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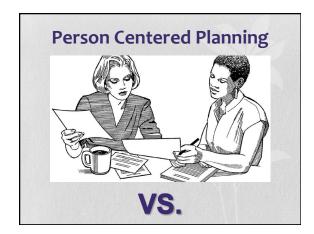
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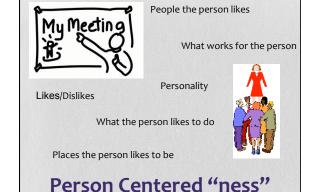


Outcomes:

Participants will:

- Differentiate between capacity based and deficit based person centered planning
- Identify the purpose and process of conducting personcentered plans for students with multiple disabilities including deaf-blindness
- Identify at least 3 challenges to a successful person plan





A Few Important Points:

- Process results in a personalized plan of action
- It is not an IEP, nor a substitute for it
- Best precedes an IEP and provides the school's transdisciplinary team with important information useful when constructing an IEP.

Person Centered Planning

Purpose:

To get to know the student and what she wants in life

To understand the dreams of family members

To establish a record of past and current events for future reflection

To serve as a basis for **meaningful** educational and life planning



It can be an ongoing process to face challenges and a way to think about this person in a "new way."

The qualities of a friend of mine:

- Great sense of humor
- Kind
- Works hard
- Loves to listen to music
- Is interested in what other people do



Some Key Components of a Person-Centered Plan

- ♦ Voluntary
- ◆ Collaborative philosophy
- Variety of individuals who play a part in the person's life
- Plans WITH not FOR the person (and family)

AND...

Some Key Components of a Person-Centered Plan

- ◆ It starts with <u>abilities</u> and interests, rather than <u>disabilities</u>
- ◆ Critical events in person's life: positive and negative

Tip: You are looking for patterns that give direction to strategies, activities and location in which the person succeeds!

Benefits of **Person Centered Planning**

- ◆ Comfortable atmosphere
- Person and family speak FIRST
- ◆ Better understanding by all people
- Visual and current picture
- Basis for determining needs and planning

Person centered plans MAY include sections for the person's:

- ◆ Personal Life History ◆ Places
- ◆ Health
- ◆ Choices
- Relationships
- Respect
- Personality
- **♦** Communication
- Preferences
- ◆ Hopes, Dreams & Fears

"Personal Life History Map"

Purpose:

To understand the life experiences of the focus person and his family.



A personal history from birth to present is generated for the individual by the group. Everyone who has known the individual contributes relevant information as they tell their stories about him.

"Personal Life History Map"

Outcomes:

Positive experiences point out opportunities upon which the group can build



The grief, loss and traumas give the group a greater appreciation for the individual and her family

Celebrates accomplishments

Shows how opportunities in the present are often a result of the past

"Personal Life History Map"

Information is collected and "mapped" by the facilitator.



Parents are often stunned by their child's accomplishments.

People learn many things they haven't known before.

The person gets a sense of his history.

"Health Map"

Purpose:

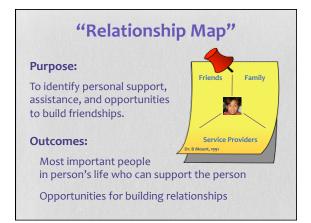
To identify signs of good health and signs of health problems.

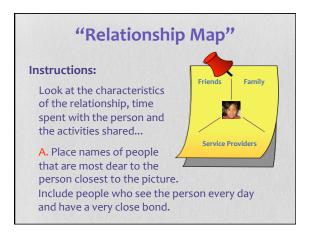


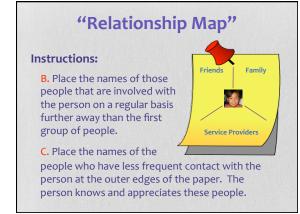
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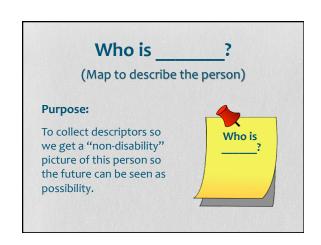
To ensure improvement or maintenance of health by implementing activities and/ or routines with the person.

