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## **Independent Living Council of Wisconsin (ILCW) Statewide Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) Committee Teleconference Meeting**

June 20, 2023

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

APPROVED AUGUST 22, 2023

### **Action Items and Motion Items**

#### **A. ILCW SPIL Committee Action Items**

- 1. Action Item:** ILCW Program Coordinator will compile data and present results from the SPIL Survey at the August 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee Meeting.
- 2. Action Item:** ILCW Program coordinator will send a doodle poll to the SPIL Committee to determine the date and time of the August 2023 SPIL Committee meeting.

#### **B. ILCW SPIL Committee Motion Items**

- 1. Motion Item:** Marci Boucher made a motion to approve the June 20, 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting agenda. Jason Beloungy seconded the motion. ILCW SPIL Committee voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion Item:** Kathy Acevedo made a motion to approve the April 18, 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting minutes. Jenesis Lindbo seconded the motion. ILCW SPIL Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion Item:** Jason Beloungy made a motion to adjourn the June 20, 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting. Jenesis Lindbo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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## **C. Meeting Minutes**

### **I. Welcome and Introductions, Kyle Kleist, ILCW Vice Chair**

**ILCW SPIL Committee Members Present:** Kathy Acevedo; Jason Beloungy, ILCW Independent Living Center (ILC) Representative; Tami Frentzel; Jason Glozier, Wisconsin Coalition of Independent Living Centers (WCILC) Executive Director; Kyle Kleist, ILCW Vice Chair; Jeness Lindbo; Stacie Scheibe; and Ashely Walker, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources (BADR).

**ILCW SPIL Committee Members Absent; Excused (\*):** Jason Endres\*, ILCW Chair; Randi Johnson\*, ILCW Secretary; Jill Nyberg\*; LySandra Owens, ILCW Treasurer; Lisa Sobczyk, DHS, BADR, Designated State Entity (DSE) Representative.

**ILCW Staff:** Tyler Wilcox, ILCW Program Coordinator.

### **II. The meeting was called to order at 10:14 A.M. by Kyle Kleist, ILCW Vice Chair**

- The meeting was available via teleconference by calling (312) 626-6799 with meeting ID: 894 5321 2950. The meeting was also available via [Zoom](#).

### **III. Review and Approve June 20, 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee Meeting Agenda**

- Marci Boucher made a motion to approve the June 20, 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting agenda. Jason Beloungy seconded the motion. ILCW SPIL Committee voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

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#### **IV. Review and Approve April 18, 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee Meeting Minutes**

- Kathy Acevedo made a motion to approve the April 18, 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting minutes. Jenesis Lindbo seconded the motion. ILCW SPIL Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

#### **V. Public Comment on the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) or Related to Independent Living Centers and Services**

- Link to SPIL (<https://www.livebinders.com/media/get/MjIxMjk0OTI=>)
- No public comment received; comment period closed at 10:18 a.m.

#### **VI. Discuss Progress toward Submission of Proposed Amendments to the 2021-2024 SPIL**

- The proposed amendments to the 2021-2024 SPIL were approved by the Full council, and ILCW Chair was given authority to sign on behalf of the council.
- ILCW Program Coordinator has collected all the necessary information and documentation to provide to the Administration on Community Living (ACL). DSE will review the documents to make sure everything is included in the packet that will be submitted with the amended SPIL.
- There was some delay with DocuSign, but it should be resolved shortly. As soon as all required signatures are completed for the SPIL, ILCW Program Coordinator will submit the amended SPIL and all required documentation.
- Following submission, ACL will review and request changes prior to the start of the 2024 Federal Fiscal Year (FFY), October 1, 2023.

#### **VII. Discuss Updated Priorities for 2025-2027 SPIL**

- Developing a new mission statement will be easier as we work on developing the 2025-2027 SPIL. Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion will be a major component of the SPIL and will likely feature heavily in the mission statement.

