

Recommendations for Coverage

- Independent living skills training
- Training on the use of adaptive equipment
- Education on alternative adaptive equipment or tools
- Community integration activities
- Life skills such as managing money and medical appointments
- One-on-one, not group sessions

Recommendations for Limitations

- Service must be disability-related
- The individual must be capable of learning the skill
- The service should have time limitations, be temporary
 - Participant must be making progress
 - Up front expectation that training will end

Recommendations for Provider Qualifications

- Limit the provider pool to the Centers for Independent Living
- Require years of experience providing independent living skills training and evidence with provider applications

Other Ideas

- Create a separate service for an assessment of training needs
 - One-time assessment to develop the goal plan and service parameters
 - Require the goal plan to be submitted with the POS in order to get the service approved
 - Goal plan will include expected end dates and progress milestones
- Require quarterly updates to the training plan to mark progress
 - Require documentation of visits and progress towards goals
 - Require documentation of barriers to goal achievement

Consumer training language currently in the approved State Plan

1.1 Acquisition, maintenance, and enhancement of skills necessary for the individual to accomplish activities of daily living, instrumental activities of daily living, and health related tasks.

- a. Consumer training –
 - i. The topics covered by consumer training may include, but are not limited to money management and budgeting, independent living and meal planning. These activities are to be targeted to the individualized needs of the participant receiving the training; and sensitive of the educational background, culture, and general environment of the participant receiving the training.
 - ii. To participate in the Program as a provider of consumer training, a provider shall: be a self-employed trainer or an agency that employs qualified trainers, have demonstrated experience with the skill being taught, and be willing to meet at the participant's home to provide services.