PERSON-CENTERED SERVICE PLANNING TRAINING



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Welcome to the AHCCCS Person-Centered Service Planning Training.



Before we get started, let's do introductions.

Time: 5 -10 Minutes

This exercise may need to be modified depending on your audience. It could also be done by pairing people up and they ask each other these questions (or other questions of your choice), then they introduce each other to the group.

When it's your turn, please tell us:

Your name; What you do at your job Where you work What was one think that made you smile today?

The items to include in your introduction are on the screen as well.

Introduce yourself, then ask who would like to go next.

Thank you!



You will find sticky notes on your tables.

Please take a sticky note and write on it one thing you hope to learn as a result of this course.

Give participants up to 3 minutes to write on their sticky notes.

When you are finished writing, please place your sticky note on the "I want to Know" wall chart.

When they are finished placing their notes,

Over the course of our training, you will have the opportunity to check in on your note during breaks. If and when you think you have learned what you hoped to, please move your note to the "Got it Covered" wall chart. Don't worry, I will be reminding you.

At the end of the training, we will review any questions not moved to see if we can provide answers at that point.

Course Objectives

By the end of this course you will be able to:

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- Identify the strategies, tools and skills used to facilitate a person-centered meeting
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Let's take a look at how we are going to spend the time we have together.

On Day 1 we will cover:

- CMS Rules for HCBS
- Values & Principles
- Core Concepts
- Meaningful Conversations
- Person-Centered Thinking Discovery Tools

On Day 2 you will learn about:

- Person-Centered Service Planning (PCSP)
- Planning Team
- Facilitating a PCSP
- Goal Setting & Developing Outcomes
- Risk Assessment
- Informed Consent & Sharing the Plan
- Action Planning & Implementation



I want to tell you up front that this will not be a training on how to fill out the new forms.

The forms are only a guide to conducting the service planning meetings using a person-centered approach.

Although we may refer to the forms from time to time, our focus is on personcentered thinking and philosophy.

However, throughout the training, there will be page references on slides that indicate what section of the plan this information will pertain to. The new Person-Centered Service Plan document is in your packet. Go ahead and take it out now so you can look at page numbers referred to throughout the training.



This is the foundation of Person-Centered Planning and Thinking:

Everyone:

- Has a basic right and responsibility to make choices in their life
- Need opportunities to find success and independence in community living and employment, regardless of barriers they may face
- Need to know about all of the options available and have the skills and/or supports to make informed choices
- Have the right to try, whether they fail or succeed, and to try again

Person-centered practices and planning help people have better lives, not just better plans!



Before we begin, let me say that we understand that ALTCS members include people with:

- Developmental Disabilities
- Physical Disabilities &
- Chronic Health Conditions

However, for the purpose of this training, we use "disability" as an umbrella term for individuals requiring this level of care.



Let's begin by talking about the reason for this training.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services – CMS – revised their rules regarding how case managers/support coordinators should conduct service planning.



Here is the goal of the CMS Person-Centered Rules regarding Home and Community Based Services.

Everyone receiving home and community-based services (HCBS) needs to have informed choice about:

- Where they live and who they live with
- What they do with their time
 - Including who they want to spend it with, and
 - The type of employment they have
- They need to have informed choice about what they do with their resources, and
- Who provides the services to support the choices that are made

CMS Rules on HCBS

Settings must:

- Be integrated in and support access to the greater community
- Provide opportunities to:
 - Seek employment in competitive integrated settings
 - Engage in community life
 - Control personal resources
- Ensure the individual receives services in the community with the same access as individuals not receiving Medicaid HCBS

The CMS Rules regarding HCBS settings say they must:

• Be integrated in the community and support access to the community

Members must be provided opportunities to:

- Pursue competitive employment in integrated settings
- Be involved in their community
- Have control over their personal resources

Furthermore, all efforts must be made to ensure the member receives services in their community with the same access as people not receiving Medicaid HCBS.

End of CMS rules on HCBS section.



Change only happens where there is discontent. Discontent comes from comparing what *is* with what could be, and there are two kinds of discontent – Cynical and Optimistic.

With every effort for change comes a promise, and where the promise is broken you get cynical discontent. That results in:

- Denial: This is no different from what we've been doing
- Distortion: Perceptions suggest people want what they're already getting
- Departure: Passionate people leave when they see no hope for change

Optimistic Discontent – requires trust based on:

- A history of I take time
- Signs of progress in acting on things that still take time

Where cynical discontent is dominant trust must be created.



When trying to become a more person-centered agency, there are three levels of change:

Level One

Changes don't require permission

• This results in a positive difference in lives of members or at work

Level Two

Changes that require permission of organizational leadership, such as:

- Practices
- Structure
- Rules

And these changes result in positive differences in lives

Level Three

Changes in practices, structure and rules made at the system level

• These changes have an effect on many organizations, and therefore, many people's lives

The current changes are at level three.



I know change is hard!

Some people feel they are already doing this type of planning. This is to formalize the process to ensure everyone is engaging in a personcentered approach to service planning. It will take time and adjustment for the whole team. Be patient and open to this process.

The whole point of these changes in the rules and practices is to:

End of Change section.



Help people get better lives, not just better plans.

This is not about creating better paper

The only reason to do all of this work is for it to make a difference in people's lives.

Remember, any of us may need to utilize long term care services in our lives.

Ask: Wouldn't you want to be treated in this way?



Let's look at some of the values and philosophy of Person-Centered Thinking.



Ask: What is culture? What does this word mean to you?

Our culture helps us define what we think about why things are:

- Right and wrong
- Good or bad
- How things "should" be

Is learned and shared knowledge that identifying groups use that:

- Influences our behavior
- Helps us interpret our experience of the world

Includes:

- Communication
- Rituals
- Roles we have

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Everyone comes to this work with multiple cultural backgrounds and values that informs each of our individual perceptions of the world.

We need to keep that in mind throughout the process for the member we're working with, other members of the team, and yourself. You all bring your own perceptions and experiences to the table.

This is not an exhaustive list, but these are some of the cultural difference that may be needed to take into consideration when working with anyone.

Review items on the chart.

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Regardless of our culture, all of us want to be treated with dignity and respect. We want to be included in our family and community and feel safe on our own terms.

These things might manifest differently depending on your culture, but keep these underlying values in mind.



Person-Centered Thinking influences and guide the way we listen and respond to people.

Planning in this way encourages and empowers people to have control over the life they want to live.

It also ensures that people are recognized and valued for contributions to their communities, whether it be past, current and/or in the future.

PCT supports result in a web of relationships, natural and paid, within the communities where people live.



The operating principles of Person Centered Thinking are:

- Self Determination
- Family & Close Relationships
- Inclusion



Self-Advocates define Self-Determination as "putting people with disabilities in control of the selection of the supports and services they receive."

When you encourage the person to advocate for themselves, they determine what is needed, when and who will provide the support.

"Nothing about us without us!" This is really the mantra.

It really has a lot to do with following the lead of the person with a disability, as well as respecting the person's choices – whether you agree with them or not.



What do you think self-determination means?

Take some responses.

Click for bulleted list.

Here are some other aspects about self-determination.

Briefly mention things on the slide that have not been touched on.



In Arizona, when someone turns 18, that person becomes an adult who is considered legally competent.

Guardianship is a legal process that must be followed if it's believed that a person may need a legal guardian. A judge makes the final decision if a guardian is needed.

However, just because someone is an adult, that does not mean we ignore the opinions and wishes of the family for an individual over the age of 18.

If the individual would like their family to be part of the team, then absolutely we're talking with them and working together.

On the other hand, if an individual is legally responsible for him/herself, and does not want to include others, including their family members in their decision making process, then respect the individual's choice and decision.

Guardianship is not a decision to be taken lightly. It restricts all of a person's rights. People don't need a guardian just because they make bad decisions – we all have made bad decisions. It should be related to health and safety.

For AZ we have a Legal Options Manual. You can find it on the AZ Center for Disability Law website and the link is in your resource list. The manual lists all of the different types of decision making options that are available. Some power of attorney options, such as assisting with decisions regarding medical, educational, vocational rehabilitation, and behavioral health, only require a signed notarized form. The forms are included in the manual.



Self-Determination is actually a civil rights movement led by self-advocates and those who love and support them.

Those who support Self-Determination believe that:

- Individuals with complex physical needs will not have to tolerate being "housed" in nursing homes at a young age because it is the cheapest way to care for someone with those needs.
- No longer will young men & women be required to end their evenings out at 10:00 to be back at the house for change of shift at 10:30.
- No longer do individuals need to accept which ever staff member is sent that day by the agency supporting them.
 - The individual receiving the support has the right to specify the characteristics desired in a support person, what skills are needed and when and where they are to be delivered.

These are situations that individuals who experience disabilities have faced just because they happen to have been born with or acquired a disability/chronic health condition.

It has nothing to do with who they are as individuals.

Here is an excerpt taken from Self-Advocates Becoming Empowered, 1996:

"Self-determination is speaking up for our rights and responsibilities and empowering ourselves to stand up for what we believe in. This means being able to choose our friends as well as where we work and live; to educate ourselves and others, to work as a team to obtain common goals and to develop the skills that enable us to fight for our beliefs, to advocate for our needs, and to obtain the level of independence that we desire."

Self-Determination

The Center for Self-Determination identifies 5 Operating Principles that define Self-Determination:

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The new HCBS rules support these operating principles.

Self-Determination

- People motivated by Control Over Choices and Supports
- A shifting of power from the Professional to the Individual
- Professional evaluations have same importance as opinions of the person or their best friend
- Less reliance on paid support staff and more on family and friends
- Family and friends can be as or more vested in the individual's wellbeing than paid support staff

Individuals are motivated by having control over their choices and supports.

Self-determination skills should be taught and learned in real life contexts where the individual is invested in the outcomes, skills, goal setting, problem solving.

You can think of Self-Determination as a shifting of power from the Professional to the Individual.

During planning meetings, the professional evaluation is considered with equal importance as the observations of the individual's needs as told by the person, their younger sibling or their best friend of 13 years.

Whenever possible, there is less reliance on paid support staff that are temporarily part of the person's life and more on the lifelong commitment of family and friends.

There is recognition that family and friends can be as or <u>more</u> vested in the individual's wellbeing than paid support staff.



Self-determination and self-advocacy lead the member to:

- Standing up for themselves
- Understanding their own strengths & needs
- Learning how to obtain information they need to make decisions
- Knowing their rights and responsibilities
- Reaching out to others when they need help

These are skills that need to be learned.

Supporting Self-Advocacy

- Don't underestimate abilities of individuals
- Ask for opinions about choices
- Communicate clearly and creatively
- Learn what is important "to" them, not what you think is "good" for them

Supporting self-advocacy requires that we:

- Don't underestimate the individual's abilities
- Continually ask about their opinions regarding choices
- Communicate clearly with the member and check for understanding
- Take the time to learn what is important "to" them, not what you think they need



Dignity of Risk is a concept or value that is imbedded in Self-Determination.

One definition is: "Dignity of risk is the moving away from a safe place, in order to fully experience the self-respect and self-esteem of being human."

Dignity of risk is recognizing a person's right to try. That includes the right to try and fail, and the right to try again.

We all learn through experience and some of those experiences may include mistakes.

Ideally the individual is given opportunities to learn while making choices in supported environments with the information necessary to make that decision.

Everyone needs support with decision-making, regardless of guardianship status at some time or other.

Ask: Think about it, do you seek the opinions of people you trust when facing a decision?



Here's another way to look at it:

Taking a step backward after taking a step forward is not a disaster, it's more like a cha-cha.



Self-Determination and Dignity of Risk are values that Person Centered Thinking and Planning embrace.

End of Self-Determination section.



Another operational principle of person-centered thinking is the role and support of Family & Close Relationships.

It's important to remember that family is not just blood relatives, but rather the family of choice. These are the people you can count on, trust and respect

Most of us have friends from various domains of our lives:

- Home
- Community
- Work
- Spiritual



These folks know the member and are invested in their success.

- Understand the member's capabilities in different situations and roles they play
- Most likely to know the member's hopes and dreams
- Can play a valuable role in decision making, advocacy and care and should be considered as potential planning team members


Be mindful and supportive of the values in of this group.

The people the member identifies with and is connected to know the member best and likely in different roles and settings.

These are the people who are most likely to provide non-paid support for the member. If you involve others, many people can be helping in little ways.

Work with group to think of ways for the member to become more involved in their community.



Encouraging community involvement can expand the circle of support.

Members have many needs which cannot be met through state funded services.

Schools, churches, neighbors, and local community organizations must be integrated with the support provided by family, friends and the support services network.

End of Family & Close Relationships section.



Person-Centered Thinking principles instruct us to think about disability from a strengths-based perspective.

See the person as a whole person and focus on the strengths rather than deficits. If you don't put limits on someone, you never know what they might achieve.

Nobody is broken. The disability is one attribute of the person and does not need to be fixed.

How we talk to and about people matters.



The use of respectful and Person First Language goes hand and hand with that value.

The words we use affect the way we think. What we think influences what we value.

Therefore, how we talk about and to the individuals and their family members is important in establishing and maintaining positive relationships.

As we said before, terminology for different diagnoses have changed over time.

Ask: What are some of the changes you've heard?

Possible answers:

- Intellectual or cognitive disability
- Autism spectrum disorder

Person First Language

- It's a positive, respectful way of talking about people
- It's putting the person before a label
- By putting the person first, you can convey a positive, objective view of an individual instead of a negative, insensitive image

Ask: What is person first language?

- It's a positive, respectful way of talking about people
- It's putting the person before a label
 - Maybe not using the label at all if it is not necessary
- By putting the person first, you can convey a positive, objective view of an individual instead of a negative, insensitive image

Ask: Does anyone have any examples of this?



Word placement matters.

Always place the Person First.

Use the person's name first then the disability, if it is necessary to mention the disability.

For example: Sara is an ALTCS member who uses a wheelchair.

If the disability needs to be discussed, here are ways of describing it. You may have been hearing language of people with lived experience, and that is reflected here.

Click for additional phrases

Sometimes it can be condition specific. For example, John is a Traumatic Brain Injury survivor.

Ask: What is the reason you think we place such an emphasis on this word placement?

Pause for a few answers. Possible responses:

- I would want to have my name first & my description second.
- It is more respectful that way
- We want to focus on the person, not the disability



Here are examples of terms that are not "person first." These are terms to avoid.

What are some examples of alternative descriptions?

Read each one so group can respond with alternatives.

We're handing out some guidelines on how to write about people with disabilities.

Keep in mind that some people practice "identity first" and prefer to be referred to as such. For example, the Deaf Community prefers to use that terminology, as well as do people with blindness. Many people with autism prefer identity first as well. Please don't correct people about how to refer to themselves.

Handout – Your Words, Our Image 8th Edition

It's Time to Actually I Person-first	Put the Person First
bio, projer se avenue with andmin spectrum (diocher and blindnass That's incorrect hanguage: Person-center	Tm autaste and bilmd Um, no. 1m autaste and bind.
What language do you use to describe yourself? Oool. fiterate i use their good boy? Thankes! Will do!	(I'm autistic and blind.) (Yes please)

Not everyone puts the word *person* first when they refer to themselves. Everyone has the right to define themselves in whatever term or terms that they feel represents them. The best way to refer to someone respectfully, in terminology that they are comfortable with and relate to, is simply to just ask them.

Ask them how they would like to be described. It will be individualized to their perceptions of themselves.

End of Person-First Language Section.



Now we're going to talk about Valued Social Roles.

The way in which individuals are perceived by others is often influenced by the different "roles" they play or have in their lives AND, conversely,

The "roles" they play in life often influenced the way in which they are perceived by others.



