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Dear Colleagues,

Below are recent updates from ACL.

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* **No-Cost Extensions (NCEs):** An NCE is an extension of your project's period of performance that allows you an additional 12 months to complete your approved project activities, using your existing grant funds. No additional federal funds are provided, and the original scope of work cannot be changed or expanded. NCEs are intended solely to complete unfinished work. As the federal fiscal year draws to a close (end of September), please remember that NCE requests must be submitted at least 30 days before your project’s end date (by 9/1). If you anticipate needing extra time, please notify your [Program Officer](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Facl.gov%2Fprograms%2Fcommunity-living-programs%2Foffice-independent-living-programs-contact-list&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7C8508054d88714a58f17a08ddd5210b96%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638901060083670418%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=2sazaYlxUg1Quk2xYTefTJXJZyV1e7NHyd1ub6JlS%2FY%3D&reserved=0). If you do not need an NCE, no action is needed. With an NCE approved, the 2-year performance period for the Part B or C grantee would extend the 2-year performance period to 3 years.

When submitting a request, please include:

* Your grant number.
* The amount of funds remaining.
* The reason for needing the extension.
* A plan for how the extra time will be used if approved.

Currently, the office is accepting NCE requests for:

* Part C CIL awards from FY 2023
* ILS Part B awards from Designated State Entity representatives for FY 2024
* ***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%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392514076%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=RX40mOnXApKB8yOoTkTQU1r8L1PhM7%2B6sD%2F87UCZ6xk%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%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392527108%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=jUJlwbmmfC8zs0n5YawmX0G5sQ6a%2B1W4ZmFoS1MNzQI%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%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392540542%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=6VJ5s6n93Vxrt7nHoUfSqui3Jc1g6%2BS1bd4goGZDw7s%3D&reserved=0).
* ***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://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Facl.gov%2Fprograms%2Fcenters-independent-living%2Ffiscal-information-il-programs&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392553696%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ThoxlgxCKi55NIztD0AGFSWXr3FxuVRkPBxOArxYMs8%3D&reserved=0).
* ***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%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392569504%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=B3P002VmQh9CRhKKNG73Ym184CPXEtcMYVd7z6neVAA%3D&reserved=0) on ACL’s website. For guidance on changes in Executive Directors, please visit [Changes in CIL Executive Directors](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Facl.gov%2Fprograms%2Faging-and-disability-networks%2Fcenters-independent-living&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392583528%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=rMhG99i5eccBRy6DFJigWNsdUENd9Um7SggEYA1Aeao%3D&reserved=0) under Frequently Asked Questions.

## ***Conferences, Trainings and Technical Assistance***

* ***IL Training and Technical Assistance Center:*** We are pleased to share some information on upcoming training opportunities from the IL Training and Technical Assistance Center occurring in August. Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the training and technical assistance center directly at 406-243-5300 or e-mail at ILTTACenter@mso.umt.edu.

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. 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://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Filttacenter.org%2F&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392597073%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=FwOMoTh3eO%2FwFZ55lkksWJqR2fyBEKpH6IfpdMLUp0Y%3D&reserved=0) and sign up for updates and training.
* **Check out Previous Trainings:** You can review the recordings and download the materials from [recent IL T & TA Center trainings](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Filttacenter.org%2Farchive&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392610514%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=cMAiDkuOohgnJifh%2BOqacWaX41aNJD39gE7weNegp3g%3D&reserved=0) on a diverse set of topics, including CIL Workplans Serving Youth, Nursing Home Transition, CIL Assurances, SILC Policies and Procedures, and so much more!
* **Submit Questions and Ask for Help:** You can request training and technical assistance (expert help for your organization) by filling out the [IL T & TA Center's request form](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fumt.co1.qualtrics.com%2Fjfe%2Fform%2FSV_daPZQalhlfFpDWC&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392624173%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=K9mVju0ycrahIb0ki2X2I%2FzX3f8G0S8l956hKbO6q1w%3D&reserved=0) and letting us know how we can help you.
* **Call or Email:** You can call us at 406-243-5300 or email us directly at ILTTACenter@mso.umt.edu.
* **Upcoming Training Opportunities:***(Click on the links below to register or learn more)*

