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#### **List of Abbreviations Used in This Report**

AFS – Adult Family Survey

CFS – Child Family Survey

FGS - Family/Guardian Survey

HSRI - Human Services Research Institute

NASDDDS – National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services

NCI - National Core Indicators

Note: The data set included in the initial version of this report did not reflect the complete set of surveys completed in 2013-14. This report was revised to update the California and National 'N' (totals), and has made slight changes to some of the averages reported for California.

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## **Executive Summary**

The National Core Indicators (NCI) are standard measures used across states to assess the outcomes of services provided to individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families. The Indicators cover key areas such as employment, respect/rights, service planning, community inclusion, choice, and health and safety. The data that result from NCI surveys are often used to inform strategic planning, produce legislative reports, and prioritize quality improvement initiatives. Many states also share the data with stakeholder groups such as Quality Councils and use the stakeholder feedback to help set priorities and establish policy direction.

The NCI Adult Family Survey is administered to families who have an adult (18 years or older) with a developmental disability who lives in the family home and receives at least one service other than case management. Not all states that participate in NCI administer the Adult Family Survey on an annual basis. Of the 39 states, the District of Columbia and 22 sub-state entities who participated in NCI during the 2013-2014 data collection cycle, 13 states and the District of Columbia submitted a valid sample of Adult Family Survey data. This Final Report provides a summary of results based on data submitted by June 30, 2014.

The following are NCI national averages for a selection of survey items. Complete breakouts by state for each item in the Adult Family Survey can be found in the Results section of this report.

#### Demographics and Characteristics of Family Members for Whom the Survey Was Completed

The average age of family members for whom the survey was completed was 35 years old, and the majority were male (57%). Across states, most family members were white (62%); one-quarter (25%) were black/African American; and 7% were Hispanic. In most households, the family member for whom the survey was completed was the only person with ID/DD (88%).

The primary means of communication for most was spoken language (72%), followed by gestures or body language (20%). Nearly all spoke English (92%) while 4% had a primary language of Spanish and 5% another language.

The vast majority required medical care less than once a month (78%) or at least once a month but less than once a week (16%); 5% required at least weekly medical care. Just over half did not require behavioral supports (56%), while 32% needed some behavioral support and 12% required extensive support. The reported amount of help needed with daily activities was: 21% none; 22% little; 28% moderate; and 29% complete.

#### **Demographics and Characteristics of Respondents to the Survey**

Two-thirds of respondents to the survey were 55 or older (55% fell in the range of 55 to 74 and 10% were 75 or older); 7% were under 35 years old and 27% were in the range of 35 to 54.

Nearly all respondents were the family member's primary caregiver (95%). Two-thirds of respondents had full or limited guardianship or conservatorship (60% full, 6% limited); 34% were not the individual's guardian or conservator.

More than two-thirds of respondents reported a total family income in the past year of less than \$50,001 (25% reported less than \$15,000, 19% reported between \$15,001 and \$25,000, and 25% reported between \$25,001 and \$50,000); 14% earned \$50,001-\$75,000 and the remaining 16% earned more than \$75,000 in the past year. The amounts that families reported paying out-of-pocket for their family member's care were: 23% nothing; 15% between \$1 and \$100; 36% between \$101 and \$1,000; 23% between \$1,001 and \$10,000; and 2% spent more than \$10,000.

#### **Services and Supports Received**

Families reported receiving the following state-provided services and supports: financial support (15%), in-home support (45%), out-of-home respite care (30%), day or employment supports (58%), and transportation (61%); 25% received supports that fell into the category of "other." A vast majority of families reported receiving social security benefits (91%).

#### **Information and Planning**

Across states, 35% of respondents say they always receive enough information to help plan services for their family, and 35% reported that the information they receive about services and supports is always easy to understand. More than two-thirds felt the case manager/service coordinator always respects the family's choices and opinions (68%). More than one-third reported that the case manager/service coordinator always tells them about public services for which their family is eligible (38%).

Of the 85% of respondents who reported that their family member has a service plan, most indicated that the plan includes all the services and supports the family member wants (84%) and that their family member received all services listed in the plan (88%). Most felt the service plan includes all the services and support their family member needs (78%). Three-quarters (75%) reported that they discussed how to handle emergencies related to their family member during the last planning meeting.

#### **Access and Delivery of Supports and Services**

More than half of respondents reported that they or their family member were always able to contact support workers (57%) and the case manager/service coordinator (54%) when needed. Forty-one percent (41%) reported that services and supports were always available when needed; 44% indicated that services and supports were always available reasonably close to home; and 41% felt that services and supports always changed when their family member's needs changed.

Among respondents whose family member transitioned from school services to state-funded services in the past year, about two-thirds (67%) were happy with the transition. Most indicated that crisis or emergency services were provided if requested in the past year (70%). The vast majority of respondents reported having access to health services (97%) and dental services (81%) for their family member; nearly all (98%) reported they can get needed medication for their family member. Most also reported having access to needed mental health services for their family member (87%). Just over three-quarters reported having access to respite services (78%). Across states, 44% of respondents reported that there were services needed that were not currently offered or available.

#### **Choice and Control**

Over half of all respondents reported that they always choose the provider agencies that work with their family (60%) while just over one-third reported that their family member always makes this choice (36%); two-thirds of respondents (66%) reported that they can always choose another provider agency if they want. Fewer than half of all respondents (45%) and less than one-third of family members (31%) always choose the individual support workers; 62% of respondents reported always being able to choose different support workers.

Slightly more than one-quarter of respondents (27%) reported knowing how much money is spent by the ID/DD agency on their family member's behalf while 13% reported that their family member had this knowledge. Of the 46% of respondents who reported they had a say in how ID/DD agency money is spent, 90% reported having all the information needed to decide how to spend the money. Similarly, of the 32% of respondents who reported that their family member has a say in how ID/DD agency money is spent on their behalf, 88% reported that their family member had all the information needed to make these decisions.