Ask: What are some roles that our society values?

There are many different valued roles people play.

Click until all pictures populate.



Activity Introduction We're going to do an activity to explore the importance of valued roles.

Divide the group into groups of 3-4 by counting off to 3 or 4 (or more) depending on the size of the group.

I am going to divide you into small groups by counting off by __ (3 or 4). Let's start here.

Point at each person as they count off by the number you indicated based on the size of the group.

Ok, I would like the 1's to meet over here. (Indicate where by pointing.)

The 2's will meet over there. (Indicate where by pointing.)

The 3's will meet over there. (Indicate where by pointing.)

If there is a 4th or 5th group, instruct them where to meet. Please take your participant guides and something to write with.

Go ahead and move into your groups now.

Give them time to move into their groups as you pass out the flipchart paper (Two (2) sheets per group).

Make sure each group has a dark colored marker (black, blue etc.) as well as red and green marker.



Once in their groups,

Each group needs to choose a recorder.

Recorders, raise your hands.

Recorder, select a dark colored marker other than Red or Green.

At the top of the first sheet write "Joe, a person who is homeless":

Click

Now that you have a title for your flip chart page, I want each group to brainstorm a list of words that describe "Joe, a person who is homeless." This is not the time to worry about being politically correct. Write down all the descriptors you've heard or that society would list about people who are homeless.

You have 5 minutes to complete this.

When time is up:



Good, now let's generate a new list of labels for a movie star, singer or athlete that you think is really great.

Give me a few names and we will vote on one to use.

Write the names given on board or flip chart. Stop after 5 or 6.

By a show of hands find out how many in the class know about each. The one with the most hands is the "favorite important person"

(The activity will be more effective if you can steer the group toward a celebrity who has had some difficulties or public problems as well.)

You may raise your hand as often as appropriate.

Ask: By a show of hands, how many of you know about/are familiar with



#5, _____?

It looks as if numbers _____ & ____ are your favorites.

Erase the other names or Circle the favorite names.

This time you get to vote only once!

Ask: By a show of hands again, vote for your favorite famous person.

How many for #__, _____

How many for #__, _____

Ok, the famous person for today is ______.

In your same groups, determine a new recorder.

Or ask for a volunteer different from the first recorder. Give them a minute to determine their recorders.

Recorders, please write "_____, A Famous Person" at the top of the 2nd sheet of flip chart paper using a dark marker (other than red or green).

Just as before, I want each group to brainstorm a list of labels or stereotypes about this famous person, again list things others might think or say or items the news might report or tabloids might publish.

An example might be "rich" or "spoiled".

Keep going around the group until you fill up the sheet or I call time.

You will have 5 minutes.

Ready, Begin.

Start timer for 5 minutes

- Rich
- Famous
- Mother/father

- Son/daughter
- Sister/brother
- Talented
- Voter
- Citizen

Time is up.

Please hang your flip chart paper on the wall next to your first list.

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Good now let's look at both lists.

Now choose a different recorder.

When they all have a new recorder:

Will the recorder please take a red and green marker and stand by their group's flip chart papers?

Now, please read each label in turn to your group, alternating between the two lists; and by a show of hands the group will decide if it is a positive or negative label.

Circle the positive labels in green and the negative labels in red.

This should be a "no arguing" type of decision, majority rules.

Go through as many as possible in the time period; you will have 5 minutes.

Ask: Any questions?

Ready, begin. Start the timer for 5 minutes.

Time is up! I see lots of color on your lists. We are in the home stretch.

Recorders, enlist the help of a team member and quickly total up the number of positives & negatives in each list.

Write the total number of positives in Green and circle it and the total number of negatives in red and circle that.

Allow time for them to do this.

Ask: Is there a difference between the lists? Group 1, what were the differences in your lists?

Group 2?

Group 3?

Ask Group 4 if there is one.

Go to each group for a brief response.

Ask: Are there positives on the star's list that could have been on Joe's list?

Ask 2 groups to respond

Ask: Are there negatives on Joe's list that could be on the star's list?

Ask 2 groups to respond

Ask: What influenced what went on each list?

Get a few responses.

- You set us up
- It is just that way
- It is the difference in their status in society

You may go back to your seats.

Ask: Would you consider the thought that it has everything to do with the valued status of the person or group to which they belong?

Get a response or two, if there are any. It is basically a rhetorical question.

Ask: Agree or not, does it give you food for thought?

Another rhetorical question.

You may be asking yourself, what do lists concerning persons who are homeless and famous people have to do with my job working with people with Disabilities?

That is a fair question. Understanding the importance of the concept of valued/positive roles is at the heart of the work you will be doing, regardless of your job title.

Now let's make a new list of your vision of valued roles for individuals with disabilities.



Using a flip chart page, brainstorm as a large group a list until the board or page is full. This list should be much more like the star's list.

- Daughter/son
- Sister/ brother
- Citizen
- Neighbor
- Friend
- Employee
- Worshiper
- Customer
- Voter

If the group struggles with positive roles, give the hint that there are some roles they, might share with the star or all of us.

This is a great list, thank you.



Maya Angelou – Human Family https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eL_ofpwicsc

We have a video that sums up this section on valued roles.

When finished

Ask: **Reactions to the video?** Pause for responses.



One of the goals of Person Centered Thinking and Planning is to promote people who have disabilities to occupy valued roles and help the individual, their families and the rest of the community to recognize their many possible valued roles.

There's no comprehensive list of valued social roles, but it's easy to recognize a person who has not found one.

End of Valued Roles section.

This may be a good time for a break. When back –



Another operating principle of PCT and Planning is inclusion.

Inclusion means that the people who have disabilities are connected and belong to the larger community.

Therefore, they are engaged in and a contributor to the community of choice.

The ideal would be for all communities to practice the concept of "universal design." This means that environments, learning, products, etc. are accessible to everyone, with or without disabilities.

This image says it all – <u>The Values of Inclusion</u>: Everyone is born in All means all Everybody needs to be in Everybody needs to be with Everyone can communicate Everyone can learn Everyone is ready Everyone needs support Everyone can contribute Together we're better



People with disabilities face some common barriers to participation are:

Attitudinal

- Stereotyping
- Lack of insight regarding access and participation

Communication

- Information not being offered in various formats
- Using language that isn't understandable

Physical

• Steps, curbs etc. that impede access

Policy

- Denying qualified people from opportunities to participate
- Denying reasonable accommodations

Programmatic

- Insufficient time set aside for medical appointments
- Provider's attitudes

Social

- Low number of people with disabilities who are employed
- More likely to live in poverty because of reliance on benefits

Transportation

• Lack of accessible or convenient transportation to enable people to be more independent



Another important value in person-centered thinking relates to least restrictive and integrated or inclusive supports.

Ask: When you hear "least restrictive," what comes to mind? (Validate answers)

- Less is more
- Just enough
- Not too much, not too little
- Just right

Another way to think about "Least Restrictive" is "Just Enough". Not too much, not too little.

This reminds me of Goldilocks in the 3 Bears house when she said, "This porridge is too hot, this one is too cold, but this one is just right."



Least Restrictive Supports can apply to everything from how much physical assistance to give a person to where the individual lives and works.



Divide the class into 4 groups. If you have large numbers, have duplicate copies so there can be more than 1 group doing a category.

I am passing out envelopes to each team that I want you to leave closed until I give you the ok to open them.

Each group will receive an envelope of activity cards & pieces of tape (one for each card). Using either wall or floor space for each team to place the cards in order from highest level of need or support to least.

Inside your envelopes, you have cards with short scenarios on them. Your mission is to place them on the table/floor in order from highest level of need or support to least level of need or support.

This activity is created to facilitate conversation about what these different categories mean when talking about members' quality of life. There are not necessarily any right or wrong answers, so we will talk about how you made your decisions.



Here's some further clarification for the categories you have:

- Living Options Rate the level of placement in terms of most restrictive setting to least restrictive setting, also thinking about independence.
- Eating Supports Rate according to level of support needed.
- Mobility Rate according to level of support and independence.
- How They Spend Their Day Think about level of need & service as well as how integrated they are in their community

When you are finished placing them in order I want you to shout out the category you've worked on and sit down.

Be prepared to discuss how you made your decisions about the order.

Any questions? Go!

Ok, we have one group that has finished, keep working until you have your cards in the order you think is correct.

It looks like every group has finished. Let's go over what order you all chose. I want to remind you that these examples are listed to make you think about the concept of least restrictive supports, and that everyone may place things in different order depending on their viewpoint and experience. We want to discuss how you came to your answers.



Go to the group that did Living Options and ask them,

Living Options, what is the order of your cards?

After the group reports the order they've placed the examples in:

Let's talk about your order.

Click to reveal the order on the slide

Compare the group's ranking to the ranking on the slide. If they don't match ask the group to explain how they decided upon the order. For example, "What made you decide that this one was more restrictive that that one?" Talk about their rationale.

You can ask the other groups if they agree with the order the group came up with. If there is disagreement, talk it through with the group.



Go to the group that did Eating Supports and ask them,

Eating Supports, what is the order of your cards?

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Let's talk about your order.

Click to reveal the order on the slide

Compare the group's ranking to the ranking on the slide. If they don't match ask the group to explain how they decided upon the order. For example, "What made you decide that this one was more restrictive that that one?" Talk about their rationale.

You can ask the other groups if they agree with the order the group came up with. If there is disagreement, talk it through with the group.



Go to the group that did Mobility and ask them,

Mobility what is the order of your cards?

After the group reports the order they've placed the examples in:

Let's talk about your order.

Click to reveal the order on the slide

Compare the group's ranking to the ranking on the slide. If they don't match ask the group to explain how they decided upon the order. For example, "What made you decide that this one was more restrictive that that one?" Talk about their rationale.

You can ask the other groups if they agree with the order the group came up with. If there is disagreement, talk it through with the group.



Go to the group that did How They Spend Their Day and ask them,

How They Spend Their Day, what is the order of your cards?

After the group reports the order they've placed the examples in:

Let's talk about your order.

Click to reveal the order on the slide

Compare the group's ranking to the ranking on the slide. If they don't match ask the group to explain how they decided upon the order. For example, "What made you decide that this one was more restrictive that that one?" Talk about their rationale.

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After all the categories have finished summarize what happened.



The goal for each person is to offer the amount of support necessary for a person to be successful.

Each person's strengths and needs are unique, and abilities vary from one domain to another.

One person may need to be fed, while another might just need to have food cut into small bites.

Environmentally, some individuals may need to live somewhere where all sharp objects - such as knives and scissors - are locked to prevent the person from hurting themselves, while others live where they have free access to knives for cooking and scissors for household tasks.

Some may asks for help ordering food when in a restaurant when he/she needs it; otherwise, those who support them wait for them to make known what they want from the restaurant staff.

The level of support needed is different for each person.



Ask: What does Integrated/Inclusive supports mean to you? Take responses

When we use the term "integrated/inclusive" supports, we are talking about supports to people within their community.

Ask: What are some examples of community activities that are inclusive? Take responses Examples:

- Local bowling league
- Meet up group for crafting or book club
- Special Olympics Unified Sports

It is the right of all individuals, including those experiencing disabilities, to have opportunities for participation, membership, and friendship within the community.



For working age members, we must always consider employment first.

- Be sure to discuss employment with those members because people with disabilities can work.
- There are many benefits to employment for all of us, and these are just as important to the people we serve.

We understand some have elderly members who won't want to or are not able to work.

- People like to be helpful, feel useful regardless of age
- Explore meaningful ways for them to spend their days
- You might consider volunteerism

Person Centered Practices embrace the value of Least Restrictive and Inclusive Supports AND Strive to promote this value to improve

the lives and experiences of individuals who have disabilities and chronic health conditions

Person Centered Thinking and Planning embrace the value of Least Restrictive and Inclusive Supports and strives to promote this value to improve the lives and experiences of individuals who have disabilities.

End of Least Restrictive and Inclusive Supports Section.
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Person Centered Practices support empowering individuals to have autonomy and independence in their lives.

Choice & Control

Choice is not just about preferences. Having choice with control is how we:
Give purpose and meaning to our lives

Creating our unique definition of being fulfilled

Develop and maintain reciprocal relationships that sustain us
Create our own supportive environments

Preserve the practices that reflect our culture

Manage our day to day lives so we have

More moments that make up good days
Fewer moments that make up bad days
Can cope when we experience loss or have a bad day

Having choices is not just about preference. Choice with control is how we:

Give purpose to our lives

• Creating our unique definition of being fulfilled

Develop and maintain reciprocal relationships that support and nurture us

Create our own supportive environments

It helps us to preserve the practices that reflect our culture

Manage our day to day lives so we have

- More moments that make up good days
- Fewer moments that make up bad days
- Can cope when we experience loss or have a bad day

You can find Michael Smull's paper about Choice and Control at the link on the slide.



Ask: How do we help members to gain control over their lives? Pause for responses

It requires us to understand:

- What a person wants
- Where they want it
- When they want it
- Why they want it
- How they want it

Person-centered service planning helps us to get the answers to those questions.



Our decisions are based on our choices, but:

- Making a choice is not just picking between two options
- All choices have limitations and impact and the person needs to know what those are
- They aren't really choices if the person doesn't find the options appealing



Choice has balance and boundaries.

All choice can be irresponsible, but others dictating lifestyle is unacceptable.

Balance can be achieved with good support. However, finding the balance can create conflict.

We all have a right to make choices, even bad choices.

Ask: We've all made bad decisions haven't we? Did we learn from our mistakes?



When speaking of choice, there are boundaries for everyone: Some are imposed by society

- We have laws we all have to abide by
- There are expectations/values imposed by the community and/or by our culture

We all have personal values

• What is and is not OK for me and those I trust

Our choices can have a ripple effect – a choice may create boundaries

- My relationships
- My work
- Where I live

The difference is when the boundaries are set for the convenience of the system, the result may be limiting choices that meets the person's desires:

- Operation hours
- staff available
- policies or procedures.

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Sometimes our choices are limited because of our resources or lack thereof. Sometimes they involve too much risk.

Then there are cultural boundaries that may influence our choices due to our values.



To have informed choice requires that the person

- Knows what they want
- They know what is possible
 - Which includes what is desirable
- But they also must understand the risks and trade-offs involved

Many members have had limited life experiences and will require a structured discovery process in order to acquire the skills needed. Many may need opportunities to try new things, take some risk, and learn from mistakes.



This activity can be done either by revealing each choice and taking a show of hands, or giving participants a chance to write things in their workbook.

To understand more about decision making, let's think about how we make decisions. Click

Ask: Do you jump right in? Click Ask: Ease into it? Click Ask: Consult others? Ask: Who do you talk to when trying to make an important decision? Click Ask: Avoid it? Click Ask: Weigh the pros and cons?

As you can see, we all have different ways of approaching decisions. Click

Ask: Do we know the answer to this question for the members we support?

Discussion can occur after the last question reveals itself.



There are different types of decision making as well.

Informed Decision Making

Most of us use this to come to a decision.

• Discovery of options comes from using outside sources and our own experiences to uncover possible outcomes and potential consequences

Substituted Decision Making

Decisions are made by someone else

- Legally parents, guardians or court ordered power of attorney
- Someone might be making decisions on behalf of person because of impairment

Supported Decision Making

The person receives help to understand options to make an informed choice.





Be sure to have flip chart papers, one for each question with the question at the top, up on the wall to record answers to the following questions:

1. What really annoys or irritates you?

A. 2 sheets may be needed

- 2. What do you do?
- 3. What do you do? (response to you are not in charge of where you live right now)
- 4. One Year Later...
- 5. Five Years Later...
- 6. What would it take to trust?

