

Independent Living Council of Wisconsin (ILCW) State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) Committee Teleconference Meeting

February 29, 2024

2:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

APPROVED MARCH 27, 2024

Action Items and Motion Items

A. ILCW SPIL Committee Action Items

- Action Item: ILCW Program Coordinator will work individually with indiGO, Midstate Independent Living Choices, and Society's Assets, Incorporated, to schedule a Public Hearing sometime between April 8, 2024 and April 30, 2024.
- **2. Action Item:** ILCW Program Coordinator will update Objective 1.1 and indicators 1.1.1-1.1.3 to show increases in the number of counties with 1% or more of the persons with disabilities in that county served starting at 70%, increasing to 77.5% in year two, and to 85% in year three.

B. ILCW SPIL Committee Motion Items

- **1. Motion Item:** Marci Boucher made a motion to approve the February 29, 2024 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting agenda. Jason Beloungy seconded the motion. ILCW SPIL Committee voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- **2. Motion Item:** Marci Boucher made a motion to approve the January 16, 2024 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting minutes. Don Wiginton seconded the motion. ILCW SPIL Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
- **3. Motion Item:** Jill Nyberg made a motion to adjourn the February 29, 2024 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting. Tami Frenzel seconded the motion. Motion carried.



C. Meeting Minutes

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

- **ILCW SPIL Committee Members Present:** Jason Beloungy; Marci Boucher; Jason Endres; Tami Frenzel; Jason Glozier, Executive Director, Wisconsin Coalition of Independent Living Centers (WCILC); Kyle Kleist, ILCW Vice Chair; Sandy Popp; Don Wigington; and Tyler Wigington.
- **ILCW SPIL Committee Members Absent; Excused (*):** Jill Nyberg; and Lisa Sobczyk*, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources (BADR), Designated State Entity (DSE) Representative.

Guest(s): Kathy Acevedo; Ann Belisle; Ramsey Lee

ILCW Staff: Tyler Wilcox, ILCW Program Coordinator.

II. The meeting was called to order at 2:30 P.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 <u>Zoom</u>.

III. Review and Approve February 29, 2024 ILCW SPIL Committee Meeting Agenda

• Marci Boucher made a motion to approve the February 29, 2024 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.

IV. Review and Approve January 16, 2024 ILCW SPIL Committee Meeting Minutes

 Marci Boucher made a motion to approve the January 16, 2024 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting minutes. Don Wiginton 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 (<u>http://www.livebinders.com/media/get/MjQ3MTE0MDM=</u>)
- Ramsey Lee provided the following comments:
 - The rough draft of the SPIL sent out by the ILCW Program Coordinator had a goal of increasing Independent Living Center (ILC) membership to 80%. This "is a lot to ask of independent living centers to increase by a certain percentage." The SPIL committee should consider modifying this so the wording is more clear.
 - Ramsey Lee would like to have copies of the SPIL Public Hearing announcements so that he can distribute them to people he knows who may be interested.
 - The Self-Determination Conference is seeking presenters.
 Proposals are due May 5, 2024. ILCW Program Coordinator and ILCW Chair should consider presenting at the conference.
- Public comment period closed at 2:44 P.M.

VI. Discuss Progress Toward 2021-2024 SPIL Goals

- Currently there is good progress being made toward the 2021-2024 SPIL Goals.
 - Most ILCs have reached the 75% successful goal completion benchmark.
 - ILCs have also continued to improve their outreach efforts in more geographically remote counties in their service areas.
 - A Quality Indicators for Independent Living (QUILS) review is scheduled for April 2024 at Society's Assets, Inc. Society's Assets has not had a review done in more than ten years.
 - The WILN retreat was held in 2023 and was successful. This SPIL goal related to the retreat has been completed. Another retreat may be planned for 2026 but this would not be a SPIL goal.



 ILCW members are continuing to engage in training opportunities. The number of hours they have engaged declined slightly over the first quarter of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2024. This is to be expected because the first quarter includes the holiday season, and many agencies are busy with reporting and other duties related to closing out the previous year.

