

Support coordinator quarterly meeting

April 17, 2024

Housekeeping

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Recording and slides will be available this Friday at:
dspd.utah.gov/support-coordinators/

Questions? Type into chat.

Agenda

April 17, 2024

Announcements

DSPD updates

Legislative updates

Office of Service Review updates

Person-centered planning training

HSRI update

Q/A

DSPD staff changes

Office director of services: **Jamie Wuthrich**

Constituent services representative: **Jessica Sadler**

E-learning session

What: Supporting a Vision for Employment is an online course. DSPD covers the cost.

When: April 29-June 7

Register at: elearning.communityinclusion.org/browse/seln/

Medicaid 101 training

The Medicaid 101 training we held last month is available for you to watch online.

View training: youtu.be/jPRTIp0ID-Q

Autism housing survey

What: Madison House Autism Foundation and partners are gathering information for an upcoming report for local leaders and housing developers.

Who: People in Southern Utah.

Take the survey: neuroinclusiveutah.org/seutah

Building together conference

What: The Utah Developmental Disabilities Council is hosting the **Building Together: Advocacy and self-determination conference**

When: June 10-11, 2024

Registration link will be posted in chat.

DSPD updates

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In response to your feedback, we have made several updates this quarter:

- Updated our database to bring into compliance with more current technology.
- Budget utilization process is now automated in USTEPS.
- Made minor improvements to PCSP process in USTEPS.

DSPD updates - EPR

Employment Preparation Service needs to be reviewed by the Request for Services (RFS) committee for a person to use it past the 24-month mark.

The RFS committee and the employment, planning and inclusion team:

- Review each request
- Send follow up questions to the support team.
- Make decisions using a person-centered approach.

DSPD updates - EPR

To be eligible for EPR past the 24 month mark, here are some things to consider.

- The person expresses interest in holding a competitive, integrated job
- The person needs support with an identified, prevocational skill
- Alternative options like Vocational Rehabilitation have been explored and can't address the need or skill
- Continued services in an EPR setting remain the most appropriate option to meet individual work goals

DSPD updates - EPR

If EPR services are no longer needed, but a different type of support is needed, an RFS should be submitted to move funding to alternative services such as:

- Supported employment
- Supported living, or
- Day services

DSPD updates - EPR

- There is no limit on the number of extensions that can be requested.
- When EPR is denied, a “transition period” is often approved in its place to allow time to transition to other ongoing services or independent activities.
- Informed choice for employment is the responsibility of all settings, not just EPR or day services.
- We are looking to add back some flexibilities to continue to allow unpaid skill time in Day Services in the near future.

dspd.utah.gov/providers/epr/

Legislative updates

Caregiver compensation

Trainings coming up

Overview - Informational meeting for everyone

When: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. on Thursday April 18, 2024

Where: [Join the meeting online via Zoom](#) or via phone by dialing +1-669-900-6833

Training for support coordinators on CCA, UCANS, and USTEPS

When: 3 - 4:30 p.m. on Monday April 22, 2024

Where: [Join this virtual meeting via Zoom](#) or via phone by calling 1-669-900-6833

Caregiver compensation

- Work with families to make sure they find a new administrator if needed. Employer/employee cannot be the same person.
- Send questions to be covered at the training to dspdinfo@utah.gov.
- Questions from today's meeting will be captured for that training.

Office of Service Review updates

Contract updates

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- Provider contract RFI will be posted soon
- RFIs in future may be followed by in person discussions to discuss feedback for clarity and richer understanding
- SCE contract amendment will be completed this quarter.
- Completed 2 UTA contract rollovers.