Record participant answers on the corresponding flip chart paper. Allow 20-60 minutes (depending on time available for discussion).

Ask: What is one of your pet peeves, or something that others do that just sets you off?

Record answers on flip chart paper. Encourage people to share until the group begins to run out of items.

Ask: So if someone is doing that, what do you normally do to show how you feel?

Record answers on flip chart paper

Imagine you are now living in a place where all of these things happen. (Read some of the items they have listed)

All of these behaviors are present, and even the ones you thought about and didn't say. However, you cannot leave this place, you have to stay. You are not in charge of where you live right now.

Ask: Think about how you would feel, <u>then tell us what you would</u> <u>do</u> to show other people how you feel?

Record answers on "What would you do?" sheet. If participants list feelings, redirect to what they would <u>do.</u> Review the responses with the group.

Here is how the system generally responds to those behaviors:

- People who are aggressive get to move, but to someplace where what irritates them happens more and where they have even less freedom and more people are there;
- People who run away are caught and move to the same place that the aggressive people have moved to, it is a place that is locked;
- People who scream, are "non-compliant", etc. get a behavior program where something that is important to them is taken away and they have to earn its return by not screaming, but there is no other change;
- People who are passive get ignored (and we will call it their choice)
- People who withdraw get a socialization program, or one-toone staff attention with a staff member who is particularly irritating to them; and
- People who try to please get praised but still have no change in the behaviors they have to tolerate

It is now a year later and nothing has changed. The behaviors that irritate are still present, and you have a "program." No one has acted on your distress except as was just described.

Ask: Think about how you feel NOW, and tell us how you would behave? What are you doing? Again, remember we want to know how you feel and not how other people would feel, and we want to know what you are doing that lets others know how you feel." Recorder writes down their responses (on the "One year later" sheet).

Review them with group applying the same system logic as before.

"It is now 5 years later. The behaviors that irritate and annoy are still going on. But now someone comes and does a person centered plan with you. This person is truly gifted at listening and hears what you are saying with words and behaviors. The planner hears your distress and captures it on paper. The plan is reviewed with you and you discover that it not only describes and explains exactly what irritates and annoys you, but also says what needs to change so that these behaviors will no longer be part of your life. After this remarkable experience, the planner leaves, giving the plan to the facility manager on the way out. The facility manager says, "Just what I needed for the people from licensing who are coming next week." The manager then puts the plan in a file, but nothing really changes, everything goes back to the way it was. Ask: Now how do you feel? What would you do? Write responses on "Five years later" sheet. Emphasize the themes on the sheet.

Ask: Who are you angrier with, the planner or the manager? Why? Facilitate a brief discussion around their answers. Possible responses:

• Expect things like, the manager always acted that way - not a surprise

• Planner got my hopes up and the let down was harder, etc. Be sure to make the point, there is no right answer, everyone will feel betrayed and let down, who they focus this on doesn't change their feelings.

This is a place like those found in the soap operas.

The first planner was actually the evil twin of the real planner.

- The manager attended a person centered thinking training
- Has had a life changing realization that what they do at their work must change
- The manager comes back ready to implement the plan
- The planner is eager to make the changes and is happy the manager has seen the light

Ask: Now what will it take for you to trust them?

Record responses on "What would it take to trust" sheet.

Click to next slide for discussion



Let's talk a little about this interesting exercise.

Click

Ask: How did you feel during this exercise?

Possible responses and points to make:

 See what the effects of being powerless and not listened to would be in their own lives (and see the effects on other people who are also not labeled)

Click

Ask: How does this relate to people receiving supports?

Possible responses and points to make:

- Behaviors and "symptoms", including hitting other people, breaking things, withdrawal, and being desperate to please may be a response to years of not being listened to and being powerless, or not having trusting relationships
- A person centered plan is a promise and that plans that are developed but not implemented represent a betrayal of trust

Ask: Does it give you a better understanding of some of the behaviors you may see from the people you work with?

End of Choice & Control Section.



In summary, Person-Centered Thinking Skills are a set of skills that reflect and support values that:

- Drive the learning cycle
 - You are constantly learning new information and discovering new paths to explore
- Help us to support rather than fix
- Work for humans and at every level in the organization
- Create a culture of learning, partnership and accountability
- Affirms and reinforces our belief that everyone can learn



Remember

- This is not about creating better paper.
- The only reason to do all of this work is for it to make a difference in people's lives.



The most important principle of PCP is identifying what is

- Important to the person
- Important for the person

Ask: What do you think is the difference between these two? Pause for responses.



Important to includes the things in life which help us to be fulfilled, satisfied, comforted, and happy. That includes:

- Our important relationships
- Having status and control
- Things we like to do and places we like to go, things we like to have
- Our rituals and routines that bring order and predictability to our lives
- Our preferred rhythm or pace of life



These are the things that matter most to the person.

Emphasize - this is about all humans not just about people with disabilities

What is "important to" includes only what the person is "saying" is important either with words or their behavior

Ask: How many of you are living with another adult?

Select 1 person and ask them Is your partner's behavior ever at odds with what they say with words?

Ask: "When what they say is different from what they do - which do you listen to, words or deeds?"

Hopefully the person will answer – "deeds" – so we already know that we should listen to behavior

When we do not trust people we are hyper-vigilant about what they do much more than about what they say.

For people who use long term care services -

We often need to look at behavior because we have done a really good job of training people to tell us what we want to hear.

When people don't use words to talk, we have to listen to their behavior, and ask why.

Possible example

Ask: If you were working with someone who needed insulin injections but hated them and the finger sticks that go with them – would diabetes management be important to or important for?

Issues of Health	Issues of Safety	What's Necessary to Help Person
 Prevention of Illness Treatment of illness/medical conditions Promotion of wellness (e.g.: diet, exercise 	 Environment Well being – physical and emotional Free from fear 	 Be valued Be respected Be a contributing member of their community

While "important for" includes issues of health and safety, it also includes those things that we are paying attention to in helping the person be a valued member of their community.

Illustrate with a brief story like this -

You are working with someone who dresses appropriately for the weather, you show-up to take them to a job interview during the summer and they are wearing a tank top, running shorts and flip-flops.

Ask: Do you say something or just take them to the job interview?

TIPS:

It never hurts to use humor – ask how many people have teenagers at home, then ask if they have ever said to the teenager "Where are you going dressed like that?" Point out that the teenager is dressing to be a valued member of their teen community while the parent is asking them to dress to be a valued member of the larger community.



One of the mistaken assumptions about PCP is that we only listen to what is "important to" and ignore what is "important for."

We all have examples of where "it was their choice" was used as an excuse – but we don't want to set people up to be hurt.

It's about:

- Informed choice
- Providing one with the information and supports necessary to make an informed decision regarding the risks associated with their behavior

Balance is what everyone seeks in their own lives, and it's not always easy.

When our lives feel out of balance we look to see what we can change to get a better balance.

It's always shifting.

Again the emphasis is on balance. There are 3 challenges:

1st is to discover what is *important to* each person,

2nd is to help those providing the support find a balance between to and for.

3rd, keep in mind that finding a balance is also about tradeoffs.

Don't forget, having what is 'important to' relates to being healthy and safe as well.

When things that are important to you are missing, we often act in ways contrary to what is important for us.



Learning about what is "important to" the person first is critical

Most people won't do anything" important for" them unless some part of "important to" is involved.

- Important to is needed to create buy-in
- Maintaining a balance is always changing and involves tradeoffs between the two

Health, safety, valued social roles should be considered in the context of what is important TO.

It's not about being Happy OR Healthy, Satisfied OR Safe. It's about being Happy AND Healthy, Satisfied AND Safe.

We don't want health and safety without considering what creates happiness and fulfillment to the person.



Click & read each bullet as they appear ASK for examples from participants for each statement.

Provide examples if struggling:

- Tradeoffs important to us
 - Some people love living in a particular place
 - Are willing to make tradeoff when living there means a longer commute to a job they love
 - Spending time with friends or family
 - Buying something expensive
- Tradeoffs important to and important for
 - Fun time with friends may be important
 - Having a clean house part of being valued by friends
 - House cleaning may come before having fun with friends
 - Expressing personal opinions and saying what's on his mind important to
 - Not cussing in front of neighbors may be important for him
 - We may love to eat good food but know it will cause heartburn later
 - Like to sleep in on the weekends, but will get up early to hike with a friend



Lets have some practice sorting out Important to and Important for. Find this handout in the activity section of your packet and try to figure these out for yourself.

Give 5 minutes

Ask: How was that for you? Take some responses.

Finding out the information for this tool is often not as simple as asking the person. You will glean this information from what you learn with the discovery tools.

Being able to see what is *important to* people and separating it from what is *important for* is the fundamental skill, *and is probably the most important guiding concept in person-centered planning*.



Now we're going to talk about Julie's story. You can find it in the "Stories" section of your booklet.

0	What works/makes sense	What doesn't work/make sense
Julie's perspective	 Shopping for favorite things Having lots of jewelry and no one getting into them without my ok Having my sister Joanne in my life Lots of blue, red and black clothes Polished nails, many colors & layers Living with Teddy, the Yorkshire ⇒ Sleeping on my bed at night ⇒ Snacks from my plate ⇒ In my lap when I watch TV 	 Staff don't let me drink what I want Teddy leaving me during mealtimes Staff not letting me buy things I want
Staff's perspective	 Favorite people doing activities with her, especially John Dandy Keeping Julie from falling – reminders to use her walker Level blood sugar - staff knowing signs of low and high blood sugar Joanne is active in Julie's life Planning before she goes shopping 	 Julie is less steady on her feet and falling more than she used to If you don't make a plan with her before shopping, she will want to buy more than she has money for – Julie may get very upset which can alter her blood sugar Julie gives Teddy food off her plate.

Read Julie's Story with this slide up.

In this story you are the new house manager and one of the people that live in the house is Julie...

Julie is a young woman for whom life is going as well as it ever has. She has spent most of her life in an institution and moved to this group home about one year ago. She gets to shop and buy things that she wants. She has things that she likes. She gets her nails done. And most important, she has Teddy. At some time in her past something happened that caused her to not bond with people – she has been labeled as having an attachment disorder. For the first time in her life she has formed a real attachment. She is in love with Teddy. Teddy was the group home manager's dog, but the group home manager moved on and Teddy did not.

There are still challenges in Julie's life. She has severe diabetes and is referred to as a "brittle diabetic". This means that her blood sugar can change rapidly. Feeling upset, angry or even very happy will affect her blood sugar. She needs to have her blood sugar checked a number of times a day and gets frequent injections of insulin, she hates the finger pricks and needle sticks that go with this. Part of what staff does to help control her blood sugar is to weigh her food – this helps them know how much insulin she will need. But one of the things that make sense to Julie is to feed Teddy from her plate. This keeps staff from knowing how much insulin she should have. The staff response is to lock Teddy in another room. But there are other people in the house who

are distressed by Teddy's exile and let him out. Once he is back at Julie's side removing him upsets her which upsets her blood sugar.

You are the new house manager what would you do?

After reading, ask: What do you think you would do about Teddy eating food off of her plate? Get consensus on a "Teddy plate"

The staff who support Julie are smart and caring – why do you think they had not come up with the Teddy plate idea? (you are looking for ideas such as tunnel vision on health and safety, a culture of control, etc.)

We get trapped in the current way we think about supporting people. The rest of the training will give you some tools to help people get "unstuck."

We often train staff to have tunnel vision about health and safety, and forget to look at what's important to people.

TIPS:

You can tell the stories or pass out the written copies. It works better if you tell the stories, but only if you are an OK or better story teller. Remember that if you tell the stories you have, to tell them as stories, don't just read them out loud.

Having highlighters on the tables is also helpful as some people will start highlighting 'important to' and 'important for' info as they read/hear it.



OK, with the information you've been given, you're going to try to figure out what is *important to* Julie and *important for* her.

The "Teddy plate" answer reflects a balance between important to and important for.

We have another question at the bottom - "what else do we need to know?" This question should always be there because we never know everything and recognizing what we don't know is often critical in our efforts.

Ask the participants to work in groups (each table is a group) and have them fill this page based on Julie's story and the information in the works/doesn't work slide. Put Julie's "works/ doesn't work" slide back up.

The process should be consistent for the rest of the training – get people started and then wander around and help. When 80% of the people are done, ask for examples of what they wrote.

After participants share their answers, Click to show them the Julie answer slide. Give everyone a copy.

TIPS:

Be sure that you have your handouts are organized so that people don't get the "answers" before they do the work.

If someone comes up with a great answer that isn't on the sheet acknowledge it and move on.

On Julie's answer slide and a number of the other answer slides there could be more written, but there isn't room on the slide.

What is important to Julie?	What is important for Julie?
Relationship with Teddy Having some control – • Over what happens with Teddy • What she buys/wears • Her things Shopping a lot Her sister & John Dandy in her life Staying busy at the day service Drinking as much as she wants	 Keeping diabetes under control Monitoring blood sugar, giving insulin Weighing her food Controlling amount she drinks Helping her stay calm Supporting her relationships with Teddy Keeping her from falling Planning in advance/budgeting in advance for shopping
What else do you	need to learn/know?

Here are the answers for Julie.



Think about where the people who have disabilities often are.

The required minimum standard is "service life":

- Issues of health and safety are adequately addressed
- Presence of what is "important to" depends on who supports you/how much they care
 - It is random and unpredictable.

A good but Paid Life is not a bad place to be.

- Most (about 80%) of what is important to you is present
- You are healthy and safe.

But if we look at who is close to you:

- Either family,
- Other people who use services,
- Or people who are paid.
- You go to places in the community where you are welcomed
 - You have some community presence.
 - Real community connections are lacking.
- What you have is fragile in that you are dependent on the ongoing commitment of the organization that supports you.

Community Life is the goal. When you are here you may still have:

- People who are paid in key roles,
- Those who watch out for you and plan with you are mostly unpaid
- You are not just present, but participating.
- Your gifts are recognized and there are opportunities for you to make a contribution.

Community Life represents the intent of the CMS HCBS Rules.



When you look across the lifespan and a typical trajectory for most people, there are general milestones and expectations as people age. ASK: What are examples of this?

Possible examples:

- School Participate in extracurricular activities
- Transition Expectations to work or go to college
- Aging Retire in our 60s

Those who have just a service life won't follow the same trajectory.

The more someone is involved in community life, the more likely they are to experience a full life.

If doing intentional planning guided by the person's vision and goals, combined with supports to help achieve the goals and vision, the more likely their life would mirror the life trajectory we typically expect.

End of Important To/Important For section.


In order to be successful when planning with members, you have to have meaningful conversations.

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What you see and/or hear depends on what you are looking and/or listening for. Person centered planning requires us to "look and listen" differently. It's all about listening to have better understanding and for that, one must let go of what you want to hear or are afraid to hear.



Here's a video that illustrates that concept.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGQmdoK_ZfY

Questions in video – if possible, pause video with each question to get responses from participants: How many noticed the gorilla? How many saw the player with the black shirt leave? How many saw the color of the curtain change?

Have any of you seen this video before?



There are three ways to have a conversation – linear, branching, meandering.

With the linear approach, you talk with the person simply about how they go about their day.

- What is a typical morning like?
- Move through talking about the day in pieces and asking for good and bad versions of that part of the day

The branching approach stars the same way, walking through time with the person. However, you look for opportunities for the person to tell you related stories about other parts of their life

Meandering is the most natural way to have a conversation, but it can also be difficult.

- Instead of walking through time with someone, you start with an initial question and follow wherever it leads.
- Shape the conversation to hear stories about what's important to the person across all areas of life
- This requires skill to have a mental map of what you want to learn while also listening for the unexpected.