#### **Community Connections**

Most respondents reported that their family member participates in community activities (87%); among the remaining 13%, the reasons given for the lack of participation included lack of transportation (25%), cost (19%), lack of support staff (19%), negative attitudes from community members (10%), and "other" (56%). More than three-quarters of respondents (78%) reported that their family member has friends and relationships with people other than paid staff or family. Across states, most reported that their family member has enough support to work or volunteer in the community (63%).

#### Satisfaction with Services and Supports

Across states, 39% of respondents are always satisfied with the services and supports their family receives. More than half reported that they know the process for filing a complaint or grievance against provider agencies or staff (57%), and most are satisfied with the way complaints or grievances are handled (81%). More than three-quarters of respondents know how to report abuse or neglect (78%); of the 40% who reported abuse or neglect in the past year, 80% said that the appropriate people were responsive to the report.

#### **Family Outcomes**

Nearly all respondents say that services and supports have made a positive difference in their family's life (95%), and most say that services and supports have reduced their family's out-of-pocket expenses related to their family member's care (81%). Of the one-quarter of respondents (26%) who reported that their family or family member's services or supports were reduced, suspended, or terminated in the past year, three-quarters (75%) reported that this action had a negative impact on the family or family member.

## I. Results

This section provides state-by-state and national results for demographic and survey outcomes data.

## **Survey Development**

The Adult Family Survey was developed and first utilized in 1997-99 by a technical advisory group for the purpose of measuring the experiences of families who had an adult family member with a developmental disability living at home. Results and feedback from the first administration of the survey demonstrated that it was relatively straightforward to administer, yielded good response rates, and provided sound feedback to the participating state developmental disabilities agencies.

Many questions were drawn from survey instruments already in use in the field; others were developed specifically for NCI. NCI staff routinely refine the instrument based on feedback from families and state staff.

Most participating states use the basic survey tool developed by the project. However, some states opt to incorporate additional questions to look more deeply at specific issues. The addition of supplementary questions is typically done after a state participates in NCI for at least a year and establishes baseline results.

## **Organization of the Adult Family Survey**

The Adult Family Survey is composed of the three sections described below. There is also an opportunity for families to write open-ended comments concerning their family's participation in the service system.

#### **Demographics**

The survey instrument begins with a series of questions relating to characteristics of the family member with a developmental disability (e.g., age, race, type of disability) followed by a series of demographic questions pertaining to the survey respondent (e.g., age, health status, relationship to the individual with the developmental disability).

#### **Services and Supports Received**

A brief section of the survey asks the respondent to identify the services and supports that they and/or their family member with a developmental disability receive.

#### **Questions Regarding Services and Supports**

The survey contains six groupings of questions that probe specific areas of quality service provision: information and planning, access and delivery of services, choice and control, community connections, satisfaction, and outcomes.

Each question is constructed so the respondent selects from either five possible responses ("always," "usually," "sometimes," "seldom," or "never") or two responses ("yes" or "no"). Respondents also have the option to indicate that they don't know the answer to a question or that the question is not applicable.

#### **Presentation of Data**

Direct feedback from families is an important means for states to gauge service and support satisfaction and to pinpoint areas for quality improvement. All demographic and individual outcome results from the Adult Family Survey are presented in this report. Outcome results are presented in six subsections that correspond with the sections of the Adult Family Survey.

For each question, outcome results are first shown in a graph with the NCI Average (the average of all individual state percentages) and then in a table that shows a breakout of each state's percentage.

For all outcome data, tables are formatted so that all states are listed in descending order of percentage and are categorized as statistically significantly above the NCI Average, within the range of the NCI Average, and significantly below the NCI Average. Statistical significance is taken to be at or below the .01 level. For those states that fall within range of the NCI Average, their 'always' or 'yes' response was not statistically different from the NCI Average.

**Note on Significance:** Statistical significance depends on both the sample size of the state and the difference between the state's result and the national average. Consequently, there are instances where a state's result that is closer to the NCI Average is designated as significantly above or below the NCI Average than a state whose result is further from the NCI Average. Take the following example: State A has a larger valid sample for a particular indicator than State B. State A may show as being significantly different from the average even though State B, which has a larger difference from the average, does not. The larger the sample size of a state, the smaller the difference needs to be to qualify as statistically significant.

**Note on California significance:** Due to the large N¹, many of California's data show significant outcomes. For the purposes of this report, the California data are only shown as significant if those outcomes remain significant when controlled for the number of respondents. Where the CA average is denoted with two asterisks (\*\*), an outcome is significant *only* due to the sample size.

**Note:** All qualified Californians with a developmental disability have both a civil right and an individual entitlement to receive services from the California Department of Developmental Services. California law mandates that the intake process begin within 15 days of an individual's or family's request for services and that the Department of Developmental Services begin providing services within 120 days after intake. These statutory requirements make California's service system unique and could impact comparisons between its survey results and the results of other states.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 'N' refers to the number of valid responses.

## **Demographics**

#### Note:

"Respondent" refers to the person (usually a parent or guardian) filling out the survey.

"Family Member" refers to the person receiving services who the respondent is answering questions about in this survey.

## **Family Member**

This section provides demographic information about the family member receiving services.

Table 1. Family Member's Age

State	Age	N
AZ	32.4	370
CA	31.7	3,808
DC	36.7	239
FL	36.0	413
GA	35.3	406
LA	35.4	346
MD	32.7	365
NC	32.9	228
NH	34.1	381
OK	33.6	387
PA	36.9	403
SC	37.1	257
VA	36.6	147
WA	31.5	337
NCI Average	34.5	8,087

Table 2. Family Member's Gender

State	Male	Female	N
AZ	53%	47%	371
CA	61%	39%	3,843
DC	61%	39%	245
FL	61%	39%	407
GA	60%	40%	404
LA	54%	46%	346
MD	58%	42%	365
NC	58%	42%	230
NH	60%	40%	378
OK	54%	46%	388
PA	56%	44%	400
SC	60%	40%	255
VA	50%	50%	151
WA	55%	45%	327
NCI Average	57%	43%	8,110