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- The Systems Advocacy Workgroup and Administration Workgroup will also both work more in-depth on the Mission Statement before bringing their proposal(s) to the full committee.
- The Service Delivery Group will begin looking at how to include Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in the parts of the SPIL for which they are responsible.
  - Integrating Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in our service delivery goals will ensure that the Wisconsin Independent Living Network (WILN) is working toward a more equitable, diverse, and inclusive philosophy beyond just stating these ideals in the mission statement.
- All the other workgroups should be looking at principles of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion to make sure that it is a major component of the SPIL goals, and of the SPIL overall.
- An increase in funding for the Independent Living Centers (ILCs) was not included in the most recent omnibus budget motion, Motion 109. WILN will continue advocating for this increase with the hope that it will be included in the 2025 budget.
  - Many legislators see IL as an extension of Medicaid services. Focusing on civil rights rather than service provision will demonstrate that IL is separate from Medicaid.
  - Legislators have shown overwhelming support for nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and other institutional settings. They have shown very little support for community-based services. This should be a major component of WILN's advocacy efforts and should be reflected in the SPIL.
- The new SPIL will have to provide better direction with regards to how new one-time and on-going funding is distributed across the network. This is address in the 2021-2024 SPIL, but more guidance is needed.

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- More formalized, and better structured, service area and funding equity can be expanded and strengthened over time. A new model for equity among the ILCs is being developed that may be introduced in the 2025-2027 SPIL. If the model is not ready in time for submission, then some new definitions, logic, and structures can be introduced in anticipation of the new model.
- Continued work on this will help demonstrate that WILN is committed to ensuring that all ILCs in Wisconsin have equitable funding and service areas.

### **VIII. Discuss and Review SPIL Survey Questions**

- The SPIL Survey is now available using either the Google Forms or Survey Monkey platform.
  - New questions were included on the Survey Monkey platform so we can reach persons who request more information about the SPIL.
  - There may be time for language translation; the survey will not be closed until October or possibly later.
- There are a total of 92 responses as of June 19, 2023.
  - 15 have completed the survey using the Survey Monkey platform, 77 have used Google Forms.
  - Judging by the answers to some questions, most of the respondents on the Google Forms platform are persons who work for Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) or similar agencies.
- ILCW Program Coordinator will compile data and present results from the SPIL Survey at the August 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee Meeting. See Action Item 1.

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## **IX. Discuss Updates from SPIL Workgroups**

- Jason Beloungy provided an update for the Administration Workgroup.
  - The Administration Workgroup has not met for several months. They expect to be more active as the SPIL is developed further, especially to help make sure that the SPIL is consistent and that sections in which information is repeated match one another.
- Jason Glozier provided an update for the Service Delivery, Growth, and Expansion Workgroup.
  - The workgroup has not met since January. They will begin to meet three times in next two months to focus on partnerships and how to use service delivery as a mechanism for civil justice and advocacy. They will also look at current SPIL goals to determine how to make those or new goals have a greater focus on equity.
- Kyle Kleist provided an update for the Systems Advocacy workgroup.
  - Systems Advocacy group met a few weeks ago. Goals for the new SPIL were developed prior to development of Amendments for the 2021-2024 SPIL, and those goals still seem to be appropriate. As there is more development on the 2025-2027 SPIL, the group will resume meeting and work on ensuring that advocacy is a major component of the new SPIL.
- Marci Boucher provided an update for the Funding, Growth, and Expansion workgroup.
  - The funding group has not met since development of the 2021-2024 SPIL Amendments. They are scheduled to meet on June 27<sup>th</sup> to discuss what the group will need to accomplish for the 2025-2027 SPIL. Advocating for an IL increase to be included in the 2025 Wisconsin State Budget will likely be a major focus of the 2025-2027 SPIL.

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## **X. Adjourn**

- Jason Beloungy made a motion to adjourn the June 20, 2023 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting. Jenesis Lindbo seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.
  - ILCW Program Coordinator will not be available for the scheduled July 18, 2023 meeting.
    - The July 18, 2023 meeting will be cancelled as there is nothing pressing regarding SPIL development at this time.
  - The August 15, 2023 meeting coincides with the ILCW August Quarterly meeting, and will have to be rescheduled.
    - ILCW Program coordinator will send a doodle poll to the SPIL Committee to determine the date and time of the August 2023 SPIL Committee meeting. See Action Item 2.

**Meeting Adjourned at 10:56 A.M.**