In the resource section of your binder is an article by Michael Smull on conversation styles.



Meaningful conversations are just that - <u>Conversations</u> - Not an interview or interrogation.

The first phase is engagement.

- Sets the stage for process
- Start with small talk
- Explore common interests and experiences
 - Share something about yourself
- Ask permission for topics of discussion
- Think about what you want to say before you speak

Ensure that the member remains in charge as we learn.



During the discovery phase, you try to get to know them better. This is where you ask more personal, open ended questions.

Show that you want to hear what they have to say.

- Ask about their life and experience
- Favorite places to go
- What do you think would be the perfect job?
 - What do you like about that?
- Learn about their family
 - What do you like to do with your family?
- How many siblings do you have?
- Ask about where and how they spend their days
 - What do you do during the week?
 - How long have you been there?
 - What do you like about it?
 - Would you like to do something else?

Remember past discussions and ask them about something they've told you before

- How is your pet?
- Did you have fun on your vacation?
- How was the movie you said you were going to see?

You can always look around and observe objects or photos to help start a conversation.



To get to know them on a deeper level:

Follow general questions by asking for more detail

- "Tell me more about that..." is always a good question
- What was that like for you?

Acknowledge the feelings expressed and respond accordingly

Discover their goals and dreams with questions like

• What do you think would be perfect job?

For older members

• What used to be your favorite thing to do?



Listen well by practicing active listening

- Take the time to listen and try to understand their words
- Repeat back to them what they said and check for understanding
- Be patient and respect silence
- Be aware of behavior and body language, both yours and theirs
 - Stay open, relaxed and turned toward the person
 - Nod, smile and use other facial expressions
 - Maintain eye contact
- Approach conversation openly
- Listen to different viewpoints without reacting negatively hear them out
- Validate their feelings and experience

In your resource section of the binder you have a paper about Active Listening written by Carl Rogers and Richard Farson.



Here's a case example of the interview process.

After video is finished:



Ask the following questions – click for each to appear: What types of conversations did you observe?

How did the case manager show she was listening?

In what ways did she connect on a deeper level?

Do you think the member felt she was heard?





Use flip chart paper to record answers. Draw a line down the middle and head columns with Important To and Important For.

Be sure to explore further if things that are "Important For" are identified as "Important To" and vice versa. Talk them through it.

Ask: From watching this interview, do you get any ideas of what might be important for Vee?

Write responses down in the Important To column.

- Possible responses:
 - Her grandson
 - Spending time with family
 - Cooking and sewing
 - Getting to see her grandson
 - Spending time with her granddaughter
 - Teaching her granddaughter how to be a good woman
 - Being in the loop (knowing why grandson is in jail)

Any ideas about what is Important For Vee?

Write responses down in the Important For column. Possible responses:

- Being around people
- Having someone check-in or live with her
- Mental and emotional well-being
- Hygiene/personal care needs met

What else do we need to learn?

Take a few responses from the group.



There are many prompting questions on the new Person-centered service plan.

Use the prompting questions as a jumping off point to help you remember important topics to cover.

Follow up with more specific questions for deeper understanding

- Tell me more about that...
- What do you like about that...

Don't ask prompting questions that don't apply to the person.

You can reword them in ways to help the member understand.



Be sure to document information obtained during the meeting. Each section has space for a summary or notes of what was discussed. Since you will be using a conversational format, you will likely hear information when asking about one section that may give you what you need in another.

Documentation must be meaningful:

Think about whether or not the next person touching the file will understand what is important.

Don't forget – any issue discussed that requires follow up must be documented in the Action Plan. It doesn't have to be related to a specific goal or outcome.



Discovering strengths and preferences of the member is one of the most important tasks.

Ask: How would you find this out?

Take a few responses.

Click

Here are some questions on the new service plan to help you determine some of this:

- What are you good at?
- What do others like and admire about you?
 - Asking team members this question is a great way to start out the meeting on a positive note.
 - Doesn't include things we only say about people with disabilities.
- Who do you like providing support?
 - What is it about them that makes them a good supporter?
- Are there activities you used to enjoy doing that you can no longer do?
- Do you have any beliefs or preferences that affect the care you receive?

Remember, these are just a jumping off point.



Recording of preferences and strengths is extremely important for people who will be supporting the member.

Be sure to include:

- How the person communicates
 - Do they speak or use assistive technology?
 - Do they use sign language?
- Important routines and rituals
 - What are the important features of their schedule?
- Favorite things to do
- How they like to spend their time

You can't always find out these types of things by asking direct questions. You may get some of the answers from the team members who know the person best.

Person-Centered Thinking Discovery Tools are helpful to gain deeper understanding of a person's preferences and strengths.



The new HCBS rules require that settings must be integrated and support access to the greater community.

Be sure to document if:

- The setting is the member's choice
- Community integration is supported



When discussing home life, all questions should be modified to reflect appropriateness for the member's age and living setting.

You want to ask questions about:

- Did the member choose
 - Where they live
 - Who they live with
 - Those who provide support
- Do they have privacy?
- Do they have access to technology?
- Do they have access to their own money?



Explore whether or not the member is able to make day-to-day decisions about:

- Eating
- Activities
- Ability to go places
- Who they spend time with

Ask the member if they want to hear about or see other living settings.

Remember, any negative answers as a result of health and safety risk needs to be addressed when identifying risks.



Here are the things to be sure to document:

- Current home conditions
- Were alternative settings discussed

If the member is not happy with current living setting or wants to look at options, be sure to note this in goals and action plan.



Talking about daily life. Once again, questions regarding how they spend their days should be modified to reflect appropriateness for the member's age and setting.

The goal is that the setting is the most integrated, least restrictive and affords full access to community living.

Document if setting is the member's choice and if community integration is supported and in alignment with the member's interests, preferences, abilities and health and safety.



Obviously children don't have a choice about whether they go to school, but work with parents to make sure they understand educational rights.

- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
- Section 504

Inform families about advocacy organizations like Raising Special Kids, AZ Center for Disability Law, etc. if needed.

However, begin talking with children about:

- What they want to be when they grow up
- What are their hopes and dreams

These things are not always talked about with children with disabilities Start instilling the expectation that they will be employed when they are adults.



For youth:

Continue talking with them about their hopes and dreams for the future

Help to identify the youth's strengths

- What do they like to do?
- What are they good at?

Talk about education and future opportunities

Promote "Employment First" when talking about transitioning to adulthood

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Some ways to encourage Employment First is to help the youth and family discover

- Are there things the youth has done or is doing that might transfer to job skills?
- Ways to gain more skills through volunteering
- Part-time work

Referring to Vocational Rehabilitation as early as age 14 for

- Pre-employment services to learn soft skills and
- Vocational training and services when ready for employment

Talk with families about AZ DB 101 to learn about how working affects benefits.



Here are some things to cover when working with adults. If of working age – promote "Employment First" – People with disabilities can

work too.

Talk about how they spend their day and Did they choose:

- What they do and where they go?
- The type of program they attend?
- The type of job they have?

Are they able to spend time with the people they want to spend their time with?



You can also ask the member: Do they have concerns about their daily life? Would they like to do something different?

If so, explore with them what some of the options might be, based on their strengths and preferences.



Be sure to document:

- Their current situation
- Whether or not you discussed alternative settings and any information you provided to them to help them make a choice

If the member isn't happy with the current state of affairs and/or wants to look at other options be sure to note this in the Goals section and the action plan.

Remember, any negative answers as a result of health and safety risk needs to be addressed when identifying risks.



Collection of medical information is always a big part of service planning. However, if possible, try to update medical info prior to the meeting by phone or email.

- Have a discussion with the member about how they are feeling both emotionally and physically
- Are there changes in medical status or medication?
- Try to guide the member in taking more of a leadership role in their health care

End of Conversations Section.

This is a good time for lunch break. After break:

Person-Centered Thinking

DISCOVERY TOOLS

The Person-Centered Thinking Discovery Tools can help you connect to a deeper understanding of the person.



PCT Discovery tools are helpful to obtain information not easily obtained by asking direct questions.

Very helpful in discovering what's "Important To" and "Important For" the person.

These concepts are essential to inform plans in regards to the person's

- Preferences and strengths
- Relationships that are important to them
- What works and doesn't work what needs to change and what needs to remain the same
- Information to inform how best to support the member



These tools help you to identify Important To & Important For and the balance between the two.

The Discovery/Listening Skills tools to gain deeper insight and understanding that we are going to talk about are:

- Relationship Map
- Rituals & Routines
- Good Day/Bad Day
- Communication Chart
- Working/Not Working

Later we will discuss tools to help analyze the information discovered and to continue to grow the plan.



Finding out more about the people that are close to the member can help your planning in a variety of ways.

Some important relationships are:

- Family of choice
- Close relationships
- People who are paid to provide services and supports
- People who provide natural supports
 - Non-paid supports & community connections



One of the most important PCT discovery tools is the Relationship Map.

Activity We're going to have each of you fill out a relationship map for yourself.

Explain how to use the relationship map by reading the directions on the slide. If the group doesn't seem to understand, you can demonstrate by filling one out for one of the instructors.

Have everyone fill out their own relationship map. Give a few minutes for people to fill them out.

Ask: How was that for you? Pause for responses.

Once you have filled this out with the member, it should give you an idea of who they see as important to them. Can also be used as the basis for other discussions.



Another helpful way to obtain information regarding support needs is the 2 minute drill. This is where the member and/or caregiver has 2 minutes to give an overview or summary of what someone needs to know to provide support to the member.

We're going to give you an opportunity to experience this.

READ SCENARIO ON SLIDE.

Find the activity sheet that says "2 Minute Drill for _____."

Everyone pick someone you don't know to be your partner.

Give some time for them to find someone. After they are paired up: Click

Read slide

You will each have a chance to do a two-minute talk while the partner takes notes to determine the best way to provide supports for you to be successful. You will each have a turn.

Ask: Any questions before we start?

Time for 2 minutes.

Have recorder take notes about what the person wants them to know about what is important and how they can best be supported.

2 minutes

Time for another 2 minutes

Have recorder take notes about what the person wants them to know about what is important and how they can best be supported. 2 minutes

Ask: Was this helpful? Does it give you a start to know what else you need to know, things to look out for?



This is how to use the information you obtained to discover what is Important to/Important for the person.

Review info on the slide.

Find the activity sheet that says "Partner's Name: ______" to record what is Important to/Important for your partner. Click to next slide to show example of activity sheet. Each person will complete this for their partner. You will use this sheet to compile information about this person for all of the partner exercises which will result in an initial person-centered description for each of you. Return to this slide.

You'll have 10 minutes for this activity. I will give you a heads up at 5 minutes to make sure you switch so each person has a turn.

When finished:

Partner's	Name:				
			Important TO me	,	
		What others ne	eed to know and do t	o best support me	

After showing this, go back to previous slide.

When returning to this slide after activity:

Ask: Would anyone like to share their experience? Allow a few people to share if they want.

The 2 minute drill is a quick way to learn a lot about a person.


Another important Discovery Tool is Routines and Rituals.

- We all have routines and rituals that help guide us through our days that bring consistency and a sense of control to our lives.
- These are little things that contribute to our happiness.
- Documenting this information let's others know how to best support us.

The question isn't whether or not people have important rituals or routines, the question is which ones need to be described.

The more significant the routine is to the person and the less control that person has over his/her life the more important it is to have it written in a way that assures that the person gets it.

Ask the following for a show of hands:

- How many of you are morning people?
- How many of you crawl out of bed and don't like to talk until you have coffee?
- How would the non-morning people feel if they were awakened by cheerful morning people who want to talk?
- What if they insisted on waking you up one hour early because it was convenient for them?
- Who showers in the morning? At night?

We all have set routines we go by.



In a minute, we're going to have you all write out your morning ritual in detail, but first let's look at Amanda's morning ritual. You can find this in your workbook under the Stories tab.

Read Amanda's ritual to class.

Amanda's Morning Ritual

7:00 am Alarm goes off, clock says 7:15 a.m. Music ONLY no buzzer hit snooze once or twice (depending on how late I went to sleep) get up at 7:09 or 7:18 a.m. If up late skip breakfast.

Stand in closet, with door shut so light won't wake husband and decide what I'm going to wear for the day.

7:15 am Take clothes to bathroom, turn on water in shower-must be hot, remove pj's, get in shower, 1st wash body with MILD soap, then wash hair-mild shampoo, rinse, sometimes shave legs

7:25 am Get out of shower, use 100% cotton towel that is not 'slick', dry off hair 1st work down to ankles. Feet dry on their own. Spray conditioner (Paul Mitchell) leave in and comb through

Wash face with Clinique-mild soap, no wash cloth, use clarifying lotion and

remove eye make-up with Clinique make-up remover

Put on deodorant and powder-antiperspirant (only if really hot). Put on underwear, then top. put on eye liner and mascara-No other make-up! (hurts face) Put mousse in hair.

7:45 am Go into kitchen fix breakfast: Bran cereal w/skim milk, banana, OJ. Eat breakfast in living room while watching the Today Show and the Weather Channel on the 8's sometimes

7:48 am Give cereal bowl to Oreo the cat

8:00 am Go back to bathroom, blow dry hair: Use big brush and spray gel to hold

8:17 am Brush teeth, put on slacks or skirt. Find shoes

8:23 am Quickly kiss husband good-bye and decide if coming home for lunch. Look for keys and purse, run out the door get in car, leave for work

Ask: What are a just a few things you learned about Amanda from reading her ritual?

Point out a few items from one of the sample morning rituals and note that you want similar detail. Amanda is a trainer who lives in Missouri. E.G. - the use of personal care products – some can be generic some can't. Is that true for those in the audience? One way to illustrate what you are looking for is to say –

Notice that Amanda gets partially dressed, then does a few other things, and only then finishes getting dressed. How many of you get dressed all at once? How many of you get dressed in phases – that is, you put some clothes on then go do something else and then put

on some additional clothes, etc?

This is the kind of detail that we are looking for.

<u>Know your audience</u>. This exercise has been used for more than a decade. If you are doing this with a group where a number of people have already done this exercise they will be cranky if they are made to do it again. Offer them the opportunity to describe another ritual in detail.

Feel free to substitute your own ritual here. Just remember that you want detail written, but you will lose your audience if you read it out loud. Providing your own personal examples sometimes help people connect with you as a trainer and assists them in feeling more comfortable in sharing their personal information. Again, emphasize the importance of detail – note that it is because of the detail that we know that it is important to Amanda to know what the weather is going to be.



Find the sheet in the activity section that says "_____''s Morning Routine," and fill in your name. Use this page to write your morning ritual in detail. However, be aware that someone else will be reading it; so don't record something you don't want others to know.

We don't need to know about anything that "leaves your body," so please omit that part.

The ritual should start when you get out of bed and end when you are ready for the day, and/or leave for work.

Tell us how long things take, what time it starts and what time it ends. Give 10 minutes.



Now get together with your same partner and switch your routines.

Work together to review each other's morning ritual and learn what's important to your partner.

Take the sheet of paper that has "Partner's Name" at the top.

Read your partner's routine, then -

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You're going to use your partner's description of their Morning Ritual to learn "What's Important to" and "How to Support" them. You'll work with your same partner and go through the guess, ask and write process like you did the last time.

Click on the next slide.

Come back to this slide. Give 10 minutes



Review info on the slide.

Click back to previous slide

Give them about 10 minutes to do this. Be sure they switch after 5 minutes.

When finished:

Would anyone like to share their experience?

Allow people to share what happened for them.

For a minute, let's talk about getting a new morning ritual. Look at your morning ritual and take out the first 2 things, after getting out of bed. This is now your new morning routine.