Table 3. Family Member's Race<sup>2</sup>

State	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African- American	Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	White	Other or Unknown	Two or More Races	Hispanic or Latino
AZ	6%	2%	6%	0%	65%	3%	7%	22%
CA	2%	12%	9%	1%	42%	1%	8%	34%
DC	0%	1%	92%	0%	4%	0%	2%	4%
FL	2%	1%	18%	0%	59%	1%	3%	18%
GA	1%	2%	48%	0%	47%	0%	2%	1%
LA	1%	1%	33%	0%	65%	0%	1%	0%
MD	1%	5%	28%	0%	65%	0%	3%	2%
NC	3%	1%	26%	0%	70%	0%	0%	1%
NH	2%	1%	1%	0%	94%	1%	3%	1%
OK	13%	2%	10%	0%	80%	0%	4%	3%
PA	0%	1%	6%	0%	86%	0%	3%	3%
SC	2%	1%	43%	0%	53%	0%	2%	1%
VA	1%	3%	24%	0%	70%	0%	1%	1%
WA	2%	7%	4%	1%	73%	1%	7%	8%
NCI Average	3%	3%	25%	0%	62%	1%	3%	7%

Table 4. More Than One Person Living in the Home Has ID/DD

State	Yes	No	N
AZ	12%	88%	365
CA	14%	86%	3,803
DC	14%	86%	240
FL	13%	87%	403
GA	13%	88%	400
LA	13%	87%	345
MD	9%	91%	356
NC	11%	89%	227
NH	11%	89%	374
OK	8%	92%	381
PA	12%	88%	396
SC	12%	88%	260
VA	9%	91%	148
WA	15%	85%	326
NCI Average	12%	88%	8,024

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Multiple responses allowed. Therefore, state and national percentages may total more than 100%.

Table 5. Family Member's Primary Means of Expression

State	Spoken	Gestures or Body Language	Sign Language or Finger Spelling	Communication Aid or Device	Other	N
AZ	67%	24%	3%	4%	3%	357
CA	75%	15%	3%	2%	5%	3,814
DC	70%	21%	2%	1%	6%	222
FL	69%	22%	3%	2%	4%	412
GA	77%	15%	1%	1%	5%	403
LA	74%	17%	0%	1%	6%	345
MD	80%	15%	2%	2%	2%	362
NC	67%	25%	0%	2%	5%	226
NH	82%	12%	3%	2%	2%	379
OK	70%	25%	1%	1%	2%	386
PA	74%	19%	2%	1%	3%	382
SC	67%	22%	3%	0%	7%	258
VA	65%	30%	1%	1%	3%	144
WA	73%	20%	2%	2%	3%	328
NCI Average	72%	20%	2%	2%	4%	8,018

**Table 6. Family Member's Primary Language** 

State	English	Spanish	Other	N
AZ	81%	13%	6%	362
CA	73%	15%	12%	3,845
DC	96%	1%	3%	242
FL	86%	10%	4%	414
GA	98%	0%	2%	397
LA	95%	0%	5%	353
MD	98%	0%	2%	367
NC	98%	0%	2%	227
NH	97%	1%	2%	378
OK	96%	1%	3%	385
PA	94%	3%	3%	398
SC	92%	1%	7%	259
VA	94%	1%	5%	151
WA	88%	5%	8%	329
NCI Average	92%	4%	5%	7,623

Table 7. Family Member's Highest level of Education

State	No High School Diploma or GED	High School Diploma or GED	Vocational School	Some College	College Degree	N
AZ	39%	53%	4%	3%	1%	339
CA	49%	40%	4%	7%	1%	3,558
DC	59%	35%	6%	0%	0%	222
FL	49%	46%	3%	1%	1%	384
GA	41%	57%	1%	0%	0%	383
LA	65%	30%	2%	1%	2%	345
MD	55%	38%	3%	4%	1%	352
NC	60%	27%	10%	4%	0%	220
NH	40%	55%	2%	2%	1%	363
OK	23%	74%	2%	1%	0%	376
PA	39%	56%	4%	0%	0%	369
SC	62%	32%	4%	2%	0%	250
VA	51%	41%	4%	2%	1%	138
WA	34%	62%	2%	2%	0%	324
NCI Average	48%	46%	4%	2%	1%	7,623

Table 5. Frequency of Medical Care Needed for Family Member

State	Less Frequently Than Once a Month	At Least Once a Month, Not Once a Week	At Least Once a Week	N
AZ	82%	14%	4%	346
CA	78%	16%	5%	3,600
DC	73%	20%	7%	227
FL	73%	22%	6%	400
GA	78%	19%	4%	390
LA	70%	21%	9%	344
MD	80%	18%	2%	347
NC	79%	16%	5%	223
NH	87%	9%	4%	372
OK	80%	15%	5%	384
PA	84%	11%	4%	378
SC	74%	18%	8%	254
VA	79%	14%	7%	140
WA	78%	17%	5%	315
NCI Average	78%	16%	5%	7,720

Table 6. Amount of Behavioral Support Needed for Family Member

State	None	Some	Extensive	N
AZ	60%	28%	12%	361
CA	54%	32%	15%	3,761
DC	59%	29%	13%	239
FL	54%	33%	13%	406
GA	59%	32%	9%	404
LA	52%	32%	15%	349
MD	70%	23%	7%	366
NC	46%	42%	13%	228
NH	67%	25%	8%	375
OK	64%	28%	8%	384
PA	65%	24%	10%	396
SC	57%	34%	8%	261
VA	49%	38%	13%	142
WA	34%	45%	21%	329
NCI Average	56%	32%	12%	8,001

Table 7. Amount of Help Needed for Family Member's Daily Activities

State	None	Little	Moderate	Complete	N
AZ	10%	26%	34%	30%	368
CA	24%	22%	28%	26%	3,898
DC	34%	21%	23%	22%	248
FL	21%	20%	24%	35%	417
GA	27%	22%	24%	27%	410
LA	16%	17%	31%	36%	354
MD	41%	23%	20%	17%	367
NC	11%	20%	33%	35%	231
NH	33%	28%	21%	18%	384
OK	16%	26%	28%	30%	389
PA	24%	24%	27%	25%	402
SC	21%	23%	22%	34%	266
VA	9%	18%	36%	37%	152
WA	7%	18%	39%	35%	332
NCI Average	21%	22%	28%	29%	8,218

