

fa·cil·i·tate

[fuh-sil-i-teyt]

verb (facilitated, facilitating)

1. to make easier or less difficult; help forward (an action, a process, etc.)
2. to assist the progress of (a person).

\*facilitate\*. Dictionary.com Unabridged. Random House, Inc. 13 Jan. 2017.  
<Dictionary.com http://www.dictionary.com/browse/facilitate>.



## Independent Facilitation of Person Centered Planning



Let us serve as your planning **navigator** and **anchor!**

**We facilitate to make it easier for you.**

**You are much more than a checklist.**

Person-centered planning (PCP) is a creative process to design your Individual Plan of Service that is required by the state.

With an Independent Facilitator from The Arc Kent County, you can have a staff advocate dedicated just to you to help steer your community supports and services. This staff member serves as your navigator and as your anchor. Their job is to work with you to create a plan for what you will need to secure support and do well.

Creating the life you want can be a lot easier with a Person-Centered Planning Facilitator from The Arc Kent County.

Systems require assessments to assist in identifying where you are in your life and in what areas you require help. These can provide a good- but limited- picture of your abilities and personal preferences. Independent Facilitators at The Arc Kent County know that you are a person with a life of gifts, talents, desires and dreams. We focus on your strengths throughout the person-centered planning process.

**The Arc Kent County**

Contact us to learn more about how we can help.

  
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# Steering one's own ship can be rough in uncharted waters.

The process of knowing what's available to support you and your family can be daunting. Sometimes what you want may not be available simply because no one else has tested the waters.



Our Independent Facilitators can help! Questions?

Please call us at the number below. Otherwise, visit our website and see who is available to facilitate your planning. Find your best match- your ship mate - from our list of facilitators!



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## How does it work?

Check out our Independent Facilitators on The Arc Kent County website. **Contact us before your PCP meeting is scheduled.**

A facilitator you choose will assist with

- Getting ready for your planning meeting. (preplanning)
- Deciding where and what time the meeting should be held
- Choosing who to invite from those who are closest to you
- Finding first your goals, choices and preferences
- Developing action steps for these goals
- Identifying community and service support
- Assuring planning documents get to your Support Coordinator

## Cost?

There is no cost to you. The Arc Kent County provides independent person-centered planning facilitation through a contract with the Lakeshore Regional Entity.



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