

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Act	The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.
CIL	A Center for Independent Living meeting the definition in Section 702 of the Act, the standards in Section 725 of the Act, and included in the state's network of centers.
CIL Program	The Centers for Independent Living Program funded under Part C, Chapter 1 of title VII of the Act.
Community-based Living	These living arrangements include apartments, privately-owned housing, self-directed assisted living, or self-directed living with family or friends.
Consumer	Any individual with a significant disability who is eligible for IL services under 34 CFR 364.40(a) and is currently receiving or has been provided with any IL service(s) under the program., other than information and referral.
Core Services	IL services defined in Section 7(17) of the Act means: information and referral services; IL skills training; peer counseling (including cross-disability peer counseling); and, individual and systems advocacy.
CSR	A Consumer Service Record maintained for an eligible consumer receiving IL services and meeting the requirements of 34 CFR 364.53. In cases where IL services are provided to the parent or guardian of a consumer, the CSR is established for the consumer and the services provided are reflected in that CSR.
DSU or DSE	The designated state unit, or units, identified under section 101(a)(2)(B) of the Act, authorized to jointly

develop and sign, with the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC), the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) under section 704 of the Act. The term includes a state agency solely designated under state law to provide IL services to individuals who are blind. In such states, the state agency for the blind may administer the provisions in the state plan related to services for individuals who are blind. In a 723 state, the DSU receiving, accounting for, and disbursing the funds for the CIL program is always the general agency.

IL	Independent Living
ILP	An Independent Living Plan for the provision of IL services mutually agreed upon by an appropriate staff member of a service provider and an individual with significant disabilities.
Section 722 State	A state in which ACL issues grants under Part C directly to eligible agencies for the planning, establishment, and operation of CILs.
Section 723 State	A state where the DSE issues grants or assistance contracts under Part C to eligible entities for the planning, establishment, and operation of CILs.
Service Provider	Can mean: 1) A DSU that directly provides IL services to consumers; 2) A CIL; or 3) An entity that provides IL services under a grant or contract from the DSU.
SILC	The Statewide Independent Living Council established in each State as required by Section 705 of the Act.
SILS	A State Independent Living Services program funded under Part B, Chapter 1 of Title VII of the Act.

SPIL	A State Plan of Independent Living jointly developed and signed by the director of the designated state unit(s) and the chairperson of the Statewide Independent Living Council, acting on behalf of and at the direction of the Council. The plan addresses the provision of state IL services, the development and support of a statewide network of centers for independent living and the working relationships among programs providing IL services, CILs, the state VR program, and other programs providing services for individuals with disabilities.
State	The term state includes, in addition to each of the several states of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, except where otherwise noted.
Unserved and Underserved Populations	include, but are not limited to, groups or populations of individuals with significant disabilities who: (1) have cognitive and sensory impairments; (2) are members of racial and ethnic minority groups; (3) live in rural areas; or (4) have been identified by the eligible agency as unserved or underserved with a center's project area