Table 8. Family Member's Typical Day Activities<sup>3</sup>

State	Out of Home Day Program (Family Member Is Unpaid)	Out of Home Day Program (Family Member Is Paid)	Vocational Training	Community Employment (Family Member Is Unpaid)	Community Employment (Family Member Is Paid)	In-home Day Supports	At Home (by Choice)	At Home (No Services)	At Home (Other)	Other
AZ	51%	14%	9%	2%	7%	13%	15%	4%	9%	14%
CA	40%	15%	9%	5%	9%	13%	13%	9%	8%	16%
DC	66%	8%	6%	5%	6%	19%	5%	5%	7%	8%
FL	31%	12%	4%	4%	5%	18%	12%	6%	8%	14%
GA	48%	16%	5%	5%	7%	20%	8%	5%	5%	12%
LA	22%	16%	5%	4%	9%	34%	14%	4%	9%	15%
MD	35%	24%	7%	12%	24%	7%	8%	6%	3%	10%
NC	30%	12%	9%	8%	9%	40%	15%	4%	11%	19%
NH	44%	15%	5%	16%	26%	17%	12%	9%	7%	14%
OK	13%	16%	9%	5%	15%	32%	26%	7%	10%	13%
PA	35%	20%	11%	3%	14%	12%	11%	10%	7%	10%
SC	39%	26%	4%	3%	9%	11%	12%	8%	11%	9%
VA	44%	12%	6%	3%	8%	19%	13%	7%	11%	13%
WA	15%	6%	9%	13%	21%	24%	31%	19%	18%	16%
NCI Average	37%	15%	7%	6%	12%	20%	14%	7%	9%	13%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Multiple responses allowed. Therefore, state and national percentages may total more than 100%.

## Respondents

This section provides demographic information about respondents to the survey.

Table 9. Respondent's Age

State	Under 35	35-54	55-74	75 or Older	N
AZ	10%	32%	49%	9%	369
CA	16%	29%	47%	8%	3,840
DC	9%	23%	54%	14%	242
FL	8%	27%	52%	14%	410
GA	6%	29%	56%	9%	405
LA	11%	28%	52%	10%	350
MD	3%	26%	63%	8%	366
NC	4%	36%	52%	7%	229
NH	4%	28%	57%	12%	378
OK	7%	24%	60%	9%	388
PA	3%	24%	58%	16%	404
SC	11%	24%	56%	10%	262
VA	4%	23%	63%	11%	152
WA	10%	25%	58%	7%	324
NCI Average	7%	27%	55%	10%	8,119

Table 10. Respondent's Health

State	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	N
AZ	23%	51%	24%	2%	365
CA	17%	51%	28%	4%	3,828
DC	15%	56%	25%	4%	243
FL	9%	50%	30%	11%	398
GA	9%	54%	32%	6%	406
LA	12%	49%	31%	8%	343
MD	17%	60%	21%	2%	368
NC	14%	55%	24%	7%	228
NH	20%	63%	15%	2%	376
OK	17%	56%	24%	2%	383
PA	15%	53%	28%	3%	402
SC	13%	50%	32%	5%	262
VA	14%	53%	26%	7%	152
WA	16%	55%	26%	3%	334
NCI Average	15%	54%	26%	5%	8,088

**Table 11. Respondent Is Primary Caregiver** 

State	Yes	No	N
AZ	96%	4%	370
CA	93%	7%	3,831
DC	92%	8%	241
FL	95%	5%	402
GA	96%	4%	408
LA	91%	9%	341
MD	94%	6%	368
NC	94%	6%	229
NH	96%	4%	378
OK	98%	2%	383
PA	94%	6%	402
SC	96%	4%	258
VA	94%	6%	151
WA	95%	5%	336
NCI Average	95%	5%	8,098

Table 12. Number of Adults in Household (Not Including Family Member Receiving Services)

State	One	Two	Three	Four or More	N
AZ	30%	47%	16%	7%	365
CA	25%	43%	20%	11%	3,803
DC	44%	36%	16%	4%	237
FL	33%	47%	14%	5%	403
GA	33%	44%	16%	7%	404
LA	34%	50%	12%	5%	341
MD	23%	50%	21%	6%	361
NC	30%	55%	12%	3%	226
NH	31%	49%	15%	5%	374
OK	35%	51%	10%	4%	385
PA	30%	48%	17%	4%	405
SC	33%	51%	13%	3%	258
VA	35%	53%	8%	3%	150
WA	23%	51%	18%	8%	331
NCI Average	31%	48%	15%	5%	8,043

Table 13. Respondent Is Family Member's Legal Guardian or Conservator

State	Full Guardianship/ Conservatorship	Limited Guardianship/ Conservatorship	No	N
AZ	65%	4%	31%	364
CA	50%	11%	40%	3,725
DC	60%	7%	33%	239
FL	50%	9%	41%	393
GA	51%	5%	44%	396
LA	66%	4%	31%	333
MD	42%	5%	53%	351
NC	68%	9%	23%	230
NH	76%	5%	19%	374
OK	72%	5%	24%	384
PA	56%	4%	40%	387
SC	61%	4%	34%	251
VA	66%	1%	33%	145
WA	65%	6%	29%	334
NCI Average	60%	6%	34%	7,906

Table 14. Respondent's Highest Level of Education

State	No High School Diploma or GED	High School Diploma or GED	Vocational School	Some College	College Degree	N
AZ	15%	22%	5%	26%	33%	356
CA	18%	21%	6%	24%	31%	3,713
DC	17%	34%	5%	20%	23%	232
FL	13%	32%	7%	23%	24%	405
GA	14%	34%	5%	20%	26%	402
LA	15%	36%	8%	18%	23%	344
MD	5%	24%	3%	22%	46%	365
NC	11%	24%	4%	20%	41%	227
NH	5%	31%	4%	23%	38%	377
OK	8%	30%	6%	25%	31%	385
PA	10%	38%	5%	19%	29%	389
SC	17%	30%	3%	23%	28%	263
VA	18%	34%	5%	21%	22%	151
WA	10%	27%	5%	26%	31%	336
NCI Average	13%	30%	5%	22%	30%	7,945

