

Pathways to Community Inclusion

18th December 2024

14:00pm -16:00pm CET Brussels Time

Online Teams

Meeting Goals

This is the third and final meeting of a series of online sessions that took place in autumn 2024 with EPR members and external speakers. The outcomes of the discussions will be integrated in a series of key messages put together by the EPR Secretariat.

The aim is to finalise discussions around how service providers can be enablers of independent living for persons with disabilities, and elaborating a common understanding within EPR members on how to implement the newly released EU Guidance on Independent Living and Inclusion in the Community.

More specifically, this meeting will aim at:

- Reflecting on the key findings from the past 2 meetings;
- Discussing the EU Guidance on Independent living and the transition to community-based services;
- Develop recommendations for approaches, activities, policies that foster independent living and inclusion in the community.

AGENDA

All the agenda points below include the possibility of input and feedback from EPR members.

14:00 Welcome and Tour de Table

Participants and speakers introduce themselves, their role and their organisation.

14:15 Presentation & Feedback: EU Guidance on Independent Living and Inclusion in the Community

Members share their views in response to the published Guidance on Independent Living.

15:00 Discussion: Implementing the Guidance in Practice

Exchange amongst participants about the applicability of the Guidance in work of service providers for persons with disabilities.

15:30 EPR Recommendations

EPR Secretariat shares key recommendations based on the findings of past Pathways to Community Inclusion meetings. Members share thoughts on proposals and key messaging.

15:50 Conclusions & Evaluation

Participants fill in Evaluation Form.

16:00 End of meeting



Preparation for the Meeting

Your Contribution

In order to make the most out of our online meeting, thanks for preparing the following information ahead of the day:

- Read the officially released EU Guidance on Independent Living.
- Look through the Reports of Pathways for Community Inclusion meeting 1 and 2.
- Prepare input on your organisation's work on independent living, and national/local/regional policy developments that impact your work related to the transition to community-based services.

Technicalities

To ensure a smooth running of our online meeting, thank you for checking the following points a few days before our meeting:

- Please logon at least 5 minutes in advance to check sound and video to ensure the meeting can start on time.
- We recommend using headphones/a headset to help prevent audio problems and improve sound quality.
- If possible, please join the webinar from a quiet room or without main entrances.

If you have any questions beforehand, do not hesitate to contact bgaleazzi@epr.eu

