to provide reports, data and policy guidance toward improving employment, education, training, housing, health care coverage and community access and safety opportunities	<i>actual</i>	13	14	14	15	-----
	<i>target</i>	8	12	12	12	12
8. Provide written testimony and/or policy review to successfully aid in the implementation of policies/laws that positively impact Idahoans with disabilities at the local, state and national level	<i>actual</i>	9	10	10	11	-----
	<i>target</i>	6	6	10	10	10

Performance Measure Explanatory Notes

Performance Measure 1:

Performance measure #1 is a combined process of information gathering methods for the statewide needs assessment, used in the development of the Idaho State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) as well as the SILC’s annual strategic plan. Due to unforeseen implementation issues at the federal level, ACL required all SILCs to extend their FFY2017-19 SPIL for one year for FFY2020 SPIL. The Idaho SILC had already expended significant resources to complete the statewide assessment September – October 2018; thus, like many other states opted to also amend the 2020 SPIL with substantial and material changes. The 2020 amended, extension was approved with additional amendments mid-year to address the needs of the Coronavirus health emergency. The 2021-23 SPIL was submitted in June 2020 and is awaiting ACL approval. The assessment (conducted every three-years and reviewed quarterly) is required by Federal and State mandates. The SILC meets at least quarterly to review, monitor and potentially revise the SPIL as needs warrant.

Performance Measure 3:

The SILC administered the contract from which funds pass through from the Medicaid – Money Follows the Person program to the Centers for Independent Living for the completion of Quality of Life Surveys. Participants are surveyed prior to community transition, 11 months after the first survey and again 24 months from the date of the first survey. The numbers provided in the performance measure indicate people who successfully transitioned from institutions to the community during the SFY. Quality of Life Surveys completed through the CILs were completed by September 30, 2016 with 3 transitions back to the community. The contract ended 09/30/2016. The program was successful, transitioning to a sustainable Medicaid fee for service activity in January 2017. Performance measure 3 was replaced by performance measure 4 in 2017. Performance measure 3 will drop off the 2021.

Performance Measure 4:

Statewide activities include: Recruit, retain and mentor 1-2 young adults as Gubernatorial appointed SILC members, recruit and support Youth Advisory Council (YAC) members (up to 12),

coordinate and support YAC monthly calls, coordinate statewide community service learning projects in the form of contests with prizes, the provision of youth IL workshops at a statewide youth conference, training and supporting youth to attend a National youth conference and coordination of a statewide youth leadership forum which emphasizes civic responsibility, education/training and employment. Performance measure 4 will replace measure 3 as it drops off of the 2021 annual report.

NOTE: Performance measure 4 will be replaced for 2021 due to decreased resources, revision and redirection of youth activities in the 2021-2023 State Plan for Independent Living and increased needs in other areas related emergency preparedness and the Coronavirus health emergency.

Performance Measure 5: Coordinate with the CILs to increase participation of people with disabilities in state and local emergency planning groups by 25% annually (aligned with the 2021-23 SPIL). The current baseline is nine people from across Idaho participating with state and local emergency planning groups.

Performance Measure 6:

Potential community training opportunities are identified during the year, targeting populations and activities specifically identified in the SPIL. Trainings counted were provided to no fewer than 6 participants with events ranging from 12 - 82 attendees.

The SILC did not meet our 2020 training target due to the Coronavirus health emergency. All spring trainings were cancelled as travel was suspended during what is typically our busiest time of year. The SILC is perfecting virtual training programs; anticipating that we will provide at least 15 virtual workshops and learning opportunities during 2021.

Performance Measure 7:

Target is based on the number of collaborative workgroups participating in activities specifically identified and targeted in the SPIL. Actual year numbers represent participation in more than 70% of meetings, calls for response and written correspondence.

Performance Measure 8:

Target is based on the number of specific policy reviews, rule changes, and laws or potential legislation identified by the SILC as impacting (positive or negative) Idahoans with disabilities, including: community access, such as accessible parking spaces (local work groups) and access to scarce medical resources through participation with the State of Idaho Disaster Medical Advisory Committee (SIDMAC) in the development of the Crisis Standards of Care (CSC) or HCBS services, which help people access the community through Medicaid waiver services (supporting public testimony and written analysis) and access to emergency management information through local, state and national programs. Activities are generally in collaboration with others. However, the provision of SILC written review, analysis or testimony is the basis of the measurement.

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