Table 15. Total Taxable Family Income of Wage Earners in the Past Year

State	Below \$15,000	\$15,001- \$25,000	\$25,001- \$50,000	\$50,001- \$75,000	Over \$75,000	N
AZ	27%	19%	23%	16%	15%	329
CA	23%	21%	26%	13%	17%	3,370
DC	33%	18%	24%	13%	12%	208
FL	37%	20%	25%	8%	10%	350
GA	31%	22%	20%	14%	13%	374
LA	36%	20%	19%	11%	14%	313
MD	11%	16%	20%	18%	35%	305
NC	18%	23%	28%	15%	17%	204
NH	16%	19%	28%	17%	20%	315
OK	22%	18%	28%	16%	16%	347
PA	24%	17%	29%	12%	17%	303
SC	32%	27%	21%	12%	7%	229
VA	29%	14%	23%	19%	15%	130
WA	13%	13%	37%	19%	17%	306
NCI Average	25%	19%	25%	14%	16%	7,083

Table 19. Out-of-Pocket Expenses for Family in the Past Year

State	Nothing	\$1- \$100	\$101- \$1,000	\$1,001- \$10,000	Over \$10,000	N
AZ	23%	15%	41%	19%	2%	352
CA	25%	13%	32%	26%	4%	3,559
DC	37%	16%	30%	17%	0%	221
FL	24%	13%	36%	24%	3%	387
GA	22%	14%	39%	22%	3%	391
LA	24%	11%	39%	23%	3%	333
MD	19%	13%	38%	25%	4%	335
NC	16%	14%	38%	31%	1%	216
NH	22%	12%	40%	25%	2%	360
OK	20%	14%	41%	24%	2%	368
PA	21%	20%	36%	21%	2%	360
SC	20%	33%	27%	18%	1%	249
VA	24%	15%	34%	24%	4%	140
WA	28%	8%	37%	23%	4%	320
NCI Average	23%	15%	36%	23%	2%	7,591

## **Services and Supports Received**

This section provides information about the services and supports received by the family from the state ID/DD agency (social security benefits being the exception).

Table 16. Services and Supports Received From ID/DD Agency

State	Financial Support	In-Home Support	Out-of-Home Respite Care	Day or Employment Supports	Transportation	Other	Social Security Benefits
AZ	9%	54%	52%	66%	65%	32%	94%
CA	10%	35%	22%	58%	58%	18%	84%
DC	11%	57%	35%	73%	87%	48%	95%
FL	12%	51%	28%	46%	52%	26%	92%
GA	12%	33%	21%	66%	68%	18%	93%
LA	10%	68%	24%	38%	53%	16%	91%
MD	8%	18%	18%	78%	73%	19%	84%
NC	10%	64%	45%	48%	47%	27%	93%
NH	37%	32%	42%	67%	69%	25%	93%
OK	19%	56%	16%	41%	44%	28%	92%
PA	17%	33%	32%	64%	64%	24%	91%
SC	11%	37%	19%	63%	68%	16%	90%
VA	15%	55%	36%	59%	59%	28%	90%
WA	26%	36%	27%	43%	45%	20%	91%
NCI Average	15%	45%	30%	58%	61%	25%	91%

## **Adult Family Survey Results**

## **Information and Planning**

Families and family members with disabilities have the information and support necessary to plan their services and supports.

**Note:** State outcomes with fewer than 20 responses were not reported.

**Note on California significance:** Due to the large N, many of California's data show significant outcomes. For the purposes of this report, the California data are only shown as significant if those outcomes remain significant when controlled for the number of respondents. Where the CA average is denoted with two asterisks (\*\*), an outcome is significant *only* due to the sample size.



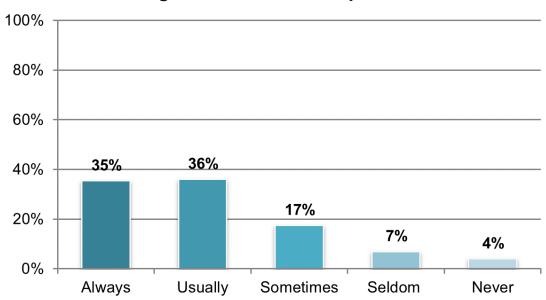


Table Q1. Do you get enough information to help you participate in planning services for your family?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
LA	45%	31%	15%	8%	1%	331	
Within Average	Range						
NH	42%	40%	14%	2%	2%	370	
NC	40%	36%	14%	4%	5%	215	
AZ	40%	38%	15%	5%	2%	346	
SC	39%	28%	17%	9%	7%	238	
VA	39%	37%	17%	6%	2%	142	
FL	38%	36%	16%	5%	5%	395	
OK	37%	43%	13%	4%	3%	369	
DC	34%	32%	21%	7%	6%	228	
PA	33%	40%	16%	8%	2%	374	
CA **	33%	30%	19%	10%	8%	3,452	
Significantly Be	Significantly Below Average						
WA	27%	41%	22%	8%	2%	299	
MD	25%	36%	22%	13%	5%	346	
GA	24%	36%	22%	9%	8%	372	
NCI Average	35%	36%	17%	7%	4%	7,477	

