

Welcome To The Alliance for Citizen Directed Supports

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FOR
CITIZEN DIRECTED SUPPORTS

Then and Now: A Discussion on Centering Multiply- Marginalized People with Disabilities

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Session Objectives

Who we are and what we do

What is institutionalization,
emphasizing the impact on
multiply-marginalized

Why self-direction is necessary
to deinstitutionalization

Why we center and uplift
multiply-marginalized
experiences in self-direction
(why it's necessary and what
do the community loses when
we don't)

Who We Are

The Alliance is dedicated to supporting people with disabilities who wish to take charge of their lives through self-direction and those people and organizations that support them.

Who We Are

The Alliance unifies people with disabilities, families, organizations, and advocates dedicated to advancing self-direction.

Together, our members share their knowledge of how to promote and enable full lives of their own choosing,

And the supports that are designed, implemented, and evaluated by the people receiving them.

Institutionalization vs Self-Directed Services

Institutionalization: the state of being placed or kept in a residential institution or setting.

Often results in loss of:

- Privacy
- Choice
- Freedom
- Safety

Who Is Institutionalized?

People who need extra supports to live

People who are alternative communicators

People without a freely chosen support system

Institutionalization vs Self-Directed Services

Self-directed services: services that support disabled people living in the community in accordance with their wishes

Often result in:

- Freedom
- Participation in their community
- Inclusion in society
- Better health

Why is Self-
Direction
Necessary?

Disabled people are living
the lives they want

Disabled people participate
and are included in society

May not cost less, but
usually doesn't cost more

Multiply- Marginalized Disabled People In Self-Direction

Why it's necessary and,

What the community loses
when we don't support people
to lead their own lives, and
control their services

Centering
Multiply-
Marginalized
Disabled
People In Self
Direction

Lives In Progress
Collective

Resource Hub

Collaborating with people
and system partners

Thank You For Being a Part of This Important Movement!

NOW! We want to hear from you ...

- **Will you consider joining the Alliance?**
- **How could this association best meet your needs?**
- **What are your interests/skills and are there ways you can contribute toward the future of this growing organization?**



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