Community Life Engagement Fidelity Scale®

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This fidelity scale is designed to help providers of day services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) determine their strengths and areas for improvement in supporting individuals' community life engagement. Community life engagement refers to access and participation in the community through inclusive non-work activities such as volunteer work, continuing education, and recreation. For more on CLE and the research behind this scale see: https://www.thinkwork.org/cle

This fidelity scale should be completed by staff and management who have a familiarity with the day services and supports offered by the provider.

Please respond to the following statements based upon how your [non-work] day services and supports are currently structured.

For each section, add up the numbers you circled for each response to see where you fall in the range.

Part 1: Organizational Values

Please circle how much you agree the following statements apply to your organization.

My organization	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Enter Number Here
Makes sure all working- age individuals have opportunities to explore employment	1	2	3	4	5	
Ensures families are aware of the organization's emphasis on individualized, person- centered, community- based supports	1	2	3	4	5	
Ensures all staff are aware of the organization's emphasis on individualized, person- centered, community- based supports	1	2	3	4	5	
Total for Part 1	Score Range 3-6 = Low 7-11 = Medium 12-15 = High For more about Organizational Values, visit Community Life Engagement Toolkit, Guidepost 4					

Part 2: Person-centered supports

Please circle how much you agree the following statements apply to your organization.

My organization	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Enter Number Here
Offers training to staff in person-centered planning or thinking approaches	1	2	3	4	5	
Engages the individual throughout the person centered planning process	1	2	3	4	5	
Offers training to individuals on selfadvocacy and selfadetermination skills	1	2	3	4	5	
Frequently reviews and updates each individual's person centered plan	1	2	3	4	5	
Supports individuals to develop and plan for life goals (e.g., employment, education, physical fitness, connecting with family and friends, hobbies)	1	2	3	4	5	
Is aware of and responsive to individuals' cultural background (race, ethnicity, religion, language, age, sexual orientation, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	
Total for Part 2	Score Range 6-12 = Low 13-23 = Medium 24-30 = High For more about Person-Centered Supports, visit Community Life Engagement Toolkit, Guidepost 1					

Part 3: Social and Community Connections

Please circle how much you agree the following statements apply to your organization.

My organization	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Enter Number Here
Provides training to staff on how to identify and build natural supports	1	2	3	4	5	
Emphasizes building networks of support from family, friends and community	1	2	3	4	5	
Trains staff on how to minimize their presence in order to encourage natural interactions.	1	2	3	4	5	
Supports individuals to form friendships with people outside the IDD system	1	2	3	4	5	
Gives individuals a say about which peers they spend their time with	1	2	3	4	5	
Tailors community participation to the individual's desired level of social interaction	1	2	3	4	5	
Total for Part 3	<u>Score Range</u> 6-12 = Low 13-23 = Medium 24-30 = High					
	For more about Person-Centered Supports, visit Community Life Engagement Toolkit, Guideposts 2 and 3.					

Part 4: Continuous Quality Improvement

Please circle how much you agree the following statements apply to your organization.

My organization	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Enter Number Here
Regularly reviews data and feedback collected and uses them to improve supports at the individual level	1	2	3	4	5	
Regularly reviews data and feedback collected and uses them to improve supports at the organizational level	1	2	3	4	5	
Collects feedback from individuals on whether they are supported to achieve the goals they set for themselves	1	2	3	4	5	
	Score Range					
Total for Part 4	3-6 = Low 7-11 = Medium 12-15 = High					
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