#### Information About Services and Supports Is Easy to Understand

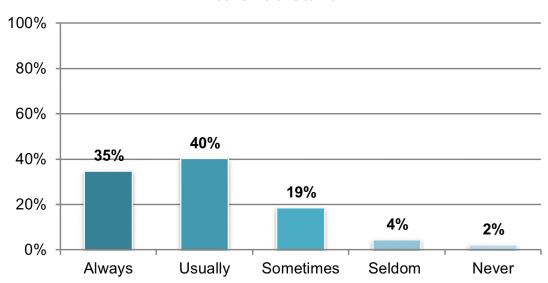


Table Q2. Is the information you receive easy to understand?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
LA	43%	36%	17%	3%	2%	327	
NH	42%	43%	13%	1%	0%	374	
Within Average	Range						
SC	42%	36%	16%	3%	3%	240	
DC	41%	33%	21%	3%	2%	229	
CA **	39%	37%	17%	4%	3%	3,435	
AZ	38%	41%	17%	3%	1%	352	
FL	35%	38%	18%	6%	3%	399	
OK	34%	45%	18%	2%	1%	368	
VA	31%	43%	20%	6%	1%	143	
PA	31%	43%	18%	5%	2%	363	
NC	30%	43%	20%	5%	1%	212	
GA	29%	37%	21%	7%	6%	364	
Significantly Be	Significantly Below Average						
MD	27%	46%	18%	6%	3%	338	
WA	25%	43%	26%	5%	1%	304	
NCI Average	35%	40%	19%	4%	2%	7, 448	

## **Information About Services and Supports Comes** From Case Manager/Service Coordinator

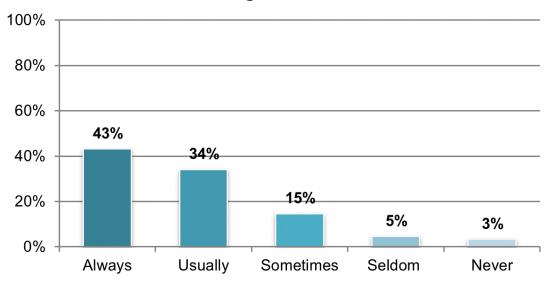


Table Q3. Does the information you receive come from your case manager/service coordinator?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
FL	53%	30%	12%	4%	1%	399	
SC	53%	26%	16%	3%	3%	239	
AZ	52%	29%	12%	4%	3%	352	
LA	52%	31%	12%	3%	3%	320	
Within Average	Range						
VA	47%	36%	12%	3%	3%	144	
NH	46%	37%	12%	4%	1%	368	
CA	45%	29%	15%	6%	6%	3,428	
PA	42%	38%	14%	4%	1%	360	
DC	40%	31%	19%	6%	5%	227	
OK	40%	42%	14%	4%	1%	361	
NC	38%	37%	17%	2%	4%	203	
Significantly Be	Significantly Below Average						
MD	36%	36%	17%	7%	4%	343	
WA	34%	40%	15%	9%	2%	317	
GA	28%	35%	20%	7%	9%	357	
NCI Average	43%	34%	15%	5%	3%	7,418	

### **Case Manager/Service Coordinator Respects** Family's Choices and Opinions

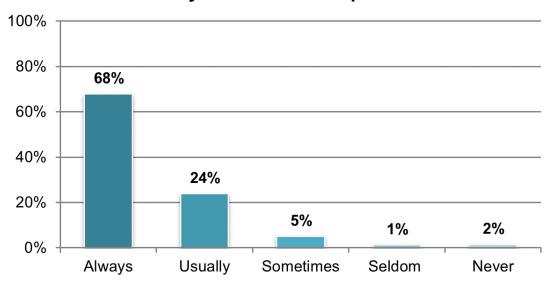


Table Q4. Does the case manager/service coordinator respect your family's choices and opinions?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
FL	79%	15%	3%	1%	1%	405	
AZ	77%	19%	3%	1%	1%	359	
Within Average	Range						
NH	74%	21%	4%	1%	1%	368	
LA	73%	20%	4%	2%	1%	327	
SC	71%	22%	4%	1%	2%	241	
WA	70%	22%	6%	1%	1%	306	
PA	69%	25%	4%	2%	1%	375	
CA	66%	23%	7%	2%	2%	3,483	
NC	66%	25%	6%	1%	2%	203	
OK	64%	28%	6%	1%	1%	372	
DC	63%	25%	7%	3%	2%	227	
VA	62%	32%	3%	1%	2%	144	
Significantly Below Average							
MD	60%	30%	7%	1%	1%	336	
GA	59%	29%	8%	2%	3%	358	
NCI Average	68%	24%	5%	1%	2%	7,504	

#### **Case Manager/Service Coordinator Tells Family About Other Eligible Public Services**

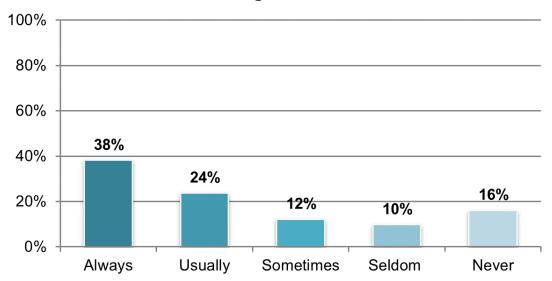


Table Q5. Does the case manager/service coordinator tell you about other public services that your family is eligible for (food stamps, Supplemental Security Income [SSI], housing subsidies, etc.)?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
FL	48%	24%	9%	7%	11%	387	
Within Average	Range						
LA	44%	24%	11%	8%	13%	306	
WA	42%	28%	13%	9%	8%	301	
PA	41%	26%	13%	9%	11%	350	
NH	40%	27%	11%	9%	13%	313	
AZ	40%	20%	14%	10%	16%	326	
DC	39%	20%	10%	6%	24%	221	
SC	39%	20%	13%	8%	20%	232	
CA	38%	20%	14%	10%	19%	3,370	
VA	36%	28%	12%	11%	13%	135	
OK	34%	30%	14%	13%	9%	348	
NC	34%	19%	11%	15%	22%	194	
Significantly Below Average							
GA	31%	20%	12%	9%	28%	327	
MD	28%	26%	14%	12%	20%	329	
NCI Average	38%	24%	12%	10%	16%	7,139	



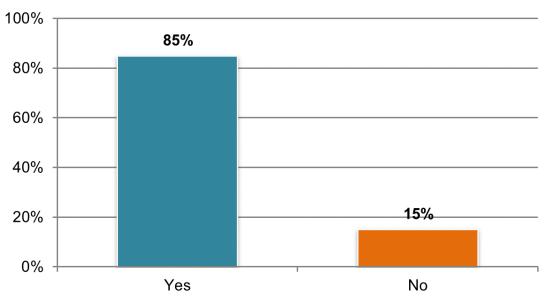


Table Q6. Does your family member have a service plan?

