

PREPARING FOR ADULTHOOD WORKSHOP HANDOUT #1:

NATIONAL CORE INDICATORS

National Core Indicators (NCI) is a collaborative effort between the **National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS)** and the **Human Services Research Institute (HSRI)**. Currently 40 states and Washington D.C. are member agencies. To get more information about the standards of support set by NCI, go to www.nationalcoreindicators.org. To find out if your state is a member, click on the heading "NCI states" on the home page.

Individual Outcomes Individual outcome indicators address how well public system aids adults with developmental disabilities to work, participate in their communities, have friends and sustain relationships, and exercise choice and self-determination. Other indicators in this domain probe how satisfied individuals are with services and supports.

Health, Welfare, and Rights These indicators address the following topics: (a) safety and personal security; (b) health and wellness; and (c) protection of and respect for individual rights.

System Performance The system performance indicators address the following topics: (a) service coordination; (b) family and individual participation in provider-level decisions; (c) the utilization of and outlays for various types of services and supports; (d) cultural competency; and (e) access to services.

Staff Stability These indicators address provider staff stability and competence of direct contact staff.

Family Indicators The family indicators address how well the public system assists children and adults with developmental disabilities, and their families, to exercise choice and control in their decision-making, participate in their communities, and maintain family relationships. Additional indicators probe how satisfied families are with services and supports they receive, and how supports have affected their lives.