



Your Independent Living Plan is to be developed jointly by you and your Independent Living Rehabilitation Counselor. It can be changed through an amendment any time there are significant changes affecting your need for services or your independent living goal. If changes are made, they cannot be started until you sign an amendment form to show that you agree with the changes. Continued services under this ILP or any amendment require continuing evaluation of the services to be provided and they depend upon your ability to achieve or maintain independent living. All services provided under your ILP or amendment must directly relate to your goal of independent living.

Review - Your Independent Living Program will be reviewed at least annually to evaluate your progress toward the objectives and identified on your ILP.

Confidentiality - All information on this ILP and information filed in your case record is confidential. In most instances, your counselor must obtain your written permission before any information concerning you or your program can be released to any other party.

Your Responsibilities - You must maintain contact with your counselor and let the counselor know of any changes that might affect your Independent Living Plan including any changes in address, or health. You must participate fully in your Independent Living Plan by keeping all appointments scheduled with your counselor as well as other appointments related to your Plan. Failure to fully cooperate might result in your ineligibility for continued services. If you have available resources you might be asked to financially participate in your Independent Living Plan as some services are provided based on economic need. You must apply for and use all available resources that might be applicable to your program such as Medicaid, Medicare, or Medicare Aid.

Your Rights - You have a right to fully participate in the development of your ILP including identifying your goal, intermediate objectives to be met in order to achieve that goal, services designed to meet the objectives, as well as who you wish to provide the services. The last page of your program asks you to identify how you were involved in these choices.

Remedies - If you are not in agreement with decisions made by the rehabilitation staff, you are encouraged to work with the local staff or the rehabilitation supervisor in your area to resolve concerns. If the local staff or supervisor cannot resolve the concerns, you might contact the Client Assistance Program (CAP) to discuss the problem. Beyond that, you might request a formal appeal. Requests for appeal must be in writing and addressed to the Area Rehabilitation Supervisor. You might ask your counselor or CAP for any assistance you might need.