Think about how this feels for you? How do you think it would affect your day? Your behavior?

Now think about how this relates to the people we support.



Here are some other rituals that might provide important information.

What other routines or rituals would be helpful to know and understand in order to best support someone?

Refer to the link on the slide – Positive Rituals This information for all of us, but even more important for members with multiple caregivers.

This may be a good time for a break. When back –



Another tool to help gain deeper understanding about what's important to and important for is learning more about what makes a good day or a bad day for the member.



Review slide and emphasize:

Knowing and respecting one's routines and rituals could be the difference between having a good day or a very bad one.

Give an example

Possible story:

Michael Smull tells a story about a man, we'll call him Jack, who absolutely had to have his coffee as soon as he woke up. Anyone who knew him, knew not to talk to him until he at least had one cup of coffee. He lived in a group home. One morning he got out of bed and walked in the kitchen. There was a new staff member he'd never met. He said to the woman, "Coffee." The staff member said, in a singsong voice, "Is that how you ask?" Jack said again, "Coffee." The staff said, "What's the magic word?" Jack again said "Coffee." The staff said, "Not until you say please!"

Jack went off! He started yelling and throwing things and it took a long time to get him to calm down. That was the beginning of a terrible day for him.

Now we're going to look at what makes up a good day or bad day for you at work.

A Really Good Day at Work	A Challenging Day at Work	
 What happened that contributed to your good day? What do you look forward to? Who do you look forward to seeing? What happens that gives you energy to deal with difficult situations? What motivates and interests you at work OR on a work day? 	 What threw your day off? What made the day bad for you? What made you frustrated? Bored? What took the fun out of it? Be sure to include those daily frustrations 	

For example, if looking at work, some things to consider might include: Review slide

This is what you are going to do for yourselves in our next activity.



Writing down a "Good work day/Bad work day"

Everyone take out the sheet in your activity section that looks like this. Give them a second or two to find it.

Think about what a good day and a bad day at work is like for you. What kind of things contribute to a good day at work? Write those down on the left.

Now think about what kind of things contribute to a bad day at work? Write those down on the right side of the paper.

Explain rules (no fantasies, a composite of all the moments together)

Give about 2-5 minutes or so for them to write.

As with the morning ritual exercise, some people find detail easy and some find it difficult. If you are confronted with someone who says "I do not have bad days" ask for bad moments.



Now let's look at how to use the Good day/bad day discovery tool.

You're going to use your partner's description of their Good Day/Bad Day to learn "What's Important to" and "How to Support" them. You'll work with your same partner and use the same activity sheet to go through the guess, ask and write process like you did the last time.

Click on the next slide.

Come back to this slide.

Give 10 minutes, make sure they switch after 5 minutes. When finished:

Using the Info to Determine Important to/Important for		
Guess:	look at the information collected and guess what's important to the person	
Ask:	ask the person if your guess is correct; have a conversation for deeper understanding	
Write:	write down what you learn	

Review info on the slide.

Click back to previous slide

When returning to this slide after activity:

Would anyone like to share their experience?

Do you know what makes a good or bad day for the people you support?

What did you learn from this exercise? How does this apply to your work?

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This diagram shows how to process the information you receive from learning the morning ritual and good day/bad day to determine what is important to the person and what others need to know to support.

Recap example on slide.



Another Discovery Tool is Working/Not Working.



Remember Julie's story? We're going to visit it again to talk about our next discovery tool – Working/Not Working.

Do not tell the story over, just point out -

This gives a picture or snapshot of someone's life at a moment in time. It separates perspectives so that you can see what Julie thinks as opposed to what staff think.

While this slide only has 2 perspectives there could be more – there could be a separate set for Julie's sister.

Don't linger here – you are reminding them that they have seen it before and letting them know that it is what they will be working on next.



Working/Not Working reflects what's currently happening. This should be completed with the team and with everyone's viewpoint.

Remember to always ask the question behind the question to dig deeper.

Use to organize perspectives about a specific issue or to get a snapshot description of NOW			
What's Working	What's Not Working/ Could Improve		
What does the person say is working?	What does the person say is not working or could be better?		
What does the family say is working?	What does the family say is not working or could be better?		
What does the staff person/teacher/therapist (etc.) say is working?	What do they say is not working or could be better?		

Working/Not Working is a snapshot in time that reflects what's happening now.

You could use it to focus on a specific issue or area of life.

It captures what's happening from the perspective of the person, their family or health care decision maker, and the professionals working with them.

After this is completed, it can be used to develop goals and objectives that help people move toward the lives that they want.

This tool can be especially helpful with identifying goals and action planning. The left hand column helps with identifying those things that you wish to maintain or enhance.

The right hand column shows things that need to change.



Who doesn't love a puppy????



This activity can be done in small groups or a large group depending on the number of participants, the layout or size of training room, and/or the amount of time you have. See instructions for both below the intro to the activity. Regardless of the group size for the activity, the trainer will need to prepare flip chart paper for recording. Put a line down the middle and title the left with "What works/makes sense" and the right with "What doesn't work/make sense."

We're going use this tool for an activity to help you learn about how this works. Find this sheet in your activity section of your booklet.

Read the scenario on the top. Be sure to stress this is about what works/doesn't work right now in their lives, not what could work or if contingent upon something else and/or a specific situation.

Use this tool to write down what works and makes sense about getting a new puppy, and what doesn't work or make sense.

Small Groups:

Ask for 1 or 2 examples for each side and then have people work in their groups. Keep it light-hearted and keep people moving. Watch out for groups that are sharing stories without writing anything down. They should be able to generate a decent list in 5 minutes.*



Ask each group to share 1 item on each list. Write the responses on the flip chart paper. After you have asked each group to share, ask how many people would like a new puppy and how many people are saying

something on the order of "Hell will freeze over"? Point out that there seemed to be a lot of agreement about what item(s).

Large group:

Ask participants to give examples for each side, and record on flip chart paper. Write the responses on the flip chart paper. After you have recorded a good number of responses, have the class vote for who agrees for each one and record the number. Point out where there seems to be a lot of agreement on the items.

As you can see, no situation is all good or all bad. What determines what people do is the "weight" that people give to the items. For one person, the "weight" of some of the items in the 'makes sense' column, creates a balance that tips toward having a puppy. For others, the items in the 'doesn't make sense' column cause them to decide that having a new puppy is not worth it.

Would your lists look different if you asked your kids to do this activity? What about your spouse or partner?

0	What works/makes sense	What doesn't work/make sense
Perspective of Person Supported		
Your perspective		
Supervisor's perspective		

You can see how this could be useful in other situations.

Most of these tools have multiple applications, and this is an example. This could be a way to do an employee evaluation that would take into account more than just what the supervisor feels. If you were to add another row that was labeled "co-workers perceptions" you would have what is referred to as a 360 degree evaluation.



Use this sheet from your booklet for you to examine how things are going for you at your job.

Use this tool to write down what works and makes sense vs what doesn't work/make sense for you at work.

Give the class about 5 minutes to do this independently.

What are some ways you might use this tool for yourself?

Possible examples:

- To get a clearer picture of how things are going for you at work
- Determining what changes you might be able to make to make things better
- Deciding whether to look for a new job
- Use for negotiating with your boss

When reviewing what you've written, does it reveal things that are important to you?



Our words and actions matter.

Ask: WHAT TERMS ARE COMMONLY USED IN THE SERVICE COMMUNITY? Don't worry about being politically correct.



Write responses on a flip chart paper

Ask: What do you notice? Take a few responses

Ask: What stands out? Take a few responses

Do we use this language in our own everyday lives? I'm going to read you a story called "The Importance of Language!"

Read the "The Importance of Language!"

While talking about "respect" during a self-assessment workshop, there was a lengthy discussion about the importance of language. Cheryl Rennick, one of the staff members who was participating from Community Living York South, realized there really were two languages – one for people who receive support, and one for people who don't. She went home and wrote the following story about her life using language that is typically used for people who receive support. There really are two languages and we need to stop it! This morning I got up early so that I could complete my hygiene routine before everyone else was up.

At breakfast, I asked my husband, 'What activity would you like to participate in this weekend? Shall we stay home and do our relaxation program or would you prefer to go on an outing?"

"An outing?" "Yes" I said. "You know, go out into the community somewhere."

"I wouldn't mind inviting the Martins over to play some euchre." he suggested.

"The Martins!" I exclaimed. "I don't think so. They're much too low functioning for us. How about inviting the individuals from Willow Lane?"

"Sure." he said. "Sounds like fun to me."

Suddenly something occurred to me. "We can't invite the Willow Lane Gang! Remember the last time they were here they drank too much and then suddenly went into behaviors!"

"Behaviors?" he asked.

"Yes! Remember when he trumped her ace and then she began to verbally aggress against him and we had to de-escalate the situation? After they went home I needed to be PRNed!"

"Well then," said my husband, "Why don't we just go out to a restaurant?"

"Great idea! Should we make it a one on one activity or would you prefer to socialize with a few of our peers?"

Ask: Any thoughts?



There are three main types of communication:

Verbal

Nonverbal

- Includes expressions, gestures, behavior
- Can provide insight into what is said

Visual

• Writing, pictures, symbols



Total communication is communicating in any way you can:

- Talking
- Signing
- With facial expressions and gestures
- Pointing to things to make sure someone understands
- We express ourselves through art as well



Communication is how we build relationships and express our thoughts and feelings.

When communicating, in any way, it's important to feel you're being listened to.

When people don't communicate with words, you just have to be more creative because total communication is the key to inclusion.

Refer to "Total Communication Minibook" in resources section.



Words and behavior don't always match.

Some people don't use words to communicate – so how do we know what they are telling us?

When we really listen, people become more interested in communicating in other ways.



The next discovery tool is the Communication Chart.

It provides an at-a-glance view of important information about how a person communicates nonverbally.

This is useful for everyone, but is especially helpful when supporting people who don't communicate with words.

It supports discovery and informs action.

Who will provide this information?

Possible responses:

- Member
- Family
- Staff
- Friends

Be sure to say "the member" if nobody says it.

Click Read sentence. This is why having a good planning team is so important!



We have four columns:

- What is happening
- I do this
- It usually means
- And I want you to

Point to column 2: We usually start with column 2 describing the behavior we are seeing

Point to column 1: In the "What is happening" column is where we document what is happening when the behavior or action occurs. This is also known as the "trigger."

You may find that you see a behavior in multiple settings or situations, and the meaning could be different for each

Point to column 3: After observation and sometimes some detective work, we document what we think this action, in the setting, means – what the person is trying to tell us.

Point to column 4: Here is where you record what other people should do or not do in response.

What is Happening	Rhonda does	We Think It Means	And We Should
You are pushing Rhonda	Locks her chair	I don't want to go there	Figure out with Rhonda where she wants to go
Rhonda is at the front door	Kicks the door	I want to go out	Help her outside (unless there is too much pollen, about to rain, etc.
Rhonda has stopped eating	Catches your eye, pulls down napkin	I'm done eating	Take leftovers away now
You didn't remove her food	Rhonda sweeps the food off her tray	I told you I was finished and you didn't listen	Clean up and do better next time

Here is a Communication Chart for Rhonda.

Go through and read the Communication chart first.

Then read Rhonda's story:

Rhonda is someone who doesn't use words to communicate, but as you can see she is someone who is quite expressive and a good teacher! Let me tell you a little more about her...

Rhonda lives in a group home and gets to/from her day program by her residential staff. Every day on the way home from her day program the van passes one block that always causes Rhonda to scream. The staff finds this disconcerting, both for themselves and Rhonda and so have learned a different route to get home so Rhonda doesn't scream.

Well, a new staff started at the home and didn't get the memo of the right way to go home. So, of course they went the quickest way, went on that particular block and of course, Rhonda began screaming. Well this staff was pretty observant and noticed on that bock there was an ice cream parlor. They stopped at the ice cream shop and Rhonda screamed until she got vanilla ice cream.

The next time they were on that block, Rhonda screamed until she got chocolate ice cream.

The next time, she screamed until she got a hot fudge sundae! Once we know what someone is telling us, they tend to communicate with us even more!!

This is not to say that you stop and get ice cream every time you are on that block. What it does is open up communication and understanding so you can compromise – "I know you want ice cream, but we had some yesterday and we need to wait until tomorrow/next week until we get some again."

Imagine what life would have been like (especially if you are an ice cream lover like Rhonda) if you avoided that block because people misinterpreted what you were trying to tell them.

Ask:

Can you see how this information could be helpful? It's especially important when the member has multiple caregivers. It always helps for caregivers to share what they've learned or know about the person.

We have a few examples in the workbook. This isn't only for people who don't communicate with words.

You could take a communication chart home and give it to your friends or family and see if they have noticed any telling behaviors about you!



Always keep culture in mind when communicating.

Culture may be a factor if you are hearing statements like these: Review statements on slide.
Keep Culture In Mind

Those providing support should:

- Be aware of their own cultural assumptions
- Be prepared to express point of view in a transparent way

May need to:

- Consider other's cultural values and ask questions
- Plan how to explain cultural issues
- Be prepared to discuss more than once

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When communicating, it's important to:

- Be aware of your own cultural assumptions
- Be prepared to express your point of view differently
- You may need to ask questions for clarification
- Think about how to explain cultural differences
- And be prepared to discuss things more than once

Give an example if you have one.

One possible example:

A man lived in a group home setting. The person's father told the staff member that he would be picking up his son to go to church on Sunday so to make sure to shave him. The staff member was from India, and she asked the father "Are you sure?" The father said yes, please.

When the father came to pick up his son he found that the staff had shaved off all of the hair on his body except the hair on his head! Can you imagine what that experience must have been like for the person being shaved??



Lets do a little poll to see how we might reflect culture in every day life. Raise hands to respond to questions (may not have to do all)

Ask:

Do you see how all of us have different opinions on things? Are your responses similar to what your parent would say?

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In summary, the Discovery Tools help you discover how the person wants to live – what kind of life they really want.

Handout – Listen Ask Flow Chart

Now that we're done using the discovery tools on ourselves, give your partner back the information they shared and the page you used to fill out their Important To/Important For. This is the start of your own Person Centered Description.

End of Discovery Tools Section. End of Day 1.



Beginning of Day 2

Today we want to talk about how all of this fits into developing a Person-Centered Service Plan. We won't be telling you how to complete the new form, but more about how to obtain the information to make it personcentered.



Here are some important definitions regarding Person-Centered Service Planning:

• Member-driven (versus member-centered)

This is the member's plan and they are an active part of the process

- Meaningful/informed choice means we are helping the member obtain all the information they need about options in order to make the best choice for them.
- Natural supports are non-paid supports and community connections.
- The support team can consist of anyone the member identifies.

Remember the member is always present.



The member is in the driver's seat in the planning process.

Information and support needs to be given and time and effort is needed to learn about what the member wants.

The member chooses the people they want to be involved in the planning process.



The new AHCCCS Person-Centered Service Plan is designed to celebrate accomplishments.

The review and revision cycle has not changed:

- Annually for acute care members
- Every 90 days if receiving HCBS
- Every 180 days if in a nursing facility or DDD Group Home

But a review can also be done at any time when circumstances or needs change and/or at the request of the member.



Person-Centered Service Plans are built on the members strengths, preferences and support needs.

They include opportunities for meaningful activities the member finds desirable such as employment, community activities and volunteering.



Person-Centered Service Plans promote independence and community inclusion, and create supports that meet the members needs and life goals.

This might be done with paid services and supports and/or natural/non-paid supports.



It is sometimes easier to describe by saying what it is NOT.

