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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Federal Statute 45 CFR § 1329.17 General Requirements for State Plan

Notice is given that the Statewide Independent Living Council, known as the Independent Living Council of Wisconsin (ILCW) will hold a public hearing to consider the 2025 - 2027 State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL).

Public Hearing Information

Monday, April 8, 2024 11:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

Location indiGO

2911 Tower Avenue, Suite 9 Superior, Wisconsin 54880

Hearing will be available via zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86008320270

Hearing will also be available via Phone:

Telephone Number: (312) 262-6799 or toll-free 1-888-788-0099 Meeting ID: 860 0832 0270

Accessibility

ILCW is committed to full and equal access for all persons. If you need a sign language interpreter, captioning, alternative formats or materials in another language to participate, or any other accommodations, please contact Tyler Wilcox by email at <u>ilcwcoordinator@il-wis.net</u>; by phone or text at (608) 575-9293. Please make your request at least 48 hours before the public hearing.

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Analysis of 2025-2027 SPIL

Every three years, ILCW is responsible for developing a new SPIL. The SPIL directs Independent Living Services across the State of Wisconsin. ILCW used public comments, surveys, and other feedback collected from people across the state. The 2025-2027 SPIL was also developed in collaboration with members and partners of the Wisconsin Independent Living Network (WILN). ILCW has reviewed and approved the 2025-2027 SPIL Draft.

The 2025-2027 SPIL's Mission will be: "Empowering people with disabilities to live the way they choose." This mission will be accomplished in the following ways:

- Increased focus on ILCs as Civil Rights centers through systems advocacy efforts and other programs.
- Increased outreach to traditionally underserved geographic areas and historically excluded communities.
- Improved clarity about how funds will be used by the Network.
 - Updated definition for "base funding" for ILCs and amount adjusted to \$624,000 to account for inflation and other factors.
 - Better directions for distribution of new funding among Wisconsin's ILCs to maintain equitable funding across the network.
 - \circ $\,$ Clearer instructions on how to proceed when funding is reduced.
 - Clearer instructions on steps to take if an ILC closes.
- Further definition of the roles and responsibilities of WILN member organizations.
- Continued strengthening of the Wisconsin Independent Living Network.
- Improved relationships and collaboration with WILN partners like ACRCs, other Councils and Commissions, State agencies, and other stakeholders.

Fiscal Estimate – Economic Impact

There is no fiscal estimate or economic impact of 2025-2027 SPIL.

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Public Input and Deadline for Submissions

- 1. The Draft 2025-2027 SPIL can be accessed on <u>ILCW's website</u>. (<u>https://il-wis.net/independent-living-council/public-notices/</u>)</u>
- Electronic Feedback Form on Survey Monkey: (<u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Q6G73LP</u>)
- 3. Email to ILCW Program Coordinator, <u>Tyler Wilcox</u>, <u>ilcwcoordinator@il-wis.net</u>.
- 4. Mail comments to:

ILCW ATTN: SPIL Comments 3810 Milwaukee Street Madison, WI 53714

All feedback must be submitted to ILCW by 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday May 8, 2024.

Council Contact

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