



Description of Project Participation

Partners Advancing Self-Determination (PAS) is a new four-year project done in collaboration with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration (BHDDA).

The PAS goal is to increase the availability and use of arrangements that support self-determination (S-D) for people with developmental disabilities in Michigan. PAS staff, along with BHDDA, will provide free state-level technical assistance, training, and support to local Advancement Teams that want to improve Community Mental Health (CMH) processes and, if necessary, change policies to help make sure people are able to direct their own services. In addition to increasing the satisfaction of people receiving services, the project will also help CMHs meet some of the new Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) requirements.

During the first year, fiscal year 2018, PAS will assist two Advancement Teams and then three in each following year. While the most intensive support will be provided during the first year, technical assistance will be available for the duration of the grant.

In addition to improving supports at a local level, PAS will facilitate a state-level Advisory Council. With BHDDA the Council will develop/refine state requirements and standards that ensure consistent, quality person-centered planning that results in changes in MDHHS/BHDDA policies, procedures, guidance, and technical assistance.

We are now recruiting Advancement Teams! Join our partnership!

The team members are expected to include:

- **Community Mental Health Service Providers (CMHSPs or CMHs),**
- **Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PHIPs),**
- **Intermediate School Districts (ISDs),**
- **People with intellectual/developmental disabilities (I/DD), their family members, and allies**
- **MRS (if applicable)**
- **Service Providers (if applicable)**
- **Others**

We hope you will join Partners Advancing Self-Determination to improve the lives of people with developmental disabilities in your community!

To apply to participate, fill out this online PAS Advancement Team Application or send it by fax or by postal service by 2/2/18 to:

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Phase 1
Develop
Team &
Apply

- Advancement Teams will recruit person(s) with developmental disabilities willing to participate and other Team members.
- Fill out and submit application by 2/2/18.
- Applications will be reviewed by the PAS Team and you will be notified by 2/15/18.

Phase 2
Training &
Support

- An introductory session will include disability history, disability pride, and person-centered planning, independent facilitation, and the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) rules so that all team members will begin the process with the same understanding of these topics. We expect each of the training sessions will take around 5.5 hours, including lunch, and occur once per month.
- A second session will focus on arrangements that support self-determination. There will be an overview and then a discussion of the process in use at the particular CMH. Team members will identify barriers to be addressed.
- In the third session team members will develop a plan to address barriers or to refine the S-D process currently in use. Additional topics will be customized for each group to focus on issues important to them

Phase 3
Outreach

- This phase will prepare the Team's staff to do outreach presentations about self-determination and be a resource for self-directed services in their community.
- This session will be done later in the process after the Team has had time to work on assisting people to access self-determination and address barriers.
- Technical assistance and support will be provided by the PAS Team and BHHDA to the Advancement Teams to help them: coordinate activities, exchange information, develop documentation, change/develop policies, assess progress on common goals, and provide mutual support.



Advancement Team Application (Page 1)

Directions: Please provide the following information to be considered as a Team. Team members who will participate in this project and receive technical assistance, training, and support to advance self-determination in your community.

* 1. Please describe your organization's past experience helping people use arrangements that support self-determination.

* 2. Why is your team applying to participate in Partners Advancing Self-Determination (no more than 200 words)?

* 3. Will your entire team commit to attend (4) one-day training events (Location: To be determined)?

Yes

No

* 4. What is the name of the "Person(s) with intellectual/developmental disabilities (I/DD) wanting arrangements that support self-determination (can be multiple people)"?



Advancement Team Application (Page 2)

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List the Advancement Team members including their names and titles. The CMHSP staff, PIHP staff, Person(s) w/DD, and family members are required team members.

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Family member of the person with intellectual/developmental disabilities (I/DD) (if applicable)

Supports Coordinator

Community Mental Health Service Provider (CMHSP or CMH)

Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHP)

Intermediate School Districts (ISD)

Other person(s)

* 6. Does your Advancement Team agree to the following?

Yes

No

Commit all applicable staff, including support coordinators, case managers, and others to be trained and to train others within the PIHP and CMHSP to arrange supports and services using the tools that promote self-determination and the authentic use of person-centered planning

Promote and encourage the use of self-determination arrangements with people with I/DD, including those with high and complex support needs who may communicate non-traditionally, come from diverse backgrounds, and their families

	Yes	No
Review, edit, and change any local policies/rules/procedures that present barriers to the self-determination process	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Provide education and training opportunities about self-determination for people with I/DD, including those with high and complex support needs from diverse backgrounds, their family members and allies, including ISD students and their teachers and/or transition coordinators from	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Participate in all PAS project evaluation activities, including, but not limited to data collection, focus groups, interviews, etc.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Take part in PAS team meetings and to provide a method for information dissemination throughout their Advancement Team membership	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Develop relationships with ethnically diverse groups in their community to assure and improve cultural competence within their pilot team	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



Partners Advancing Self-Determination: Team Application

Advancement Team Application Contact

Provide the contact information for the individual submitting this application on behalf of the Advancement Team.

7. What is the contact information for the individual submitting this application on behalf of the Advancement Team?

Contact Name

Agency

Agency Address 1

Agency Address 2

City/Town

State/Province

ZIP/Postal Code

Contact's Email Address

Contact's Phone Number

* 8. Signature: Print your name to confirm your submission.

* 9. Date this application to confirm your submission.

Date / Time MM DD YYYY

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