

IL Site Visits 2023-2024:

Training on Content



Overview:

- Purpose of site visits
- Review Independent Living Program requirements
- Review 2023-2024 site visit expectations
- Review site visit cycle
- Technical assistance and support available through CWRC
- Questions

Purpose of IL Site Visits:

- Review and evaluate IL services in each county to ensure minimum program requirements are being met
- Provide support and consultation to help counties and providers improve IL services
- Collect and analyze data related to IL services
- Hear directly from youth and alumni about the impact and quality of IL services

IL Program Requirements:

- Eligibility and Referral
- Needs Assessment
- Service Planning (including transition planning)
- Service Areas
 - Life Skills
 - Employment
 - Education
 - Housing
 - Support/Permanency
 - Prevention (drug abuse, alcohol abuse, pregnancy)
- Service Delivery and Service Array
- Services should be delivered based on needs of youth
- Aftercare Services
- NYTD (National Youth in Transition Database)
- Credit Reporting

IL Site Visits: Expectations and Updates



Site Visit Cycle:

- Step 1: Prepare for IL Site Visit
- Step 2: Schedule IL Site Visit
- Step 3: Conduct IL Site Visit
- Step 4: Complete IL Site Visit Report
- Step 5: 90 Day Follow Up
- TA, Resource Sharing, and Training

Electronic Pre-Site Visit Questionnaire:

- PIS assigned to each county will be given a county specific login and password
- PI's will send the counties log in information to the county in the initial site visit outreach email
- **All questions must be answered**
- If a response exceeds the textbox, please complete the answer in a Word document and send it to the PIS
- Counties can print questionnaire once it's completed
- Counties can save and return to the document later

90 Day Follow Up Visits:

- Conducted with every county
- Present approved IL report, review progress on recommendations/action steps
- Occur within 90 days of onsite visit
- Resources and supports shared

OCYF Priority Areas:

- Permanency and Permanent Connections
- Youth Voice
- Chafee Education and Training Grant and FosterEd
- National Youth and Transition Database (NYTD) Federal Review
- Federal Credit Reporting Requirement

Reminders:

- Youth voice is a requirement of the site visit process
 - New youth friendly resource
<http://www.payab.pitt.edu/files/ILBrochure.pdf>
- Technical assistance and support are available through CWRC
 - Practice Improvement Specialists
 - Older Youth Project Manager
 - Youth Ambassador(s)/Youth Quality Improvement Specialist(s)

Questions



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