State	Yes	No	N			
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average					
FL	94%	6%	384			
NH	94%	6%	343			
MD	91%	9%	334			
OK	91%	9%	343			
PA	89%	11%	368			
Within Average	Range					
AZ	88%	12%	313			
NC	88%	12%	199			
VA	87%	13%	123			
LA	86%	14%	295			
WA	84%	16%	247			
Significantly B	elow Average					
DC	77%	23%	194			
SC	75%	25%	220			
GA	73%	27%	340			
CA	72%	28%	3,104			
NCI Average	85%	15%	6,807			

## Service Plan Includes All the Services and **Supports Family Member Wants**

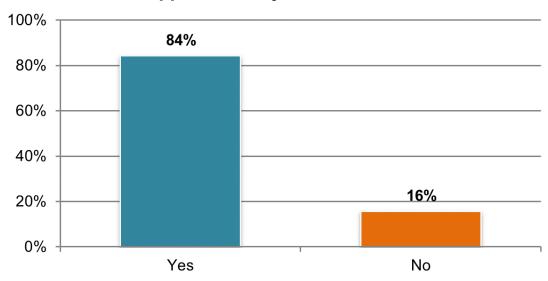


Table Q7. Does the plan include all the services and supports your family member wants?

State	Yes	No	N			
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average					
DC	91%	9%	125			
AZ	91%	9%	253			
Within Average	Range					
LA	88%	12%	233			
NH	88%	12%	298			
PA	88%	13%	288			
VA	87%	13%	95			
OK	86%	14%	282			
CA	83%	17%	1,929			
FL	81%	19%	334			
NC	81%	19%	156			
SC	81%	19%	145			
MD	80%	20%	254			
GA	77%	23%	223			
Significantly Below Average						
WA	76%	24%	188			
NCI Average	84%	16%	4,803			

#### Family Member Receives All Services Listed in the Service Plan

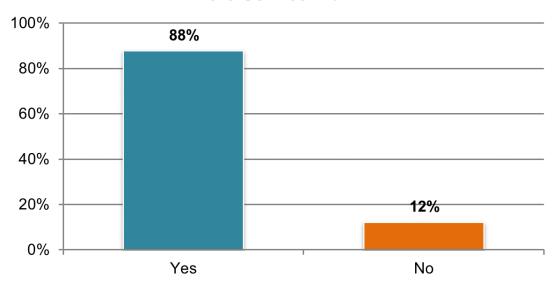


Table Q8. Does your family member receive all of the services listed in the plan?

State	Yes	No	N
Within Average	Range		
VA	93%	7%	92
NH	91%	9%	302
OK	91%	9%	291
LA	90%	10%	236
AZ	90%	10%	260
SC	89%	11%	138
PA	88%	12%	279
FL	88%	12%	322
CA	87%	13%	1,881
NC	87%	13%	168
MD	86%	14%	258
GA	85%	15%	212
WA	84%	16%	179
DC	80%	20%	127
NCI Average	88%	12%	4,745

## Family Member Helped Develop Service Plan

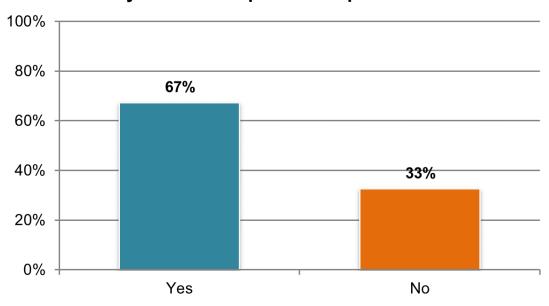


Table Q9. Did your family member help develop the plan?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
MD	80%	20%	282
NH	74%	26%	307
LA	73%	27%	240
CA	73%	28%	1,993
Within Average	Range		
GA	73%	27%	225
FL	70%	30%	324
VA	70%	30%	96
DC	67%	33%	132
NC	65%	35%	167
PA	62%	38%	292
SC	62%	38%	146
OK	60%	40%	283
AZ	60%	40%	250
Significantly Be	elow Average		
WA	53%	47%	195
NCI Average	67%	33%	4,937

## Respondent or Another Family Member Helped Develop Service Plan

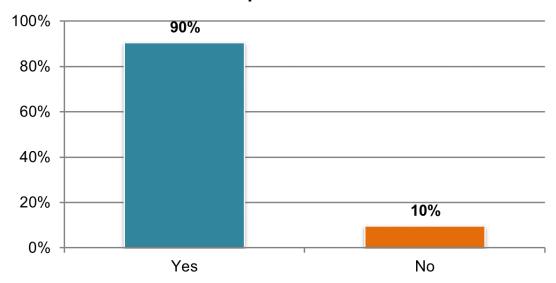


Table Q10. Did you or another family member help develop the plan?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly A	bove Average		
OK	96%	4%	301
AZ	96%	4%	265
NC	95%	5%	176
NH	95%	5%	312
Within Average	Range		
VA	92%	8%	98
PA	91%	9%	297
WA	91%	9%	190
LA	89%	11%	245
MD	88%	12%	280
GA	88%	12%	240
SC	87%	13%	155
CA **	87%	13%	2,035
FL	86%	14%	337
DC	86%	14%	136
NCI Average	90%	10%	5,067