Assist the person in participating in maintaining his health.









Information shared by peers, family and service providers at a person-centered planning meeting

• Energetic
• Playful
• Communicative
• Intelligent
• Beautiful
• Sense of humor
• Determined
• Physical
• Selfish

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"Preferences Map"

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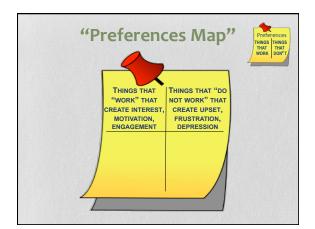
Outcomes:

To discover capacities to build on and conditions to avoid.

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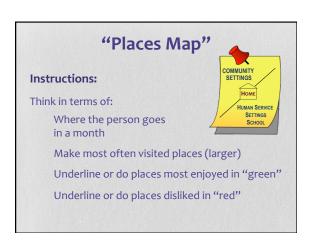
Identify patterns in gifts, potential interest, and unique contributions of the person

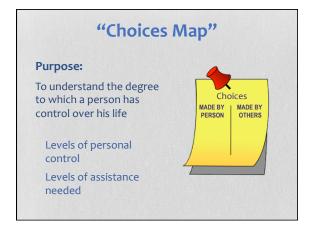
Identify patterns in the conditions that block or challenge development of opportunities to build on in the future

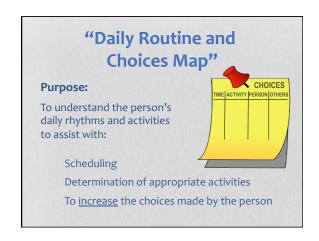


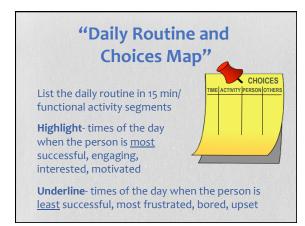


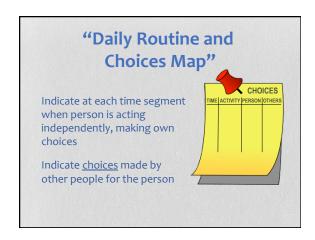


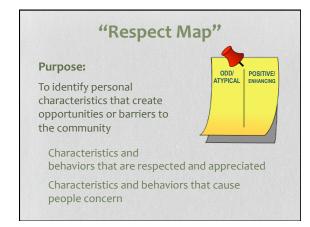


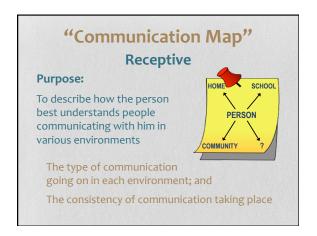












"Communication Map"

Expressive

Purpose:

To describe how the person communicates in various environments



The type of communication going on in each environment; and

The consistency of communication taking place

Hopes, Dreams & Fears

Purpose:

To identify hopes & dreams to work toward, and fears and nightmares to avoid



The hope and dreams the person has for the future

The fears and nightmares that should be avoided or minimized

Reflection opportunity:

Consider all the areas that might be addressed in a person-centered plan, think of a child or student you would want to do a person-centered plan with... and

Identify the 6 areas that you would see as absolute "musts" in the planning for any child or student of any age:

- ◆ Personal Life History
- Health
- Relationships
- Personality
- Preferences
- ◆ Places
- Choices
- ♦ Respect
- ◆ Communication
- ♦ Hopes, Dreams & Fears

Summarizing the challenges in successful person-centered planning:

- All people participating and viewing the person through capacity colored lenses
- Good facilitator
- A process for using the information and reviewing the plan and collecting student progress data-and school district staff person who is in charge of "keeping it going"
- All people staying focused on the student, not what they as participants are possible or not- high enough expectations!

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