Person-centered planning

Person-centered planning competencies

The 5 core competency domains are:

1. Strengths-based, culturally informed, whole person-focused
2. Cultivating connections inside the system and out
3. Rights, choice, and control
4. Partnership, teamwork, communication, and facilitation
5. **Documentation, implementation, and monitoring**

Plan documentation, implementation, monitoring

Facilitators should:

- Prioritize the person's strengths, interests, and preferences in the plan.
- Write plan using person's chosen name, language and identity.
- Write goal statements that are clear. Use the person's own words when possible

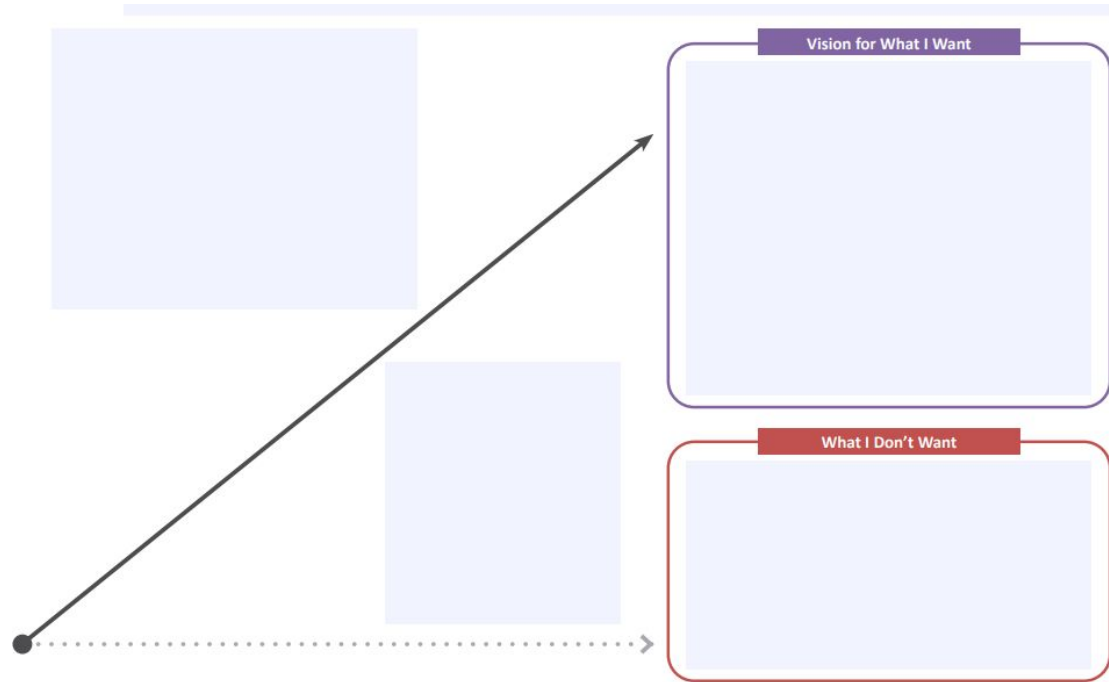
Plan documentation, implementation, monitoring continued

Facilitators should:

- List services and supports, paid and unpaid, in plan who will help achieve identified goals
- Ask questions about how the plan is going. Check in with the person and support team.
- Make sure everyone follows the plan and services happen as directed.

Trajectory worksheet

- Vision for what the person wants
- Include what they don't want
- Above and below the trajectory line, write things that help or those to avoid



Employment pathway tool

- New updated look
- Added information on retirement to Appendix A
- Added Appendix B, definition of Vocational Rehabilitation services
- Use to document informed choice activities

Pathway A

Employment goal:
Goal:
Informed choice experiences and activities help the person see and understand what working in the community might look like for them. What informed choice activities have they completed over the past year? Include how they felt about each activity. What is the plan for new informed choice activities this year?
Activity: Activity: Activity: Plans for next year:
Person-centered planning next steps:
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Vocational rehabilitation next steps:
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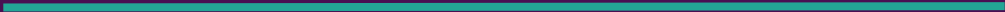
Employment pathway tool guide

- Explains the three sections of the Employment Pathway Tool
- Aims to help document informed choice about Competitive Integrated Employment
- Helps to create a clear, actionable plan
- Ensures the right fit for everyone - whether or not they want to work
- Outlines use of services and supports for informed choice experiences, employment exploration, and professional growth

HSRI



Q/A



Next support coordinator quarterly:

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Wednesday, July 17

Next family and self advocate quarterly:

Wednesday, May 8

Day: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Evening: 6:30 to 8 p.m.