

## IL-NET National Training and Technical Assistance Center for Independent Living



# Should our state choose 722 or 723 status?

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**Executive Director Peer Call** 



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#### What You Will Discuss Today

- What is a "722 state"?
- What is a "723 state"?
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of each?
- How do you change your status as a state?



# What is a Section 722 state?

- Section 722 is a section of the Rehabilitation Act as amended.
- You can find the full Rehabilitation Act here: <u>https://acl.gov/sites/default/files/about-acl/2020-</u> <u>07/rehabilitation-act-of-1973-amended-by-wioa.pdf</u>
- Sec. 722 grants are the grants to Centers for Independent Living in states in which federal funding exceeds state funding.
  - In these situations all the Part C grants are direct grants to centers and are overseen by ACL directly.
  - You cannot change this status unless you get your state to contribute more funding to IL than the federal grants contribute.

Questions about what this status is?

## What is a Section 723 state?

- Section 723 is a section of the Rehabilitation Act as amended.
- Section 723 states are those where the state funding to centers is equal to or exceeds the federal funding AND
- The SPIL for the state specifies that they wish to be designated as a 723 state.
- The designated state entity (DSE) for a 723 state oversees the federal grants and the Part C grants are no longer administered by ACL directly.
- This status can be changed by the state through its SPIL, which must be agreed to by 51% or more of the CILs in the state.



## Are there advantages to being a 723 state?

- There is more flexibility with redistribution of funds between Part C recipients, if agreed upon in the SPIL.
- Federal reviews would not typically take place, but regular state compliance reviews would typically occur.

**Questions & Discussion** 

## What needs clarification or more explanation?





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