- PCSP is not an attempt to "fix" the person people are not broken
- These are not behavior plans
- Each plan is individualized
- PCSP meetings accentuate the positive don't dwell on reputations or labels



This is what person-centered service planning is:

- A way to organize information & in plain language
- Focuses on a desired future
- Giving respect for choices
- Promotes valued roles
- Positive, respectful & sensitive
- Focused on a person's capacity
- Gives an accurate picture
- Action-oriented (plan-do-evaluate)



Person-centered service planning results in a service plan that identifies:

- Strengths, preferences & needs
- Goals and desired outcomes of the member
- Services/supports to help the member achieve desired outcomes

The plan also identifies risk factors and plans to minimize them in a way that does not restrict someone's rights.



This pyramid is another way of thinking about it, and it is similar to Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs.

Review the contents of the pyramid from bottom to top.

This is not a disability/chronic health condition issue. This is true for all people. A full life has components of all of these levels.

We all need and receive support.

We all contribute, not just through our jobs, but by how we spend time and through relationships.

We all want to have control over our lives – to strive to achieve our dreams.

We've already talked in depth about important to and important for, and the pyramid reflects those aspects as well.

Have any of you ever had a time in your life when you didn't feel safe? The focus of your "dream" then was to be safe.

Had a sudden health crisis - and getting healthy consumed you?

These are times when what is "important for" us becomes the dominant

focus.

How many of you eat or drink something fattening after you have a bad day?

What would happen if you had a bad year?

Having what is 'important to' relates to being healthy and safe. When things that are important to you are missing, we often act in ways contrary to what is important for us.

We All Wants Lives Where We are Supported & Contribute to Our Communities

How do **WE** achieve these goals?

Everyone wants lives where we are supported and contribute to our communities, so how do we achieve these goals for ourselves?

Take responses.

If no responses, ask the following questions: **How do we...**

Stay healthy & safe on our own terms?

Have what/who is important to us in everyday life - people to be with, things to do, places to be?

Have opportunities to meet new people; try new things; change jobs; change who we live with & where we live?

Have our own dreams and our own journeys?



PCP purposefully moves away from fixing or solving problems to one that is focused on:

Providing opportunities and informing the person and their team of possible options so they can make an informed choice.

This could include living arrangements, employment, social networks and other services and supports

Creating avenues for self-actualization and self-expression

Promotes personal freedom

Enhances relationships and helps to build meaningful interdependence. We are all interdependent, aren't we?

And helps to facilitate community involvement and positive valued roles.

Ultimately it builds on the natural (family members, friends) and formal supports (case managers/support coordinators, educators, etc.) and community networks to support the individual.



Play A Credo for Support https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKCxwDF-SrI

Please watch this video. It summarizes all of the values embraced by Person Centered Planning. It is titled, A Credo for Support by Norman Kunc & Emma Van der Klift, two well-known authors in the field.

Self-advocates inspired and read it in this recording.

In my opinion, it could not be said better.

Connect to you tube and show the video. 5 min 7 sec http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wunHDfZFxXw&feature=related

Wrap up: 2 Minutes

Ask: Any comments/reactions?

If anyone asks about Tracy Latimer, the person it was dedicated to, here is the story: This was dedicated to Tracy Latimer, a young woman, girl really, whose father placed her in the family car in the garage with the motor running because he could not imagine his life would be worth living under the same circumstances. At the trial there was an outcry all over the country (Canada) for what do you think? Leniency.

End of section.

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The Planning Team

Roles & Expectations

Let's talk about the planning team.



Having a planning team is extremely important in PCP because we are all interdependent.

Interdependence is a give and take relationship that

- Allows us to be ourselves
- Supports growth
- And allows for flexibility

It's a mutual dependence. All of us depend on others in our lives

- To give advice and support, as well as
- Love, care and acceptance



You can use the Relationship Map to determine who's important to the member.

Some of the questions you might ask to get at the information are:

- Who are you closest to?
- Who do you hang out with or spend most of your time with?
- Who do you to talk to?
- Who do you go to for help or advice?
- Who cares about you?
- Who is important to you?

The map may give you insight on who to invite, but doesn't necessarily dictate it.

This is done from the perspective of the member – who are the people they know and care about.

- Put the member's name in the center
- Fill out each section based on how close they feel to family members, friends, etc.
- Who is paid to provide support?
 - Your doctor
 - Whoever cuts your hair
 - How close do you feel to them?

The information gathered on this relationship map can tell you a lot about the person.

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It's important that this information is verified by the member. This is from their viewpoint. Sometimes family members or residential providers may be upset about where they are placed on the circles, but the member's verification is essential.



Here are some of the people who might be on the planning team. Review slide.

The member should always be present for the meeting. How can a meeting be person-centered if the person is not there?

The team may look a lot differently than it does now.



How team members can contribute to the plan is documented on page 1.

Some may be able to attend in person or by phone on conference. Touch base with the member prior to the meeting to find out who they want to come and what parts they can be present for.

Team members can provide info before or after the meeting if they aren't able to attend.

You may be calling team members after the meeting to follow up on items discussed.



All good plans are done in partnership. Partnerships that work have agreed upon roles.

It might be helpful to think about these roles broken down into *content experts and process experts*.



Content experts know the details about what is important to and important for the member. Of course, the member is the main content expert!

Ask: Who else might this be?

Possible Answers:

- Family
- Direct Care Professionals
- Friends
- Program managers
- Therapists
- Medical professionals

The relationship map can help lead you to the content experts.



The process experts know how to develop plans with people. They are skilled at recognizing how to obtain the necessary information and can pull information from a conversational format.

Ask: Who might these people be?

Answers: Case Manager Support Coordinator

Process experts are the plan facilitators. They need to understand how to develop plans WITH people.



Ask: What is the current practice?

Who is usually sitting around the table when developing the service plan?

What might need to change to have a better balance of "content experts?"

Core	Use judgment	Not our paid
responsibilities	and creativity	responsibility
 Ask member where they want to meet Complete Relationship Map with member and invite chosen people Facilitate meeting – use person-centered process & tools Inform team of known options available Follow up with team on action items Administrative duties 	 Introduce topics that haven't been considered Brainstorm with team Find different ways to capture needed info Guide member to create vision for the future Work with team to find creative ways to reach goals Help team to discover all options Strategies to help team implement the plan 	 Making decisions for member Complete action items assigned to other team members Determining the vision o the future Determining the goals fo the member

This chart gives a good picture of the responsibilities of the case manager/support coordinator.

Core Responsibilities are those things you are required to do:

- Asking member where they want to mee and who they want there
- Facilitating the meeting using person-centered skills
- Informing member and team about options
- Following up with team members on assigned action items
- Writing and distributing the plan

You can use judgement and creativity:

- Introduce new ideas
- Brainstorming to solve problems
- Using different ways to obtain the info you need
- Guiding the member to discover goals and dreams and working with the team on creative ways to make them happen
- Strategies used to implement the plan

It is not your paid responsibility to:

- Make decisions for the member
- Determine vision of the future or goals FOR the member
- Complete action items assigned to others



The member and the team are primarily the content experts who know the details of important to and important for.

The team is there to support the member in creating a blueprint for success by:

- Sharing their knowledge of experience and resources
- Supporting the directions defined by the team
- Listening and being open to different ideas and
- Being willing to take action



The first task – asking the member when and where they want to meet.



In preparation for the meeting, the SC/CM needs to ensure materials are in an accessible language for member and their family/health care decision maker.

- Arrange for interpreters
- Learn about family customs and culture
- Think about any PCT tools or concepts that may be useful to obtain information.

It's helpful to call prior to the meeting to obtain current medical information. That frees up time to have a *conversation* about health and how members can take more leadership in their own health care.

End of Planning Team Roles and Responsibilities Section.

Facilitating a Person Centered Service Plan Meeting

Getting Started Working with People Dealing with Situations

What do you think facilitating a person centered service plan meeting involves?



There are 4 states of planning and implementation of a plan:

- 1. Thinking about what you want to learn
- 2. Gathering the information
- 3. Developing a vision and subsequent desired outcomes
- 4. Using the service plan to document your findings and develop the action plan

Plans that work begin with thinking about what you want to accomplish; then figuring out the things you need to learn that will help you get there *and* how to learn them.

Plans that work are not annual events; they are part of an ongoing cycle of learning and acting on what you learn. It should be a living document.

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You will be working with a variety of individuals, teams and team dynamics on planning teams.

Briefly review characteristics on slide

Now we're going to do an activity to help you learn how to deal with different personalities.

We are referring to team members other than the member.

Divide into small groups depending on number of students (8 activity types). Once divided have them move to an area of the room together with their participant's guide, flip chart and markers. If you have a large class, you may have to have more than one group working on the same personality types. You should have 2 sets of the cards.

Click for activity instructions **Next slide**



We're going to hand out cards with different personality characteristics. Each group will get (however many cards to be sure they are all covered) cards. Hand out the cards.

Also give each group 2 pieces of flip chart paper.

On each card is one of the types of behavior types listed on the previous slide.

- 1. On your flip chart paper list your groups assigned behavior types
- 2. Next list at least 2 behaviors that will let you know that this is who they are
- 3. Come up with some strategies to neutralize their behavior and incorporate them into the discussion

You will have about 10 minutes and then we will report back to the whole group. You may begin now.

Give them a warning at 5 Minutes.

Give them another warning at 1 Minute.

Ask if they need more time. If they do, give 3 additional minutes.

Time is up. Let's see what you all came up with. You may want to write down what's discussed by the group in your participant guide for your future reference.

Ask the following to process the activity. If you have more than one group working on the same personality, have them take turns reporting the information so they both get to share:

Ok, who had Quiet & Shy?

- How are you going to know that they are Quiet & shy?
- How are you going to draw them in?

Who had Argumentative?

- What clued you into the fact that they have that label?
- What strategies might you use?

How about Hostile?

- What does "hostile" look like?
- What can you do with Hostile?

Ok, How about Negative, who has Negative?

- Describe Negative.
- What strategies did you come up with?

Let's hear about the "Know it all".

• How can we include him/her?

Let's take a look at Agreeable.

- Why might someone who agrees with everyone make team consensus difficult?
- What strategies might be helpful?

So who had the Dominator?

- What does their meeting look like?
- What can you do to change that?
Lastly, we have Indecisive folks.

- What does their meeting look like?
- What can you do with them?

Handout - Dealing with Challenging Behaviors Be sure to pick up the cards from the groups

Nice job everyone! Now we are going to take a look at situations that you may encounter while facilitating a PCP.

This may be a good time for a break. Move chart paper and prep for next activity. When back –



Handout - Dealing with Various Situations

You are going to face a variety of situations while facilitating PCSP meetings. We are going to spend a little time focusing on a few situations that seem to crop up enough to be at least irritating.

Break into small groups for the 5 scenarios. If a large group, you may have to have more than one group working on the same situations.

Once in their groups, give each group flip chart paper and markers and an area of the room to work w/ their groups.

I am passing out (however many needed to cover the 5 situations) cards per group. On each card are situations you may encounter as you facilitate plans. On your Flipchart paper, please list your situation by name & number and ways to address the situations listed. We've also given you a handout with possible questions to answer for each situation.

You will have 10 minutes. Please begin.

Give a 5 minute warning. Give a 1 minute warning. If they need more time, you can add 3 minutes.

Have the groups report out in order of the situations 1-5 and reveal the slide for their situation after they report.

If you have more than one group working on the same situation, have them take turns reporting the information so they both get to share.



Ask the following to process the activity: Which group had "Including the Member?" What did you come up with?

After the group shares, click through animation for 6 examples.

Could any of these be affected by culture?

Make a comments about below if nobody brings up:

Best seat –Think about where someone wants to sit, but depending where the meeting is held, consider power dynamics . Where do they feel comfortable, Make sure all voices are valid. How the room is setup can set the tone of the meeting.

Verify information – even people who don't use words to communicate can do this. Be aware of their reactions and body language when team members are talking.



Ask: Which group had "Sensitive Issues"? What did you come up with?

After the group shares, click through animation for 6 examples.

If nobody mentions say:

Not all team members need to be present to talk about everything. If there are sensitive issues, find out who the member wants to have present when they are discussed.



Ask: Which group had "Negative Issues"? What did you come up with?

If nobody mentions, comment:

Is there a way to couch negatives in a positive way?



Ask: Which group had "Focus on the Positive"? What did you come up with?

After the group shares, click once for animation for examples.

Setting a positive tone for the meeting is so important.



Ask: Which group had "Goal Setting"? What did you come up with?

After the group shares, click through animation for 2 examples.

If not mentioned:

Achieving success quickly is very motivating for the member and the team.



Let's do "Team Commitments" together. What are some ideas you have?



Use flipchart paper for 6th situation.

You can use the questions below to spark discussion. Write responses on flipchart paper.

- 1. What are some ideas for working with team members that make commitments yet never follow through on them?
- 2. How can you encourage participation from team members that refuse to volunteer for any action items during the meeting?
- 3. How would you ensure equal participation and commitment among all team members during the planning process?
- 4. What strategies could you employ with team members who never show up for the meetings?

After the group shares, click for animation for examples. **Great job everyone!**



Ask: Can you name some of the roles of the facilitator.

You could have candy, call on people and toss candy for correct answers.

- Coach
- Gate keeper
- Entertainer
- Advocate
- Community developer
- Entertainer
- Creative force
- Recorder
- The glue for the team
- Discoverer

Click through animation. You can mention ones not covered.

Facilitating The Meeting

- Assist to identify relevant participants
- Provide unbiased facilitation
- Establish and keep ground rules
- Encourage input from all team members
- Keep it positive and member focused

Always include the member

In your role as a facilitator, it is your job to build the structure of the experience and planning process.

- Help the member identify team members
- Remain unbiased in facilitation
- Establish and enforce ground rules
- Encourage participation of all team members
- Keep it positive focused on the member



It's a good idea to have these ground rules and review before each meeting.

First point:

- Point out that to "be respectful" is the over arching rule.
- Let people know that regardless of where they are in learning this process they are unlikely to do harm if they keep this in mind.
- Also let them know that when something does not feel respectful and they are not sure what to do they should call a break, temporarily stop the process. If they cannot figure out how to have a respectful process do not plan with that person until you have an idea about a respectful way to proceed.

Second point, no jargon:

- What are the exceptions to the no clinical or human service speak rule?
- Clinical jargon/human services speak should only be used when describing medical issues or other such topics where there are not applicable everyday terms that can be used.

No obsessing:

• Don't forget the 5 minute rule and to "park" issues that are not resolved.

No fixing:

- People are not broken.
- We can find good solutions if we are listening.

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Here are some general rules about writing plans.

- Use complete thoughts, but not necessarily complete sentences.
- Use common, everyday language rather than the terms and abbreviations used by government and community agencies.
- Each item listed has enough detail and/or examples that someone new in the person's life will understand what is meant.



As a facilitator you will lead the team in developing a realistic vision for the future, and to set up the outcomes into achievable steps.

You will help the team identify barriers and find solutions, as well as discovering resources.

Begin and end each meeting with action items.



Planning should reflect cultural considerations of individual and always consider team/family dynamics.

Who do you contact to schedule meetings?
In some cultures it might be the "man of the house."

Know how the member and family of choice make decisions and how culture may relate to different situations.

When developing a realistic vision of the future, you may need to use different terminology.

Learn the terms they use to describe the diagnosis or condition.

If hitting a roadblock, cultural differences may be a factor. May be due to cultural differences in thinking around a particular issue.



We tend to have a "fixing" compulsion – that gets in the way of critical thinking.

The result is solutions that are not creative.

We have to help the team get past the "fixing" compulsion by asking: What do we know and what do we do?

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The more time you spend defining the problem... the better the solution.

