

# 4 Key Principles Essential for Compliance with the HCBS Final Rule:

#### Choices

Choice is the right, power, or opportunity to choose; option.

# Rights

A person's right is that which is morally, legally, or ethically proper.

# **Opportunities**

An opportunity is a good position, chance, or prospect, as for advancement or success; "a set of circumstances that makes it possible to do something".

# **Community Integration**

Integration means to give or cause to give equal opportunity and consideration to.

# **Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)**

**August Agenda Item** 



### The Essential Guide to the DDS Survey...

ELARC is here to support our vendor community and to ensure that services provided to the individuals we serve are not affected. Providers of regional center services are required to complete a self-assessment as an integral step in measuring their level of compliance with the HCBS Final Rule.

#### 1. Provider Login Information

The Department (DDS) is utilizing an online platform developed by a contracted company, OIG Compliance Now, to complete this step. The department has granted several extensions to providers to complete this survey due to our current state of emergency.

#### 2. New Deadline to complete the Self-Assessment

The Department has notified regional centers that the Provider Self-Assessment will be available online for service providers to complete and submit no later than <u>August 31, 2020</u>. If the assessment is not completed by August 31, 2020 the service provider will receive an on-site compliance review visit by the DDS Team.

#### 3. Get Prepared

Once you complete the survey, save and print a copy for yourself and include the supporting documents that you included in the survey. This will save you a lot of time in the future if you do have an onsite assessment.

ELARC Community Services Specialists (CSS) can assist providers in completing the survey. You may contact your assigned CSS to schedule a one on one appointment or phone appointment. In addition, you could access the online portal OIG videos, DDS web Events at the DDS website about the survey completion, utilize the chat feature on the portal or help desk for technical problems with OIG.

ELARC has been and will continue to assist providers to develop transition plans to help bring their services into compliance by March 17, 2023.

Please discuss this item with your team, and assign a note taker to compile questions, concerns or thoughts about the information above. Please provide to <u>Maribel Garcia</u> at <u>margarcia@elarc.org</u> by 9/30/2020. Thank you.