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# ***Reporting and Guidance***

* ***Indirect Cost Rate Proposals:*** We have recently received questions on the topic of indirect cost rate proposals. For guidance, please visit [Indirect Cost Negotiations | HHS.gov](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.hhs.gov%2Fabout%2Fagencies%2Fasa%2Fpsc%2Findirect-cost-negotiations%2Findex.html&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7Ccedc4cf0521a4aa6feb208dd8c9d0d23%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638821328336285286%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=d%2BwI2mAXpzsYMlr3TIHTvHxwuwW0ZyvG1Ry5hnj%2FOP0%3D&reserved=0). To submit an indirect cost rate proposal, the portal is available at [HHS ICAS Customer Portal](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fportal.icas.hhs.gov%2Fwelcome&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7Ccedc4cf0521a4aa6feb208dd8c9d0d23%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638821328336297029%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=tU%2BiuKIfQSvn79sofoG34myGfxxXpS7KaICG5exz9iE%3D&reserved=0). For contact information, please visit [Indirect Cost Negotiations Contact Us | HHS.gov](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.hhs.gov%2Fabout%2Fagencies%2Fasa%2Fpsc%2Findirect-cost-negotiations%2Fcontact-us%2Findex.html&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7Ccedc4cf0521a4aa6feb208dd8c9d0d23%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638821328336308898%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=7iKacj3IVjFcAZY%2Fg3cVJlyrqJBjzPcNiAgVwv3edM4%3D&reserved=0).
* ***IL Training and Technical Assistance Center:*** Welcome! On behalf of the IL Training & Technical Assistance Center, we are excited to connect with you and support your incredible work in advancing independent living in your community.

The IL T&TA Center, operated by the University of Montana’s Rural Institute for Inclusive Communities (RIIC) and funded by the Administration for Community Living (ACL), to provide expert information, support, and training tailored for Centers for Independent Living (CILs), Statewide Independent Living Councils (SILCs), and Designated State Entities (DSEs) across the country.

Whether you’re new to the IL Network or have been engaged for years, we’re here to help you succeed!

**What to Expect**

You’ll receive regular updates about upcoming training opportunities, helpful resources, and invitations to participate in learning communities and feedback loops. Our goal is to make sure you have the tools and support you need — when you need them.

**Stay Connected**

We encourage you to get connected through [the IL T & TA Center website](https://www.umt.edu/rural-institute/partnership/il-tta-center.php)  and sign up for updates and training.

**Submit Questions and Ask for Help**

Request Information: You can request training and technical assistance (expert help for your organization) by filling out this [the IL T & TA Center website](https://umt.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_daPZQalhlfFpDWC)  and letting us know how we can help you.

Call: You can call us at 406-243-5300, and someone will get back to you as soon as we can.

Email: You can email us directly at [ILTTACenter@mso.umt.edu](mailto:ILTTACenter@mso.umt.edu).

Also, we are calling all CIL leaders, managers, and board members!

Join us **Wednesday, May 28 at 3PM EST** for a virtual event, **“Learn and Share”:**   
**Built by Us: Strengthening Governance, Staffing, and Access at Your CIL.**

We'll explore how to:   
✅ Build a strong, disability-led board   
✅ Create inclusive staffing practices   
✅ Ensure full access to services, programs, and resources

Please connect with the IL T&TA Center for more information on how to register.

* ***ACL Fiscal Review Tool Available:*** We are excited to announce that the Office of Fiscal Operations fiscal review tool is available on ACL’s website for IL Programs. Please visit the page at [Fiscal Resources for IL Programs](https://acl.gov/programs/centers-independent-living/fiscal-information-il-programs).
* ***IL Network Contact Updates:*** As a reminder, if there are any contact information changes for CIL Executive Directors, SILC Executive Directors, SILC Chairs or DSE’s, please let your Program Officer know. To verify the current name and contact information for your Program Officer, please view the [OILP staff list](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Facl.gov%2Fprograms%2Fcommunity-living-programs%2Foffice-independent-living-programs-contact-list&data=05%7C01%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7Cbb9de1e85bc64e7d721408dbdee35cd6%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638348840333464084%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=LQcxic97v80MGqaN1bel6SS1MDOr6pmyqDC4jlXlqEM%3D&reserved=0) on ACL’s website. For guidance on changes in Executive Directors, please visit [Changes in CIL Executive Directors](https://acl.gov/programs/aging-and-disability-networks/centers-independent-living) under Frequently Asked Questions.

## ***Sharing Your Stories***

* We invite you to share your stories with the IL network. Sharing your stories is your opportunity to demonstrate the important work that you do on behalf of persons with disabilities!

### ***Resources***

* ***Innovation in Transportation:*** The National Aging and Disability Transportation Center is pleased to showcase several [innovative programs from the National Aging and Disability Transportation Center](file:///C:\Users\jennifer.martin\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.Outlook\0J7AWLXI\•%09https:\www.nadtc.org\resources-publications\resource\section-5310-profiles\), serving persons with disabilities and older adults.
* [**Accessible Autonomous Transportation in Rural Minnesota**](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fzoom.us%2Fmeeting%2F85084872926%3FampDeviceId%3Ded6ca80d-b081-4e7b-af9f-4de1b4e880a2%26ampSessionId%3D1747080531409%26ampDeviceId%3Ded6ca80d-b081-4e7b-af9f-4de1b4e880a2%26ampSessionId%3D1747080531409&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7C13b739536aa840b8d9ce08dd921640bc%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638827346462158355%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=7wy9GP9WPAcTO4VV%2FX2NTd8M%2FyZgm6%2FAqTXDSLzHGlc%3D&reserved=0) **Date: Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. ET**  
  Speakers: Heidi Corcoran, Plum Catalyst, and Myrna Peterson, ATRC Steering Committee  
  This session highlights the innovative work behind goMARTI (Minnesota’s Accessible Rural Transit Innovations), a first-of-its-kind project testing connected and autonomous vehicle technology in a rural setting with a winter climate. Centered in Grand Rapids, goMARTI is a community-driven project focused on providing safe, accessible, and sustainable mobility options through a thoughtfully designed service model.

Please share this newsletter with your staff so they can use these great resources. As always, please feel free to contact our office if you have questions.