Core Belief: All people have the right to live, love, work, play and pursue their life aspirations just as others do in their community.

Focusing on ALL

100% 4.9 million citizens with developmental disabilities 75% 25% national percentage receiving state DD services


Life Stages and Life Domains

Daily Life & Employment: What you do as part of everyday life—school, employment, volunteering, communication, routines, life skills.
Community Living: Where and how you live—housing and living options, community access, transportation, home modifications.
Safety & Security: Staying safe and secure—emergencies, well-being, guardianship options, legal rights and issues.
Healthy Living: Managing and accessing health care and staying well—medical, mental health, behavior, developmental, wellness and nutrition.
Social & Spirituality: Building friendships and relationships, leisure activities, personal networks, faith community.
Citizenship & Advocacy: Building valued roles, making choices, setting goals, assuming responsibility and driving how one’s own life is lived.
Prenatal/Infancy: Early years, wondering if meeting developmental milestones
Early Childhood: Preschool age, getting a diagnosis
School Age: Everyday life during school years
Transition: Transitions from school to adult life—Realizing school is almost over!
Adulthood: Living life as an adult
Aging: Getting older and preparing for end of life (parent/family/individual)
People with disabilities are members of their families and communities.

With the best of intentions, all people receive integrated services and supports.

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Person within the Context of Family & Community

Integrated Supports Across the Life Course

TECHNOLOGY
- iPad/smartphone “apps”, remote monitoring, cognitive accessibility, adaptive equipment

PERSONAL STRENGTHS & ASSETS
- Life experiences, personal knowledge, personality traits, belongings, social skills, education and training

RELATIONSHIPS
- Family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, community members, church members

COMMUNITY BASED
- Schools, public transportation, businesses, churches, public safety, hospitals, parks & recreation

ELIGIBILITY SPECIFIC
- Developmental disability services, special education, Medicaid, food stamps, Section 8 housing, Vocational Rehabilitation

Access the LifeCourse tools and framework at lifecoursetools.com