VII. Discuss Dates and Times for Public Hearings for the 2025-2027 SPIL Draft

- There are a few updates still need for the 2025-2027 SPIL Draft, these should be completed before the March 7, 2024 ILCW Executive Committee Meeting. The first possible date for a public hearing would be April 8, 2024 because April 7 is a Sunday.
- ILCW Program Coordinator will work individually with indiGO, Midstate Independent Living Choices, and Society's Assets, Incorporated, to schedule a Public Hearing sometime between April 8, 2024 and April 30, 2024. See Action Item 1.

VIII. Discuss Progress on the 2025-2027 SPIL Draft

- Most of the draft appears ready to be published. There are some questions regarding the indicators for Goal 1, Objective 1.1, which reads "All ILCs will increase their total number of Information and Referral (I&R) and Consumer Information Files (CIF) for IL Core services per each service area."
 - The indicators for this objective read "[a percentage] of Wisconsin's 72 counties will have at least 1% or persons with disabilities served by their local ILC." There are three indicators. For each indicator the percentage increases from 70%, then 85%, and finally 100%.



- The increase in percentages is intended to show progress across the state. This is a statewide goal so that no undue burden is placed on any individual ILC. However, reaching 100% over the course of the 3-year SPIL may not be feasible. 85% seems more reasonable and more attainable.
 - 85% of counties will be 64 of 72 counties served at the 1% or greater threshold.
- Showing progress will be a good way of showing that ILCs are trying to reach as many consumers as possible with the resources they have and will help to show that increasing resources will allow more people to be reached across the state.
- The indicator should be updated to show that the ILCs will increase the percentage of counties in which at least 1% of persons with disabilities are served will increase from 70% to 77.5%, and finally to 85% across the state.
- ILCW Program Coordinator will update Objective 1.1 and indicators 1.1.1-1.1.3 to show increases in the number of counties with 1% or more of the persons with disabilities in that county served starting at 70%, increasing to 77.5% in year two, and to 85% in year three. See Action Item 2.
- Goal 1, Objective 1.2, indicator 1.2.1 reads: "80% of consumers receiving IL Core Services will have 'successfully completed all goals' when their individual Consumer Information File (CIF) is closed."
 - Ramsey Lee referred to this goal during his public comment. He believes 80% may not be feasible.
 - Most ILCs' consumers have a very high successful completion rate. This goal should not be difficult to achieve.
 - A consensus of ILCW SPIL Committee members who also work and/or represent ILCs agree that this goal is appropriate.



IX. Discuss Updates from SPIL Workgroups

- Jason Beloungy provided an update for the Administration Workgroup:
 - The Draft SPIL is nearly completed, and the Administration workgroup will be focusing on making sure the SPIL is consistent across the different sections. Both in terms of writing style and in terms of the content of, especially in cases where the content is repeated.
- Kyle Kleist provided an update for the Systems Advocacy Workgroup:
 - Everything for the Systems Advocacy Workgroup has been completed, they are providing feedback as necessary, but are ready for the Draft SPIL to be posted on the <u>https://il-wis.net</u> website.
- Jason Glozier provided an update for the Service Delivery, Growth, and Expansion Workgroup:
 - The sections for which the workgroup was responsible are completed and have been sent to ILCW Program Coordinator for inclusion in the draft. There have been changes made to expand the narrative around partnerships and more intentionality around what we want to accomplish. There is also some information about working toward expanding efforts to the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to increase youth services across the State.
- Jason Beloungy provided an update for the Funding, Growth, and Expansion Workgroup:
 - The workgroup is still meeting regularly but is nearly ready to submit their sections for inclusion in the draft.
 - The group is working on being more specific with regards to addressing how to ensure funding equity amongst the ILCs, especially bringing up funding for the 5 ILCs which have less Part C funding.



X. Adjourn

• Jill Nyberg made a motion to adjourn the February 29, 2024 ILCW SPIL Committee meeting. Tami Frenzel seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:25 P.M.