

Independent Facilitation

What does an Independent Facilitator do?

- Conducts a pre-meeting to identify strengths and needs
- Organizes a fun and productive planning process
- Records information in an understandable, concise format
- Encourages brainstorming, problem-solving, and action steps
- Assists in locating community resources
- Uses person-centered planning tools to facilitate the planning process

An Independent Facilitator is an individual who facilitates the Person-Centered Planning (PCP) process in collaboration with the person. This individual is independent from but paid by Community Mental Health of Ottawa County. An independent facilitator will get to know the individual and help with all pre-planning activities, such as identifying who the person would like to attend the meeting and where and when the meeting will be held. The Independent Facilitator facilitates the PCP meeting and assists with developing the Individual Plan of Service to help a person achieve their goals.

For more information, call the ACCESS Center at (616) 393-5681 and ask to speak with a navigator.