

Advocate Questions for Listening Sessions with People First

Team Process:

1. How does your team work for you?
2. Do they listen to you?
3. Do you meet with the case manager before your team meeting? If not, would this be helpful?
4. Are you able to speak up for the activities you want to do, what's important to you?
5. Would you be more comfortable if you talked about the budget without the whole team there? maybe just your case manager and whoever you invite?
6. Do you think case managers should be allowed to do the DD Waiver and the Mi Via Waiver?
7. Do you run your own team meeting? If not, would you like to learn how?

Services:

1. Do you get any therapies? If so, does this help you? If so, how does it help? How long have you been doing it? Do you think you need more or less therapy or is it just right?
2. Do you get nursing and if so, do you think it helps or that you need it?
3. Do you get any services that you do not really want? Or you do not really ask for? Or that do not really help with your goals
4. Are there any services you would like more of, less of, or is this just right?

Choice:

1. Do you like where you live? What do you like about it?
2. Does your staff listen to you?
3. Do you spend your day the way you want to?
4. Are you given choices? Or do people make decisions without asking you?
5. Would you like to be more independent? What would this look like for you?
6. What would you need to make it happen?
7. Is there anything you would you like to do that you're not doing right now? What is it?
8. Is there anything you're doing right now that you don't want to do?

Assistive Technology:

1. Do you know about assistive technology like a shower chair or special shoes or adaptive clothing that may help you do the things you want to do?
2. Would you use more if you could pay for it?

Personal Support Technology:

1. Do you know you can request certain types of technology that can help you be more independent? (ex. check in with staff or nurse by video, automatic timers to help take medicine at the right time, etc.)

Non-Medical Transportation:

1. Is transportation a problem for you to do the activities you want? Is this talked about at your IDT meetings?
2. Do you know you can get bus passes paid for?
3. What do you think about using Uber or some other type of transportation?

Training:

1. Do you feel your staff are well trained?
2. What training would you like your staff to have?

Rights:

1. Do you know that you have rights (even if you have a guardian.)? What are they?
2. Do you have a key to your house?
3. Can you go home during the day if you want to?
4. Can you have friends over and go to your friend's homes?
5. Do you know that you have a right to develop your own plan of support if you need help with some medical or behavior issues?
6. Are you aware of any limits or restrictions to your rights (for example, the use of emergency physical restraint if you are in danger or hurting yourself or someone else) BEFORE they happen? What are some examples of restrictions you have?

7. Are you included in talking about your rights restriction? Do you know you can talk to people on your team, in your family, or to DDS staff about your concerns, or about not wanting to have the restriction?

(Get HRC doc. that Sabrina James and maybe Anna Zollinger worked on)

Employment:

1. If you have a job coach, how well does this work for you? Are they with you too much, not enough, or just right?
2. If you do not have a job right now would you like help to get one?

Dental:

1. Do you see a dentist in your home town?