

(b) *Alternative communication needs staffing.* The State plan must also assure that, to the maximum extent feasible, the service provider makes available personnel able to communicate—

(1) With individuals with significant disabilities who rely on alternative modes of communication, such as manual communication, nonverbal communication devices, Braille, or audio tapes, and who apply for or receive IL services under title VII of the Act; and

(2) In the native languages of individuals with significant disabilities whose English proficiency is limited and who apply for or receive IL services under title VII of the Act.

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(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 796c(a)(1))

**§ 364.24 What assurances are required for staff development?**

The State plan must assure that the service provider establishes and maintains a program of staff development for all classes of positions involved in providing IL services and, if appropriate, in administering the CIL program. The staff development program must emphasize improving the skills of staff directly responsible for the provision of IL services, including knowledge of and practice in the IL philosophy.

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**§ 364.25 What are the requirements for a statewide network of centers for independent living?**

(a) The State plan must include a design for the establishment of a statewide network of centers that comply with the standards and assurances in section 725 (b) and (c) of the Act and subparts F and G of 34 CFR part 366.

(b) The design required by paragraph (a) of this section must identify unserved and underserved areas and must provide an order of priority for serving these areas.

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**§ 364.26 What are the requirements for cooperation, coordination, and working relationships?**

(a) The State plan must include steps that will be taken to maximize the cooperation, coordination, and working relationships among—

(1) The SILS program, the SILC, and centers; and

(2) The DSU, other State agencies represented on the SILC, other councils that address the needs of specific disability populations and issues, and other public and private entities determined to be appropriate by the SILC.

(b) The State plan must identify the entities to which the DSU and the SILC will relate in carrying out the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section.

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**§ 364.27 What are the requirements for coordinating Independent Living (IL) services?**

The State plan must describe how IL services funded under chapter 1 of title VII of the Act will be coordinated with, and complement, other services, to avoid unnecessary duplication with other Federal, State, and local programs, including the OIB program authorized by chapter 2 of title VII of the Act, that provide IL- or VR-related services. This description must include those services provided by State and local agencies administering the special education, vocational education, developmental disabilities services, public health, mental health, housing, transportation, and veterans' programs, and the programs authorized under titles XVIII through XX of the Social Security Act within the State.

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**§ 364.28 What requirements relate to IL services for older individuals who are blind?**

The State plan must include an assurance that the DSU will seek to incorporate into and describe in the

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State plan any new methods or approaches for the provision to older individuals who are blind of IL services that are developed under a project funded under chapter 2 of title VII of the Act and that the DSU determines to be effective.

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### § 364.29 What are the requirements for coordinating Federal and State sources of funding?

(a) The State plan must describe efforts to coordinate Federal and State funding for centers and IL services.

(b) The State plan must identify the amounts, sources, and purposes of the funding to be coordinated under paragraph (a) of this section, including the amount of State funds earmarked for the general operation of centers.

(c) Cross-reference: See 34 CFR 366.30(a).

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(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 796c(k))

### § 364.30 What notice must be given about the Client Assistance Program (CAP)?

The State plan must include satisfactory assurances that all service providers will use formats that are accessible to notify individuals seeking or receiving IL services under chapter 1 of title VII about—

(a) The availability of the CAP authorized by section 112 of the Act;

(b) The purposes of the services provided under the CAP; and

(c) How to contact the CAP.

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(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 718a and 796c(m)(1))

### § 364.31 What are the affirmative action requirements?

The State plan must include satisfactory assurances that all recipients of financial assistance under parts B and C of chapter 1 of title VII of the Act will take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified individuals with significant disabilities on the same terms and conditions re-

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quired with respect to the employment of individuals with disabilities under section 503 of the Act.

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### § 364.32 What are the requirements for outreach?

(a) With respect to IL services and centers funded under chapter 1 of title VII of the Act, the State plan must include steps to be taken regarding outreach to populations in the State that are unserved or underserved by programs under title VII, including minority groups and urban and rural populations.

(b) The State plan must identify the populations to be designated for targeted outreach efforts under paragraph (a) of this section and the geographic areas (i.e., communities) in which they reside.

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### § 364.33 What is required to meet minority needs?

The State plan must demonstrate how the State will address the needs of individuals with significant disabilities from minority group backgrounds.

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### § 364.34 What are the fiscal and accounting requirements?

In addition to complying with applicable EDGAR fiscal and accounting requirements, the State plan must include satisfactory assurances that all recipients of financial assistance under parts B and C of chapter 1 of title VII of the Act will adopt those fiscal control and fund accounting procedures as may be necessary to ensure the proper disbursement of and accounting for those funds.

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