**Learning Cohort - Good Governance: Fiscal Oversight for IL Leaders** –

This small-group training provides a hands-on learning experience, allowing participants to sharpen their expertise in fiscal management, compliance, and strategic financial decision-making. Participation in all three sessions isn’t required. You can register for the sessions you plan to attend and catch up on the ones that you missed.

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This small-group experience is hands-on, discussion-driven, and tailored for leaders seeking to strengthen fiscal management, compliance expertise, and strategic financial decision-making. Whether you're a seasoned IL professional or looking to refine your financial governance skills, this cohort provides practical tools and peer collaboration to build long-term financial health.  Participation in all three sessions isn’t required. You can register for the sessions you plan to attend and catch up on the ones that you missed.

[Best Practices for Indirect Cost Rates - July 29th 3 PM - 4:30 PM EST](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/psjULHB6S5SU3tmZyYoqoQ) (recording available)

[Best Practices for Procurement - August 5th 3 PM - 4:30 PM EST](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/0d4xXc1uRK2RC8Ohpuiv1g)  (recording available)

[Controls Over Federal Compliance - August 12th 3 PM - 4:30 PM EST](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/jRYG9lF7T-WhW7HPs_jSsg)  (recording available)

[**Learn & Share - Part 1: Data as a Driver – Telling the Story of IL Impact- August 13th 3 PM - 4 PM EST**](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/n4kUQkFDS9q0AZPzmHdlgA)

[**Ask Anything - Open Office Hour- August 14th 3 PM - 4 PM EST**](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fus06web.zoom.us%2Fmeeting%2Fregister%2FwqC3AEc_QDO6mAt7e5tZiQ&data=05%7C02%7CJose.Vega%40mso.umt.edu%7Cb25ca164929c4808f45c08dda79848b4%7C68407ce503da49ffaf0a724be0d37c9d%7C0%7C0%7C638850994703283657%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=sh66ppz6eoIHkdJtjKQc3owJ9yrlrfm8CjNR3AUr1OI%3D&reserved=0)

[**SILC Connection- SPIL Amendments- August 19th 3 PM - 4 PM EST**](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/5rOcPAkjQAaJm2438QQQSA)

* ***Thank you for joining us for the July 2025 OILP Town Hall:*** If you would like a copy of the recording or transcripts, please contact your [Program Officer](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Facl.gov%2Fprograms%2Fcommunity-living-programs%2Foffice-independent-living-programs-contact-list&data=05%7C02%7CJennifer.Martin%40acl.hhs.gov%7C70c49461c46143bdc17b08ddbf1765ba%7Cd58addea50534a808499ba4d944910df%7C0%7C0%7C638876829392811194%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=gDYcaYg65npSYGJJ2fmVlhWHhX%2FWJmHvYHPRz7V%2Bvmw%3D&reserved=0).
* ***NCIL 2025 Annual Conference:*** For links to the conference materials, please visit [NCIL 2025 Annual Conference](https://ncil.org/2025-conference/documents/).

### ***Resources***

* ***HHS Americans with Disabilities Act Anniversary Event:*** In celebration of the 35th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Civil Rights and the Administration for Community Living held an event.  As part of the event, remarks were given by Secretary Kennedy from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and Mary Lazare, Acting Administrator and Assistant Secretary for Aging. In addition, reflections were offered from individuals with disabilities on the impact of the ADA, including OILP Program Officer Hindley Williams. To view the recording, please visit [HHS 35th ADA Anniversary Event](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KHMQPnN0VYc).
* ***The Power of CILs:*** Please view this commercial on “[*The Power of CILs*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9S65wNgH9Mk)*”* from the Administration for Community Living.

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.