April 15, 2024, FY2025-2027 SPIL Writing Team Meeting Notes

Team Members Present: Amanda Rhines-Poehlman, Jamia Davis, Steve Locke, Bill Addison, Yvonne Fleener, Mark Pierce, Luke Zelley, Dr. Frank Animikwam.

Drafting Michigan’s 2024-2027 SILC SPIL Goals

2024 – 2027 SPIL Timeline Review

* Steve reviewed the timeline.

Now - May 1, 2024: Continue Gathering Public Input

May 1, 2024: Draft SPIL Complete for Public Comment

May 1, 2024 – May 30, 2024: Public Comment Period on Draft SPIL

June 30, 2024: SPIL Due to ACL

Public Input Review

* We have received 194 Community Needs Assessment responses so far.
* Public input will be ongoing and will be reviewed between May 1st through May 30th, 2024.

CIL Network Goals

* There were no new modifications to the CIL network goals since the last meeting.

State Level Partnership Goals for CIL Network and SILC

SILC Advocacy Goals

* The SILC SPIL goal workgroup has been working on goals and Steve was able to take their thoughts and put them in order.
  + We established one goal and four objectives.
  + Goal 3: Through a SILC led statewide community education and advocacy campaign, advocate for access to affordable, accessible cross-county transportation for people with disabilities; increase availability of accessible/adaptable and affordable housing for individuals with disabilities; and increase access to mental health services for individuals with disabilities.
  + Objective 3.1: Utilizing SILC’s community education/advocacy campaign, increase statewide understanding and support the need to invest in cross-county transportation options, fostering a more inclusive and accessible state.
  + Objective 3.2: Utilizing SILC’s community education/advocacy campaign, raise statewide awareness among policymakers about the nuanced understanding of housing accessibility within the disability community. Emphasize that 'affordable' and 'accessible' are distinct concepts, often mistakenly used interchangeably by individuals outside the disability community.
  + Objective 3.3: Utilizing SILC’s community education/advocacy campaign, raise statewide and policymakers’ awareness of the benefits of increased access to mental health services by individuals with disabilities.
  + Objective 3.4: Utilizing SILC’s community education and advocacy campaign, raise statewide and policymakers’ awareness of emerging disability issues that affect individuals with disabilities directly.
* Steve will forward the SILC SPIL workgroup draft goals and objectives document to the team for your review and input.
* The SILC SPIL goals workgroup will be meeting on April 25th to review, make any modification and finalize the objectives and activities.

Approach to and Assignment of SPIL Sections

* The draft SPIL is online using Office 365. Links have been sent to everyone that has editing authorization.

General Discussion

* Yvonne asked a question, “The new information about full services vs. limited services to the counties. For example, a program provided in areas not served by the CIL or core services.” Which is none because we serve every area, right? “Or a satellite office of a CIL that provides the core services but not all of the services are provided by the full CIL.” All of DNSWM services are available to all eight counties, but we certainly don’t see as many people equally in each county, but they’re available it’s not excluded from anyone. Does that mean we offer full services to all of our counties?
  + Steve attended an ILRU technical assistance call a couple of weeks ago and this topic came up and everyone is approaching it from different perspectives. Ohio said they went through their population, statistics, the census and came up with a dollar figure per person with a disability within their state and came up with a number for a CIL to be fully funded right around $30 million. The narrative in the current SPIL we put in there that all of the counties are under served based on the prototype. It is up to each CIL director or as a network on how you want to answer that question.

Public Comment

* No public comment was given.

Future Meeting Dates

* April 25, 2024 @ 2:30pm