

# Roles and Responsibilities

# Objective

Examine the roles and responsibilities of various people and organizations involved in the Self-Determination Program

# Self-Determination Program Relationships



# Program Participants

Agree to:

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

# Regional Centers

- Implement the Self-Determination Program
- Establish local volunteer advisory committees
- Contract with local consumer or family-run organizations to conduct outreach and training
- Conduct training and orientation
- Vendorize financial management services providers

# Individual Program Planning Team

- 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

# Service Coordinators

- Many current responsibilities will remain the same
- Additional responsibilities:
  - Help establish an individual budget
  - Coordinate with an independent facilitator if chosen

# Independent Facilitator

- A person selected by the participant who can assist in making informed 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
- Any fees are paid from a Self-Determination Program participant's budget



# Financial Management Services

- Only provider required to vendor with regional center
- Assists participants to manage their budget
- Assists participants in verifying the qualifications of service providers

# Local Volunteer Advisory Committee

- Review the development and ongoing progress of the Self-Determination Program
- Offer recommendations for ongoing improvement
- Collaborate with the regional center to conduct outreach and provide training about the Self-Determination Program

# 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 Developmental Disabilities

- Partner with regional centers to appoint 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

# Department 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

# Questions

