Self-Determination Planning Tool: Making My Own Decisions

For parents, caregivers, and family members

Today we will ask you to think about the person with a disability for whom you are a parent, caregiver, or family member. Think about the different areas of their life in which they make decisions: (1) Health Care, (2) Money, and (3) Personal Life. Choose one or more of these categories and mark the box that best represents the level of support that they are receiving.

Health Care	Does not receive support in this area	Receives some support in this area	Does not make decisions in this area	l don't know
Decide when to go to their doctor or dentist				
Prepare for an emergency				
Find trustworthy health information				
Ask questions when visiting their doctor				
Get the accommodations they need when visiting their doctor				

Money	Does not receive support in this area	Receives some support in this area	Does not make decisions in this area	l don't know
Pay their rent and bills				
Buy their own groceries and household items				
Know how much money they can spend				
Decide how to spend their money				
Decide how to save their money				

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Personal Life	Does not receive support in this area	Receives some support in this area	Does not make decisions in this area	l don't know
Decide where to live and who they live with				
Decide what activities to do in their free time				
Make decisions about the classes, programs, or jobs that they want to do				
Know what accommodations they need at school and/or work				
Decide who supports them when making decisions about their life				

There are many tools to help you think about your self-determination and decision making. Check out the resource libraries below for more information.

Group Name	Resources/Tools	Description
Zarrow Institute on Transition and Self-Determination at the University of Oklahoma	View a library of self- determination and life skills assessment tools at: <u>www.ou.edu/education/zarrow/</u> <u>resources/assessments</u>	 A variety of self-determination assessment tools to help identify: areas of strength and areas needing support specific and individualized goals
American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)	View ACLU's library of supported decision-making tool at <u>www.aclu.org/documents/supp</u> <u>orted-decision-making-</u> <u>resource-library</u>	 A collection of print and video resources aimed at providing: information around supported decision-making tools for implementing supported decision-making

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