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Value Added: Collecting IL Data for Statewide and Local CIL / SILC Impact

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What you will learn

- The importance of obtaining buy-in and commitment from all relevant stakeholders for increasing the success of a statewide data collecting and reporting effort.
- How to incorporate and utilize standardized collection methods at the local CIL level.
- How to combine individual CIL data into a statewide database reporting tool.
- Strategies for expanding CIL capacity by utilizing a statewide database reporting tool.



What you will learn, cont'd.

- How to use collected data to impact funding at the state legislative level.
- A methodology and best practices in developing a successful statewide data sharing program.
- How to apply a methodology statewide for sharing by CILs and key partners.



Stakeholder Buy-In

- Michigan Statewide Database System
 - Was a joint project involving
 - Michigan Rehabilitation Services (DSU)
 - SILC
 - Disability Network Michigan
 - Michigan's Network of CILs
- MRS Agreed to purchase the database system and eventually funded one support staff employee to administer.
 - Requires the use of the system in the state grant process



Statewide Training

- Training was completed at all CILs by database vendor
 - Statewide database administrator is also available to conduct on-site trainings and ensure data is being correctly entered
- Monthly meetings are conducted and led by CIL staff and involve representation from all CILs to discuss data as well as:
 - Training needs
 - Quality control
 - CIL to CIL Peer Support
- The system works because of collaboration between all involved



Data Collection Methodology

- The system centers around the federal reporting standards.
- Michigan goes beyond the federal reporting standards and developed the following:
 - Statewide Outcome Tracking
 - Services center around identified priority areas unique to Michigan CIL Services
 - Michigan created a guideline document called "Telling Our Story with Data" to standardize data collection



Data Collection Methodology, cont'd.

 This allows Michigan to comply with all federal data collection responsibilities and tell a unique expanded story of IL Services in the state.



System Flexibility (Local CIL)

- Local Benefits of System
 - Completion of 704 Report
 - Ability to manage projects more effectively
 - Staff Allocation
 - Time Sheets and Personal Allocation Resources
 - Referral Tracking
 - Consumer Self-Sufficiency
 - Work Plan Development
 - Needs assessment of community based upon what our consumers are reporting on the barriers they face



System Flexibility (Local CIL), cont'd.

- Determination of average staff work loads
 - What resources are needed to serve more consumers?
- Evaluation of Community Service effectiveness
- Fee for Service billing
- Mileage reimbursement



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Statewide Database

- Creation of a Statewide Database
 - Because all CILs share a common data reporting and entry language, software combines the individual data into one singe database
 - All identifiable consumer information is removed in this process



Statewide Database, cont'd.

- What Information can be Obtained at the State Level
 - Evaluation of IL Program
 - Holes in service areas
 - Detailed Outcome measurement
 - Accurate Return on Investment
 - SPIL Development Data
 - Legislative Data Reports
 - Effectiveness of Statewide Partnership
 - Advanced metrics on services
 - Think Tank Data Support



Statewide Database, cont'd. 2

- Strategic Planning based upon actual data
 - Allows CIL directors to make local and statewide decisions based upon measurable data trends
 - Allows SILC to incorporate data trends and make a more detailed understanding of served and un-served areas for SPIL Development



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Expanding CIL Capacity

- Statewide IL Data is utilized by Disability Network/ Michigan (CIL Association) to expand CIL Capacity. This process involves:
 - Development and analysis of Pilot Projects
 - Legislative Reports on the effectiveness and cost savings of IL Services
 - Dashboard Metrics for quick analysis of trends and current service levels



- Flexibility to answer specific questions posed by legislators with a very short turn-around time
 - There is no need to go back and ask every CIL for the information, it can be tabulated in moments
- Data allows the CIL Network to speak with authority on services and collaborative efforts to State Agencies.



- Department of Health and Human Services
 - VR Agency Employment
 - Adjudicated Youth
 - Healthy Michigan
 - Adult Home Help
 - Nursing Home Transition
 - Mental Health Services
 - Emergency Preparation
- Office of Service to Aging
 - Aging and Disability Resource Collaboratives
 - Long-Term Services and Supports
 - No Wrong Door Transformation Project



- Department of Civil Rights
 - State ADA Compliance Office
 - Accessibility
- Department of Corrections
 - Transitioning back to community
 - Swift and Sure Program
- Secretary of State
 - Accessible Voting
 - Access to Accessible Materials



- Licensing and Regulatory Affairs
 - Bureau of Services to Blind Persons VR Employment
 - Nursing Home/Group Home Regulations
- Department of Natural Resources
 - Accessible Recreation in Michigan
- Michigan State Housing Development Authority
 - Promote access to affordable & accessible housing
- Department of Education
 - Special Education Policy
 - Early Childhood Intervention Programs



- Support from the Michigan Legislature
 - Michigan has a FY 2015 state appropriation of \$6.5 million.
 - Data allows CILs to make a strong case for increased funding or maintaining funding.
 - Return on Investment (employment/nursing home transition)
 - IL Guide Pilot Project Measuring Economic Self-Sufficiency
 - Most essential tool we have is Relationships. Data enhances our credibility.



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Building a System

- Collaboration
 - All partners involved need to see benefit
- Constant re-evaluation and improvement
 - Not staying static. Investigating new ways to utilize data
 - What is working and what isn't. Not being afraid to ask tough questions on the system.
- CIL to CIL Peer Support
 - Leadership teams meeting regularly to discuss issues, improvement and problem solving.
 - Consistent training for new staff



Statewide Sharing of Data

- Trust
 - Single largest factor in the ultimate success or failure of the system. All involved must work together and trust all have the best interest of IL as their motivation.
 - Statewide data is projected as a state picture, it is not used to compare CILs in the state.
- Memorandum of Understanding
 - For any data to be shared, there must be agreed upon framework to disperse the information



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