

WSC ADVISORY #2018-003
NEW PERSON-CENTERED SUPPORT PLAN

ACTION REQUIRED

EFFECTIVE DATE: FEBRUARY 28, 2018

The Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) is excited to roll out a new format for the required Person-Centered Support Plan. This plan was developed with feedback from Waiver Support Coordinators (WSCs), self-advocates, providers, and QIarant (formally known as Delmarva). The new support plan format is responsive to federal requirements for person-centered planning. This new format will help WSCs to have person-centered conversations with the individuals they serve and to create a person-centered support plan.

WSCs should begin reviewing the attached *Draft Person-Centered Support Plan Manual* and familiarize themselves with the new information. APD will provide online self-paced training for WSCs in March 2018.

Once WSCs have completed training, they should begin using the new Person-Centered Support Plan format for those annual support plans that have not yet been started in the old format. WSCs will not be required to re-do support plans previously completed on the old form but will convert those to the new format at the next annual support plan date.

For planning purposes, it is the intent of the Agency that all person-centered support plans are converted to the new format by October 1, 2019.

Thank you for your attention to this exciting new way of supporting people with developmental disabilities to direct their own life and services and supports.