In places where it feels like there is never enough time and there is always a crisis, stopping to think is not a luxury, it is critical.

This is part of how we can make the decisions that avoid the crises.

The more time we spend understanding an issue – the better chance we have of coming up with a good solution.

Read quote on the slide:

Albert Einstein said, "If I had an hour to save the world, I'd spend 55 minutes defining the problem."



Ask: **Support rather than fix – what do you think that means?** Take some responses

Click

What are some questions to ask to help get there?

Take responses.

Click

Here are some additional questions.



Growth occurs where it feels safe.

Where

- Learning is supported
- Practice is encouraged
- Effort is rewarded
- Success is celebrated



Be sure the plan reflects the answers to these questions for each member.

- 1. What is important to the person?
- 2. What is important for the person?
- 3. Is the connection between important to and for addressed?
- 4. Is there a "good" balance between important to and important for?
- 5. What does the person want to learn & what do we need to learn?

To achieve the balance, we need to know:

- 6. What needs to stay the same (be maintained or enhanced)?
- 7. What needs to change?

End of Facilitating a Person Centered Service Plan Section.



Let's talk about developing goals and outcomes.



Ask:

Vision of the Future – What does that mean to you?

Take some responses.

Click

Everyone has their own idea of what they would like their future to be: Click through each one

- Where they would like to live
- How they spend their time, and
- With whom they want to share their life

Individuals' interests, preferences, hopes, and dreams should <u>drive</u> the goals and action items in their plans.

Dr. King said, "I have a dream." He did not say, "I have an annual plan and quarterly goals and objectives."



Each person has their own definition of what creates a "good life." Discovering this is the main task of the PCSP process.

As the Case Manager/Support Coordinator, it is your job to make sure the member:

- Is aware of full range of options and resources available to make informed choices and have positive control for the life they want.
- Help them to develop their personal goals both short range and long range.
- Along with the team, develop the action plan to help the person achieve their goals.



Here are some of the basic domains of life to consider:

Housing and Living Arrangement

• Where and with whom

Money and Resources

- How they earn money
- Resources and benefits

Health Care & Wellness, both Physical & emotional

Safety and Security

How to stay safe from financial, emotional, physical or sexual harm

- Assistance with finances if needed
- Personal safety devices
- Supervision as needed

Decision-Making Support

- Ability to make informed decisions
- Power of attorney if needed
- Potentially guardianship



Ask: What are the domains to consider related to quality of life? Take responses

Click through each bullet:

Daily Life and Employment Meaningful Day Employment & Retirement – what type of job/career do they want Education Social activities

Relationships

Family, friends, partners, community contacts How will they make connections?

Healthy Living Exercise and nutrition

Community Involvement

Leisure activities

Integrated activities

- Voting
- **Community groups**

Interests and opportunities for learning & personal growth

Spirituality

If they follow a specific practice/religion, where and with whom? How to connect with others?

Self-determination and Self-advocacy

Supports and Services Supports to enable person to live the life they want



After exploring the members' preferences regarding the domains of their life, it's time to explore with the member the variety of options regarding what is possible and desirable, and understanding the tradeoffs.

People may not always be able to verbalize or explain what their "good life" is. However, I imagine everybody can tell you what they DON'T want. Sometimes identifying the future they *DON'T* want can help you discover the future the they *DO* want.



People with disabilities and their families usually want the same types of things you and I want. They "get" the idea of what the good life is - we just don't usually ask them!

Ask: What kinds of things do you think people with disabilities and families would say they DON'T want?

Take a couple of responses.

Sometimes you need to start there – they may not know what they want (because they may not know the options/possibilities or thinking in terms of disability services), but they almost always can tell you want they don't.

The trajectory is the path that will either lead you toward the good life or toward things you don't want.

Here is a worksheet from the LifeCourse Toolkit. The link is on the slide and is also in our resources.



The definition of a good life is different for each person. Discovering this helps in creating their vision for the future.

The definition of a good life is informed by knowing what's "Important to" and "Important for" that person.

And as I said previously, it can be discovered figuring out what they don't want.



A goal is related to helping the person to have a good life and is connected to their future vision.

It addresses what the member wants to do.

It has an observable and measurable end result – something that lets us know it's been achieved.

Goals can be an area in the person's life they want to work on, or it could be something already in their life that they want to remain the same.



Here's a further breakdown:

A Goal

• Something the person wants to achieve.

Outcomes

- Specific, measurable statements that let you know when you have reached your goals.
- Outcome statements describe specific changes in your knowledge, attitudes, skills, and behaviors you expect to occur as a result of your actions.
- Good outcome statements are specific, measurable, and realistic.

Objectives

- Specific and measureable action steps to reach a goal.
- They tell us what needs to be done.



Goals, outcomes and objectives can often be identified by looking at "What works/makes sense" & "What doesn't work/make sense. Helps determine what needs to change and what needs to stay the same.

They can also be guided by information obtained when discussing

- Preferences & Strengths
- Individual Setting
- Daily Life

If member expresses dissatisfaction with aspects of those parts of their life, it opens the door to discussions about what they would like to change/work on.

Goals can also reflect what people want to stay the same. This may be particularly important when working with elderly people whose health may be deteriorating. The goal may stay the same in terms of the desired quality of life, but the outcomes and/or objectives may change as their functioning declines.



It must be said that member goals DO NOT include:

Goals that have been determined by the provider without member input.

Goals automatically generated based on patient conditions or risk factors, unless that has been identified by the member.

These items can be discussed and placed on the Action plan and assigned to a team member.





Functional/Meaningful Outcomes are best derived from questions related to the person's participation in their daily routine.

They are also based on assessed needs, while considering the member's strengths and preferences. They are not written to justify a service.

The outcome is written to help the person have the life they want. They should be based on helping them obtain a good life.

Give an example to illustrate. A possible example:

I heard a story about a friend's grandmother. She had struggled with her weight and arthritis for many years. Although she would talk about taking action, she never went on a diet or exercised, etc.

One item on her "bucket list" was to go to Greece. Her son and his wife said they would take her, but they were concerned about her ability to do the walking needed to visit all the ancient sites. That was the motivation she needed to address her health issues! She started eating more healthily. She started walking daily, and gradually built up the distance and time she walked, therefore building up her stamina. She achieved her goal of being able to walk for 20 minutes! She was able to go to Greece and experience it the way she wanted to.

Functional/Meaningful Outcomes May OR May Not need to be supported by a paid service. Be sure to explore other sources of support.

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Outcomes can fall right out of the interview. Typically you can "get at" functional and meaningful outcomes by asking the questions, "What works in your day? What doesn't work?" or "What is the best part of your day? What have you tried so far?"

Listed here are some of the prompting question on the AHCCCS Person-Centered Service Plan.

Read a couple.

If you list the tasks someone can do and not do, or their strengths and needs and not look at how that impacts their day, you risk losing the functionality of the outcome.

Focus on how does working on a particular outcome make their life more successful *for them.*

What ways can the person be supported so that they can better participate in their day, home, community?

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Other questions to answer might be:

- In there an area of your life you would like to work on and/or would like to be different?
- What is happening now?
- What needs to change?
- What needs to stay the same or be enhanced?
- Who will help support the change and when?
- How will we know if we've made progress?



Teams sometimes select CORE Responsibilities as Habilitative Outcomes. Core responsibilities are things that are a part of the staff's job, something they should already be doing.

Outcomes should be related to something the individual is:

- Interested in
- Enhances quality of their life
- Assists the member with the daily routine
- Is a positive, functional activity that has meaning for them
- Increases or maintains independence as long as possible


Here are some examples of goals and outcomes.

Review slide.



The working/not working tool can be used as a negotiation tool to inform goal setting, as well as the action plan.

When doing this analysis:

- Everyone must feel listened to.
- You must start with common ground.
 - Those things that all parties agree aren't working that's where change is most likely occur.
 - Those things that are working well and need to be maintained.
- The facilitator of the discussion is unconditionally constructive.
- Developing the goals and action plan is done in partnership.

The plan should reflect the current reality:

- What is working now, not what would or could work.
- Focus on a specific issue or area of life.
- Important to identify things that can realistically be accomplished. These may also be things that can be achieved quickly.



Peel the onion

- Always ask the question behind the question
- Dig deeper to find out more

It can be a bridge to action planning

- What needs to be maintained/enhanced?
- What needs to change?

Be sure the plan is clear and uncomplicated.



To help with action/goal planning:

The left hand column helps with identifying those things that you wish to maintain or enhance.

The right hand column shows things that need to change.

This illustrates what I'm talking about.

Disagreements often turn up on the diagonals.

This has 2 of the core principles of negotiation built into it -

If you have carefully written down everyone's perspective so they feel listened to.

If you point out where the same items appear in the same column, but different perspectives, you have started with common ground.

The case manager/support coordinator remains neutral in the process.



Remember Julie's story? We're going to revisit it to talk about how to use Working/Not Working as a negotiation tool and to guide goal setting and action planning.

Ask: Who do we need to negotiate and work with to find out what works for the member?

Possible responses:

- Staff
- Maybe sister?

So it's about who really has the power to change the situation.

Activity:

This works best in small groups. If the participants are sitting at tables, have them work with others at the tables. If in another setting, break them up into small groups. Work as a group for this activity. We'll give you 5 minutes to discuss.

Look at the Working/Not Working for Julie and find at least one thing that needs to remain the same and one thing that needs to change. We will do the next step together as a group.



Take a piece of flip chart paper and draw a line down the middle. Head columns with "Needs to stay the same" and "Needs to change."

When 5 minutes are up:

Let's report out on what you decided.

Have each group say what they came up with and record in the appropriate column.

Using these identified items, what would be some potential desired goals?

Record on new flip chart sheet.

OK, great!

For the next phase, work with your group to develop a goal and outcome based on the things we came up with. *Remember these are personal goals for Julie, so should be worded from her perspective.*

V. Individualized Goals and Outcomes Is there an area of your life you would like to work on?						
Health Home Life	J Daily Life					
Goal:						
OUTCOME:						
Where are they now (at the time of t	:his plan)?					
What needs to be done?						
Α.						
В.						
C.						
Who will do:	When?					
Α.						
A. B.						

You will find a blank copy of the goals and outcomes page in your workbook in the Activity Sheets section. You will be using this to do the next exercise.

Write the goal in a holistic fashion.

Include:

- Where they are now
- What needs to happen, and
- Who will be responsible for making sure it happens

Give 10 minutes.

Have groups report out. You can record their information on a flip chart paper if you want.

When everyone has reported out:

When developing goals, include some they can achieve quickly. This creates more motivation.

Getting more information about something can be an action item to achieve the identified goal.

Look at goals that are not tied to a particular program or service. We aren't looking for how to change programs or make a program or service work better. The goal is related to improving the person's life.

Remember that people will do more things that are important for them if there's some important to included.

You would then create the steps to meet her ultimate goal.

Do you want to hear what happened to Julie?

The Teddy plate worked, until Teddy put on weight. They went to the vet and were told Teddy could have green beans, so he lost weight. When the case manager came back to visit, she found Teddy locked up in the other room again.

Why do you think this happened? (Pause for some responses).

He was locked up because staff changed and no one had written down this great idea.

Moral: How often do we have great ideas, get everyone on the same page so we don't write it down anywhere, and then we all leave the job? If we really want this great work to continue, it needs to be recorded and passed on.

Please note within the Goals and Outcomes page in the AHCCCS Person-Centered Plan document that you can add more goals and outcomes to the form.



Ask: How do you identify natural supports?

Take responses.

Click through and review.



Ask: What type of goals may be created around building networks and relationships?

Possible responses:

Developing or maintaining relationships Finding a significant other or companion

Getting married or having a long-term relationship

Click

We should be encouraging members and families to expand their networks. The more eyes, ears, voices, etc. the more support the person has.

Click

Informal non-paid supports may come from unexpected places.

Click

The best way to know what people are willing to do is to ASK.



Ask: Why is community networking so Important?

Take some responses

Click

Here are some more reasons:

- Encourages more participation in the community
 - In line with the CMS Rules
- Increases Valued Social Roles
- We all depend on some support from our community
- They tend not to disappear, are long lasting
- Gives people the opportunity to develop reciprocal friendships



Ask: How do we make friends and develop contacts?

Discussion of how you develop contacts, make friends. Click through the list.

Ask: What do all of these avenues have in common?

Possible responses:

- Places where you see the same people over and over again
- Meaningful interaction over and over

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Examples of Non	Paid Supports		
A ride to work	Friend or family		
A Neighbor	s House		
A home cooked meal	Co-Worker		
Help with homework	Mentor		
A place to go	when nobody is home		
Someone to help figure out a pr	oblem		
	Church member		

Here are some common scenarios of when any person might need assistance. Who could you go to if you had this need? Click through the list asking the questions below and allowing people to respond. After each is answered with ideas, click again to see the possible answer on the slide

Click A ride to work? Take responses Click Maybe a co-worker?

Click Help with homework? Take responses Click Maybe a friend or someone in the family?

Click **A place to go when nobody is home?** Take responses Click **A neighbor's house?**

Click **A home cooked meal?** Take responses Click Someone from church?

Click Someone to help figure out a problem? Take responses Click Maybe a mentor?

As you can see, there are lots of people in someone's life who might be able to provide some type of unpaid support at some time. It could be a lot of people doing little things. It doesn't have to be the same people doing everything all the time.



Ask questions below: How do you find resources for yourselves?

Take several responses.

Does anyone have a smart phone? How often do look up local transportation? What do you find?

Take several responses.

How about housing?

Take several responses.

Click

Supports can be provided by a variety of other resources.

Here are some other ideas which may or may not be available depending on where the member lives.

The key is to think outside the box when you can't seem to find anything.



This "Integrated Supports Star Worksheet is from the "Charting the LifeCourse" tools that are available to download at the link on the slide. This can be very helpful when planning for integrated supports a person will need to achieve their good life. They also have a variety of "cheat sheets" to illustrate ways in which it can be used.

There are sheets for:

- Daily Life & Employment
- Employment
- Respite
- Community Living
- Safety & Security
- Supported Decision-Making
- Healthy Living
- Social & Spirituality
- Citizenship & Advocacy

You can find some of these in the "Examples" section of your booklet.



Here is one of the cheat sheets for Healthy Living.

The link to this resource is at the end of the PowerPoint. I know the print is small, so I will read each section to you.

Review sections on the slide (also available as a handout in the participant

workbook under Examples).

As you can see, they give a lot of good ideas that you might not have thought about.

The link to this website is listed at the end of the training.



We're going to watch a conversation with Cody, a young man who is 26 years old. He is a member of DDD and also receives BH services.

None of this interview was staged, it was a real conversation with him at his day program.

Any services and providers he mentions are not endorsed by us or AHCCCS, they just happen to be his current supports.

With Cody in the video was his mother and a staff member who works closely with him at the program.

Play video. Ask: What did you think about the interview? What kind of conversation styles did you observe? How does this conversation differ from how you currently talk with members about their goals?



Ask the questions on the slide (and below) as you go through the bullets and take responses for each:

Click What were Cody's expressed goals?

Click What will be need to accomplish these? Short range and long range?

Click What other information do we need to know?

Click What resources might be needed?

Click How can he find the resources?

Click Where can he get these resources?



Remember, Person-Centered Service Planning helps people get better lives, Not just better plans...

End of Goal Setting and Developing Outcomes Section.

This is a good time for lunch break. After break:



Assessing risks is a balancing between health and safety vs self-determination. We want to remember what we talked about earlier regarding the dignity of risk and allowing people opportunities to try new things. We've all made mistakes and we learned from them.

We are not looking at every risk, but the ones regarding health and safety that could interfere with the person doing what they want.

