

# INDIANA STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL



## What is the INSILC?

### **INSILC Purpose:**

Section 701 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 promotes a philosophy of independent living, including a philosophy of consumer control, peer support, self-help, self-determination, equal access, and individual and system advocacy, in order to maximize the leadership, empowerment, independence, and productivity of individuals with disabilities, and the integration and full inclusion of individuals with disabilities into the mainstream of American society.

Driven by this purpose - The vision, mission, and values of INSILC were developed with input from a diverse group of individuals including INSILC Council Members, its staff, Hoosiers with disabilities and agencies working with individuals with disabilities.

### **INSILC Vision:**

To be a consumer-controlled council that is effective in leading a statewide independent living movement resulting in people with disabilities living without barriers, fully integrated in society.

### **INSILC Mission:**

To empower our peers with disabilities to lead and control their own lives.

## **INSILC Values:**

INSILC is committed to a culture that consists of the following core values:

- ❖ Independence
- ❖ Equality
- ❖ Integration
- ❖ Choice
- ❖ Freedom
- ❖ Control
- ❖ Integrity

## **What is the INSILC's Governance**

Indiana Statewide Independent Living Council, Inc., is a federally mandated State Independent Living Council (SILC). INSILC is established as an independent non-profit corporation with 501c3 status in the State of Indiana. INSILC is governed by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended in 2014, and all other applicable federal and state laws, regulations; SILC indicators and assurances; the INSILC Bylaws; and its policies, herein.

### **A. Functions of the INSILC:**

INSILC functions, per 705 (c), (d), and (e) of the Rehabilitation Act and 45 CFR Part 1329.15 and 1329.16:

INSILC duties include:

- Develop the State Plan for Independent Living;
- Monitor, review, and evaluate the implementation of the State Plan;
- Host regular meetings open to the public and provide notice of meetings;
- Submit periodic reports, keep records, and afford access to records;
- Coordinate activities with other entities that provide independent living services.

## **B. Membership of the INSILC:**

The INSILC shall:

- Include at least one center for independent living director representative;
- As Ex-Officio members:
  - A representative from the Designated State Entity - FSSA
  - Representatives from agencies that provide services for individuals with disabilities; and
- Have a majority of membership comprised of people with disabilities on the council.

The INSILC may include:

- Other representatives from Centers for Independent Living;
- Other Individuals with disabilities;
- Parents and guardians of individuals with disabilities;
- Advocates of and for people with disabilities;
- Representatives from private businesses;
- Representatives from organizations that provide services to people with disabilities; and
- Other appropriate individuals.

## **Contact Us!**

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