Life Course Tools



PERSONAL STRENGTHS & ASSETS FOR SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING

Decision making:

 Ability to communicate wants, needs, and wishes. (traditional, sign, gesture, communication device)

Money management:

· Understands concept of money

Personal safety:

- Knows address, phone, other contacts
- · Carries ID
- · Emergency plan
- · Ready bag for emergencies

TECHNOLOGY FOR SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING

Decision making:

- · Smart phone
- Telephone
- Computer

Money management:

- · Online banking
- · Debit card

Personal safety:

- · GPS enabled device
- Personal safety device
- · Remote monitoring
- · Computer or electronic locks

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING

Decision making:

- Medical advisors (Doctor, Nurse)
- · Clergy or life coach
- · Financial advisors
- Educational advisors (Teacher, Counselor)

Money management:

- · Limited bank account
- · Direct deposit
- · Automatic bill pay

Personal safety:

- Neighbors
- Police
- Fire
- · Emergency medical responders

ELIGIBILITY SUPPORTS FOR SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING

Decision making:

- · Service coordinator
- · Plenary or limited guardianship

Money management:

- Representative payee for SSI, SSDI, VA or other benefits
- · Supplemental special needs trust
- ABLE account

Personal safety:

- Personal care attendant/Direct care worker
- · Adult protective services

RELATIONSHIPS FOR SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING

Decision making:

- · Personal contract or agency agreement
- Power of attorney General
- · Power of attorney for health care
- Supported (shared) decision making

Money management:

· Joint bank account

Personal safety:

· Close family & friends