

Independent Living of Niagara County is a consumer or “peer run” agency with opportunities for you to contribute in a variety of ways.

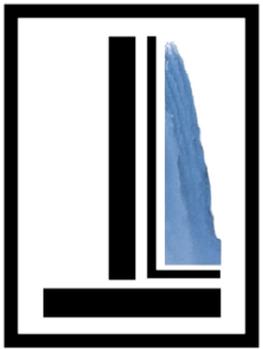
What Is Independent Living?

Services offered at Independent Living of Niagara County:

- Transition Services
- Developmental Disability Programs
- Independent Living Skills
- Medicaid Service Coordination
- Family Reimbursement
- OAHIO
- Taking Control
- Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
- Mental Health Peer Support & Wellness Coaching

Contribute to Independent Living of Niagara County: Our agency provides a variety of ways to financially support our mission. Individual contributions through our annual appeal letter, volunteering at events, and serving through the ILNC Council (see below). To get involved, please call our main number at 716-284-4131.

Council Membership: ILNC has a regional board of directors who monitor, direct, recommend, oversee the budget and assist the Director in achieving the agencies overall goals which includes equality, education and empowerment for people with disabilities.



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Independent Living Centers are 501(c)3, non-for profit organizations.

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Independent Living of Niagara County (ILNC)

Western New York Independent Living, Inc.
Family of Agencies

Healthy Minds of Niagara

OAHIO "The Good Path"

Taking Control
Consumer Directed
Personal Assistance Program

Education, Empowerment, and Equality for People with Disabilities throughout Niagara County

Independent Living of Niagara County

Our Vision: Independent Living of Niagara County (ILNC) is a member of the W.N.Y. Independent Living family of agencies. ILNC serves as a catalyst for individual and systems change, enhancing the quality of life for people with disabilities while respecting diversity, and promoting choice and alternatives for independent living within our community.

Our Mission: ILNC is a multi-cultural, grass roots, peer directed, civil rights organization that provides a full range of assistance, programs and services to enhance the quality of life for all individuals with disabilities.

ILNC is an agency that is directed, monitored, and staffed by people with disabilities to assist people with disabilities to achieve their life goals.

Our Core Services include independent living skills, individual and systems advocacy, information and referral, and peer supports.

Services Offered: ILNC provides Transition Services, Developmental Disability Programs, Independent Living Services, Medicaid Service Coordination, Benefits Advisement, Mental Health and Wellness Coaching and Family Reimbursement through Office of Persons With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD).

OAHIO: This “walls free” program includes Independent Living Skills, & Family Support.

Taking Control: Consumer Directed Personal Assistant Services (CDPAS): Individuals who have Medicaid/ Medicare may be eligible for in-home personal assistant services. The consumer controls hiring, training and evaluating their personal care provided by the attendant.

Services for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing: This program offers individual and family support, Telecommunication Technology information, deaf support groups, education, referrals, deaf community outreach and on and off site sign language classes.

Benefits Advisement: This program assists individuals with applying for benefits such as SSI and SSD related to his or her disability or diagnosis.

Healthy Minds Niagara: Wellness & Mental Health Coaching for people with mental health issues is a program designed to assist people to reach goals that will improve their quality of life in areas of mental and physical health, housing and community integration, daily needs, independent living and life management skills.

Western New York Independent Living, Inc. History: Born out of the nationwide independent living and civil rights movement, college students with disabilities who were fed-up with discrimination and the lack of access for people with disabilities, decided to create their own opportunities and assist their peers to do the same.

In 1979 “The Independents,” a group of students with disabilities at the State University of New York at Buffalo, investigated the independent living movement and began operating the Western New York Independent Living Project (ILP). The agency was awarded a Federal Title VII grant in 1980 and opened its own facility early in 1981.