

Roles and Responsibilities

Learning Objectives

Examine the roles and responsibilities of various entities as defined by law and by the Self-Determination Program Waiver application

Department of Justice

Independent Facilitator

Regional Centers, IPP Teams, and
Service Coordinators

State Council on
Developmental Disabilities

Program Participants

Financial Management
Services providers

**Self-Determination
Program requires
many entities take
responsibility**

Individual Program
Planning Teams

Department of
Developmental Services

Statewide Self-
Determination Advisory
Committee

Local Volunteer Advisory Committees

Regional Centers

- Implement the Self-Determination Program
- Establish local volunteer advisory committees
- Establish agreements with local consumer or family-run organizations to conduct outreach and training
- Conduct Pre-Enrollment Informational Meetings and orientations
- Vendorize financial management services providers

Regional Centers

- When requested, provide participants the support necessary to transition into and out of the Self-Determination Program

Individual Program Planning Team

- Continue to use the person-centered planning process in the development of participants' Individual Program Plans
- Determine the individual budget taking into consideration changes in circumstances or unmet needs
- Attach the completed budget to the Individual Program Plan

Service Coordinators

- Many of your current responsibilities will remain the same
- Additional responsibilities:
 - Determining an individual budget
 - Working with an independent facilitator if chosen

Independent Facilitator

- A person selected by the participant who can assist in making decisions about services and supports
- Must receive training in the principles of self-determination, the person-centered planning process, and the other responsibilities at her or his cost
- Must ensure choices are documented in the Individual Program Plan
- Any fees are paid from a Self-Determination Program participant's budget

Local Volunteer Advisory Committees

- Review the development and ongoing progress of the Self-Determination Program
- Offer recommendations for ongoing improvement

Statewide Advisory Committee

Meet to identify—

- Self-determination best practices
- Effective consumer and family training materials
- Implementation concerns
- Systemic issues
- Ways to enhance the program
- Recommendations

State Council on Dev. Disabilities

- Partner with regional centers to make appointments to local volunteer advisory committees
- Form the Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee
- Share Self-Determination Program information
- Issue a report to the Legislature with recommendations to enhance the effectiveness of the Self-Determination Program

Program Participants

Must agree to all of the following:

- Participate in an orientation on SDP
- Utilize generic services and supports first
- Only purchase services and supports necessary to implement his or her Individual Program Plan
- Manage his or her individual budget
- Utilize the services of a financial management services provider

Dept. of Developmental Services

Must ensure that Regional Centers are trained in the principles of self-determination, the mechanics of the Self-Determination Program, and the rights of consumers and families as candidates for, and participants in, the Self-Determination Program

Dept. of Developmental Services

- Apply for and secure federal funding
- Issue program directives until the time regulations can be adopted
- Develop informational materials
- Facilitate criminal background checks for those that are required
- Report to the Legislature on program information beginning January 1, 2017

Financial Management Services

- Only provider required to vendor with Regional Center
- Assists participants to manage and direct distribution of funds
- Ensures participants have financial resources to stay within their budgets
- Provides monthly statements to the participant and service coordinator

Department of Justice

- Receives requests from the Department of Developmental Services to check providers' criminal histories
- Provides responses to those requests
- Charges fees to the Department to cover processing costs

Questions