Risk Identification Process Identify a risk Determine the following: Is action needed to manage the risk? Are more comprehensive assessments or referrals needed? Is a Managed Risk Agreement needed? Would an intervention to minimize or prevent risk restrict member rights?

The risk assessment process consists of:

- Identifying a risk
- Determining the following:
 - Is there any action needed to manage the risk?
 - Are more assessments or referrals needed?
 - Is a Managed Risk Agreement needed?
 - Would some intervention to minimize or prevent the risk restrict the member's rights?



A risk is anything that compromises the member's general health condition and quality of life.

A specific diagnosis or condition in and of itself, is not a risk.

Risks must be assessed for every individual.

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The risk assessment process starts with the tool on page 18. Use this to identify *all* risks.

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When using the tool, identify all risks, but not everything you identify will require you to do a risk assessment as defined by HCBS rules.

Consider the normal and unusual risks for the member in different areas of life.

The team will look for factors that lead to any identified risks.

For each risk, determine if an action is needed and assign a code. A risk could have more than one code.

If you look at the top section of the Risk Assessment you will see the codes to use:

EM – Effectively managed FA – Further Assessment needed RR – Rights restricted MRA – Managed Risk Agreement

If any of the risks get an RR code, complete the assessment on the next two pages, 19 & 20, of the tool.



Every individual must be assessed for risk, but not every risk leads to a risk assessment.

Here are a few examples where there is a risk, but the is no restriction of rights or independence.

For example:

- The member has had two heart attacks.
- The member doesn't have any resources.
- The member has a hearing impairment.

Not every risk and health issue is a risk for purposes of HCBS and analysis of a risk or risk assessment. Just having a health diagnosis doesn't count.

For example, Johnny has diabetes and takes insulin. There are risk related to this – checking feet, blood sugar, etc. but you're not taking away his rights to independence or he can't go out because of the diabetes. So you don't have to do a full assessment.



If the member's rights are not being restricted then a full risk assessment is not required.

However, still determine:

- Are supplemental assessments or referrals needed?
- Is a Managed Risk Agreement needed as a result of
 - Risk associated with choices regarding services, placements or caregivers?
 - Health & safety risk to member as well as risk to others as a result of the member's actions, behaviors, choices or decisions

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Health and safety are important, but ALTCS members still have individual rights and independence – such as having a key to the door, privacy, access to fridge and food.

Just because they are ALTCS members doesn't mean they have to give up those rights afforded to everyone. If a risk requires that these type of rights be taken away, there needs to be a risk assessment.



A full risk assessment is required when an intervention to minimize or prevent a risk for health and safety reasons would result in a restriction of a member's rights.

It may not be you restricting their rights or independence, others (family, providers) may be restricting rights.

Anywhere a member is living with other people (congregate setting), you can't limit/restrict rights of others in the home in response to one person's risk.

There may be times when rights may need to be restricted, but that doesn't mean forever.

You need to reassess every time to see if there are changes or new interventions to have the restriction removed.

Always explore if there are there things you can do short of taking someone's rights away.



Here are a couple of examples of restricting rights for health and safety.

- Not letting the member have keys to the door
- Requiring that food be locked up because of compulsive overeating.

Ask:

Do you have any examples of restricting rights for health and safety? Take a few responses



As always, all risks need to be identified during the service planning process. However, not every risk will need an assessment or intervention. This slide describes the difference between a risk requiring an assessment and risks that just need a managed risk agreement.

On the left, a risk assessment is required if an intervention is needed for health and safety reasons which results in restricting a member from doing something that people are generally allowed to do, such as have access to food in the fridge or cabinets.

Always review and analyze ways to minimize the risk to allow the most freedom possible. You should also be periodically reassessing whether or not the restriction can be minimized or lifted.

On the right, a managed risk agreement is needed if you have identified a risk as a result of choices by the member or health care decision maker, and the member does not want any of the alternatives offered to mitigate the risk. For example, the member left the stove on 5 times in the last week, forgot it was on and burned themselves. You can offer alternatives, but the member will still use the stove. An agreement is signed stating they acknowledge the risks.

Still use this as you do now.

Always explore if there are things you can do short of taking someone's rights away.



We're going to do an activity based on this scenario. Manny's story is in your workbook under the Stories tab.

Read Manny's Story

Manny has lived in this house his entire life and his continued independence is very important to him. Most of the time, Rocky is Manny's only companion. His closest family, his daughter lives 100 mi. away. Rocky loves Manny but doesn't like anyone else. Rocky has nipped at ALTCS case managers/support coordinators, bitten home health workers, and growls at Manny's daughter. There are very few providers in the area and it's getting harder and harder to get anyone to provide in home services for Manny as Rocky's reputation is widespread. Manny uses a walker for mobility and is in the early stages of Alzheimer's. He often forgets to bathe or eat and the case manager/support coordinator has noticed that his house looks dirty with unwashed dishes and papers strewn about. His daughter is involved in his care, but she's busy with her family and job and can't come out to see him more than once a month. The closest small town to Manny's house is about 15 miles away.

In small groups:

- First look at the Identification of Risks Tool in your Activities section and check all of the risks you have identified from the scenario
- Assign the appropriate code to each identified risk
- Determine if any of these actually poses a situation where Manny's rights may be restricted.
- What can be done to minimize the risks?

You have 10 minutes then we'll come back together to talk about it. When time is up:

What did you all come up with?

Guide the groups to report out answering the questions on the slide.

The correct answer is that Manny's rights do not have to be restricted, but a Managed Risk Agreement needs to be completed and signed.



This is the first page of the form you fill out to review the potential risks. You can add more to the form if needed.

For folks who are having their rights taken away – CMS wants us to really know the cause of the behaviors/risk. List the factors contributing to the risk and what is currently being done to prevent the risk.

There are times that these restrictions may have to be in place. It may be appropriate because of the immediate risk, but it doesn't mean it has to be indefinitely. Always review to see if the restriction could be lessened or lifted.



This outlines how you do the analysis:

- Identify the causes/factors contributing to the risk
- Determine the least restrictive ways to mitigate the risk
- Explore what is currently being done to minimize or prevent the risk, and whether or not it is working
- Search for things that can be done short of taking away someone's rights

The form is how you document if any action needs to be taken.



After you've determined that a member rights will be restricted, you have to complete the "Modifications to plan through Restriction of Member's Rights" part of the risk assessment.

The development of the plan is done with the member and their health care decision maker if applicable.

Make sure the member's health and safety needs are being met with the least intrusive methods.

As I've said before, a rights restriction doesn't have to be forever. You should always be reassessing to determine if the restriction can be removed.

You could even help the member develop a goal around removing the rights restriction. You might use "Working/Not Working" to see if there are any changes that could be worked on.
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On this form you'll be describing the modification to the plan that is restricting the member's rights.

It is important to conduct this assessment around risk and completing the Modifications to Plan through Restriction of Member's Rights thoroughly and appropriately.

The member/health care decision maker is at the table and involved (to the extent they can and want to be) in the development of the modification plan.

We don't want providers to just *implement restrictions outside of the PCSP process*.

The risk is not effectively managed until the member's rights have been restored.

Ask

What do you do now for members who are unable to consent/make decisions, but don't have a health care decision maker?"

You are probably already having to make decisions in the best interest of the member.

If there is a situation where a member/health care decision maker refuses to consent to the plan, the SC/CM should document the refusal in the member's file.

If the team is unable to come up with an alternative plan that the member/health care decision maker agree to, but the restriction is absolutely necessary for the health/safety of the member, then the team would have no other choice than to proceed and document the team's decision and reason.



Let's revisit Manny 2 years later. This in your workbook under the Stories tab. Read scenario.

Manny continued to live alone with his dog, Rocky, until about 6 months ago. His dementia progressed, and he had several falls. His hoarding became worse and his living conditions greatly deteriorated. Manny was losing weight and he was unable to keep up with his personal hygiene. His daughter decided that he could no longer live alone, so she moved him to an assisted living home setting close to her home. The assisted living home does not allow pets, so Rocky could not move with him. However, Manny's daughter agreed to take Rocky in, and Manny goes to their home every other week for visits.

Manny loves his visits with Rocky but becomes very upset when he goes home and Rocky doesn't come with him. He walks around the home calling for Rocky and has been found wandering around the neighborhood looking for him. One day Manny left the home looking for Rocky, and he was found at a busy intersection trying to cross the street. Because of his wandering, the assisted living facility has moved Manny to a section of the facility that is locked at all times. Manny is no longer able to come and go as he pleases.

Have participants do this exercise with their same group.

In your groups:

- Identify any new risks
- Determine which of these actually pose a situation where Manny's rights may be restricted

If any rights may be restricted, work on the forms related to Risk Assessment in the Activities section of your workbook. Complete the Risk and Modifications form.

Give 10-15 minutes for this. When time's up, have the groups report out. What did you find? Be prepared to process with them and answer questions about their decisions.

After reporting out ask: **Are there any questions?**

End of Risk Assessment Section.

This may be a good time for a break. When back –



Action planning is a crucial part of completing a PCSP.



All we've been talking about leads to creating the action plan.

The Action Plan should:

- Be reflective of the member's vision of the future and address what the member wants to do.
- Break outcomes into steps that are achievable.
- Support the balance of important to and important for.
- Assign action items to various team members with agreed upon target dates.
- Include natural supports.

Examples of a Goal and Outcome



Let's look at the goals, outcomes and objectives for Anna and Harry and how these might funnel into the Action Plan.



Use a flip chart paper to record responses. Make columns for: Action to be taken Person Responsible Due Date

Fill in the responses to the following:

Here are just the first 3 columns on the Action Plan, but it will give you an idea on how to get started.

Anna's objectives could be assigned as action items.

Ask: What might be some action items related to the objectives? Possible responses:

- Anna will look online to find cooking classes in her area of town.
- Anna's mother will help her get signed up for a class.
- Anna's friend will drive her to the cooking school.
- Anna will find out what she needs to do to get a food handler's card.

Ask about potential due dates for responses given.

Great! Now what about Harry's objectives?

Possible responses:

- Harry's case manager will refer him for medical evaluations.
- Harry's daughter will schedule appointments with his doctor.
- Harry will talk with his doctor about possible durable medical equipment (walker, cane, grab bars, railings).

Ask about potential due dates for responses given.



Action items may relate to other subjects or issues that came up during the course of the planning meeting and may not be directly related to a goal or outcome.

Some of these might be:

- Calling to make an appointment for a needed assessment
- Checking on medical equipment
- Researching options related to discussion topics
- Making referrals for services

Ask:

Can you think of anything else? Take a few responses.

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You will find the Action Plan on page 21 of the Person-Centered Service Plan. It should include all items that require follow up.



Everything discussed which requires follow up should be on the action plan!

Not only actions related to helping the member achieve the goals, but also items that have come up in the course of the meeting such as:

- Making an appointment with a doctor
- Taking the member to a requested activity
- CM sending out copies of the plan

It may take some brainstorming with the team to prioritize the action items. Get team members to commit to completing some of the action items.



Ask:

What are some strategies in assigning action items? Record responses on flip chart paper

Remember, we came up with several ideas when we did the "Dealing with Various Situations" activity.



Important to/Important for must always be considered when developing an action plan.

Balancing the two is the key to a good life.

Remember, it's not about assuring safety and health at the cost of what creates satisfaction for the member.



Keep in mind that the plans are how we introduce the members. Review the plan to see if these things are reflected:

- Would reader meet the person before they meet the disability?
- Would the people who use the plan know what you meant by what you wrote?
- Does plan capture the rich conversation that occurred during the meeting?
- Does plan meet the purpose?
- Have you described what still needs to be learned?
- Is it clear what needs to happen and who is responsible?

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Remember – it's about the member...it is their plan. The person is the center.



The PCSP must be finalized and agreed to, with the informed consent of the individual in writing, and signed by all individuals and providers responsible for its implementation.

If member or health care decision maker refuses to sign the consent, be sure to document refusal in member's file.

The individual decides what parts of the plan will be shared and who it will be shared with.

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This is the first part of the Informed Consent on page 22.

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Use this page to document with whom and what parts of the plan will be shared.

This is also the page to document when they were sent.

End of Action Planning section.



After the plan is completed, implementation begins.





<u>ACTIVITY</u>

Read each question, one at a time, and ask the group to brainstorm on strategies.

Write down the ideas on flip chart paper.

Follow up begins after the plan is completed and distributed. How do you: Click

Remind team members of assigned action items?

Possible responses

- Send out copies of plans and remind about action items
- Send emails following the meeting with assigned action items

Click

Make sure they are following through with action items?

Possible response

• Setting reminders to contact to track progress

Click

Ensure they will be prepared to discuss progress at next meeting? Possible response

• Sending action items prior to next meeting and reminding team members that they will need to report progress made.



Always start meetings talking about:

- Progress on action items
- Newly identified barriers
- Brainstorming solutions

Be sure to celebrate the successes!



After you've completed the first Person-Centered Service Plan, the following meetings will be used to assess progress and how to move forward.

Two discovery tools that are helpful are:

- Working/Not Working Which we've talked a lot about today
- 4+1 Questions This tool helps to evaluate what's been accomplished so far



Remember how we talked about using this tool to develop action items? It can be used again to assess what needs to stay the same or be enhanced, and what needs to change as the plan is implemented over time. Use it the same way we did in our activities.



The 4 + 1 questions help to clarify what's happened and what needs to happen next.

The questions are:

- What have we tried?
- What have we learned?
- What are we pleased about?
- What are we concerned about?

You can do this through discussion with the team or you can place the questions on flip chart paper on the wall and let everyone write their responses.

Possible Tip

Ask:

Have you ever have long meetings where there is lots of talk and not enough action or where the same things are discussed over and over again with no action or progress?

This may be a helpful tool to avoid that.

The 4 questions are posted on the wall at the beginning of meetings with everyone writing their responses to the questions before the meeting starts. This ensures that learning is captured quickly and the problem of having some learning drowned out by a "dominant voice" is avoided.

This is a more productive way to manage time that is more efficient in working through issues or coming to solutions.

<u>What did you</u> <u>try?</u>	<u>What did you</u> <u>learn?</u>	What are you pleased about?	What are yo concerned about?
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This is the last sheet in the Activity tab in your workbook. Take a minute to fill out the 4 + 1 questions for yourselves based on the skills you've learned during this training.

Please answer:

- What did you try?
- What did you learn?
- What are you pleased about?
- What are you concerned about?

When people seem to be done: **Anyone want to share or reflect on use of the tool?** Take responses

End of Implementation section.



Person Centered Service Planning is a set of promises.

A promise to listen to what's being said and what is meant, and to keep listening.

A promise to act on what we hear. We can always find something that we can do right away and keep acting on what we're told.



It's also a promise to be honest.

Honesty is a part of trust. Honesty is required to maintain trust. If trust has been broken honesty is a critical requirement in regaining trust.

Some things take time – you may be able to help someone achieve their goals but not overnight.

But don't use honesty as an excuse – don't forget to really listen. When we can't figure out how to help the person get what they are asking for, what can we do? What is underneath what they are asking for? How close can we come?



Person Centered Service Planning is more than planning. It doesn't just result in better paper. It results in a better lives.

The purpose is learning through shared action. Identifying the goals and *the team working together to make it happen*.

It requires an ongoing search for ways to deal with the barriers the person may face.

Implementation is critical! A PCSP must be acted upon and realized.



Let's take a look to see if there are any unanswered questions. Does anyone want to move their question before we do this?

Read each remaining question. If it's something that has already been discussed, give a *very brief* answer reflecting what was taught.

If there are any questions that weren't answered, try to answer them or explain where they might find that information.

Thank you!

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