## Service Plan Includes All the Services and **Supports Family Member Needs**

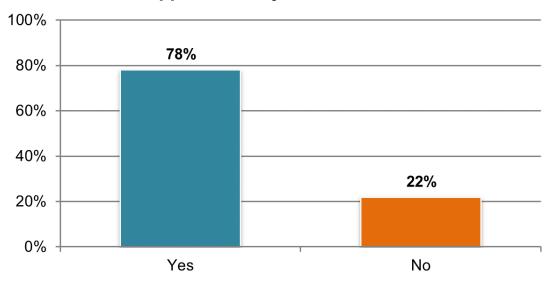


Table Q11. Does the plan include all the services and supports your family member needs?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
LA	84%	16%	238
Within Average	Range		
AZ	84%	16%	245
DC	83%	17%	128
OK	83%	17%	281
NH	82%	18%	301
PA	82%	18%	278
VA	81%	19%	94
CA	78%	22%	1,873
SC	78%	22%	139
NC	76%	24%	161
FL	75%	25%	204
MD	73%	27%	250
GA	70%	30%	202
Significantly Bo	elow Average		
WA	66%	34%	176
NCI Average	78%	22%	4,570

#### **Respondent Discussed How to Handle Emergencies Related to Family Member at the Last Service Planning Meeting**

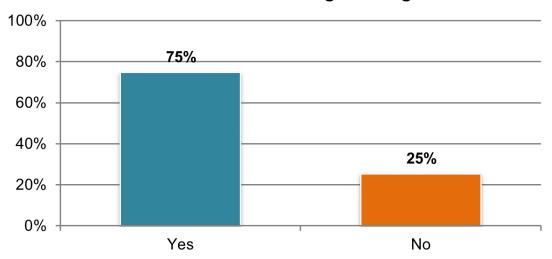


Table Q12. Did you discuss how to handle emergencies related to your family member at the last service planning meeting?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
LA	92%	8%	247
OK	86%	14%	283
NC	85%	15%	163
WA	82%	18%	184
Within Average	Range		
SC	82%	18%	144
AZ	77%	23%	249
FL	76%	24%	207
MD	72%	28%	267
DC	72%	28%	130
PA	70%	30%	274
VA	63%	37%	87
Significantly Bo	elow Average		
NH	64%	36%	276
GA	63%	37%	202
CA	63%	37%	1,910
NCI Average	75%	25%	4,623

## **Respondent or Family Member Received** Information on Family Member's Rights

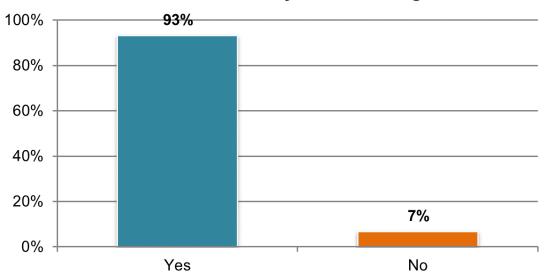


Table Q13. Have you or your family member received information about his/her rights?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
NH	99%	1%	353
OK	98%	2%	358
FL	96%	4%	372
Within Average	Range		
VA	97%	3%	127
NC	95%	5%	208
AZ	95%	5%	328
WA	95%	5%	264
LA	94%	6%	306
PA	94%	6%	336
MD	89%	11%	303
SC	88%	12%	226
DC	87%	13%	214
Significantly Bo	elow Average		
CA	88%	12%	3,159
GA	88%	12%	343
NCI Average	93%	7%	6,897

## **Access and Delivery of Services and Supports**



**Note:** State outcomes with fewer than 20 responses were not reported.

**Note on California significance:** Due to the large N, many of California's data show significant outcomes. For the purposes of this report, the California data are only shown as significant if those outcomes remain significant when controlled for the number of respondents. Where the CA average is denoted with two asterisks (\*\*), an outcome is significant *only* due to the sample size.

#### **Respondent or Family Member Is Able to Contact Support Workers When Needed**

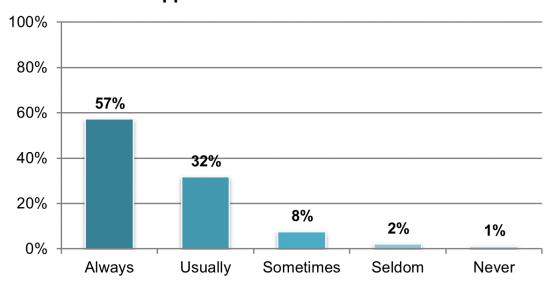


Table Q14. Are you or your family member able to contact his/her support workers when you need to?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N			
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average								
FL	72%	18%	6%	2%	1%	408			
LA	69%	27%	3%	2%	1%	331			
Within Average	Range								
PA	63%	31%	3%	2%	1%	374			
NH	61%	32%	5%	1%	0%	367			
VA	59%	31%	8%	1%	1%	145			
NC	57%	34%	6%	1%	1%	212			
AZ	56%	32%	6%	4%	1%	357			
DC	56%	27%	12%	3%	3%	233			
GA	55%	32%	10%	1%	2%	373			
SC	54%	31%	10%	3%	2%	238			
OK	53%	38%	6%	2%	0%	372			
CA **	52%	30%	12%	4%	2%	3,602			
MD	51%	35%	10%	4%	1%	352			
Significantly Bo	elow Average								
WA	44%	45%	10%	0%	1%	295			
NCI Average	57%	32%	8%	2%	1%	7,659			

#### **Respondent or Family Member Is Able to Contact Case Manager/Service Coordinator When** Needed

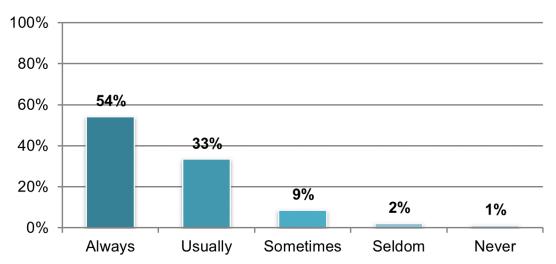


Table Q15. Are you or your family member able to contact his/her case manager/service coordinator when you need to?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N			
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average								
FL	67%	22%	8%	2%	1%	410			
LA	63%	30%	5%	1%	1%	335			
Within Average	Range								
NH	61%	31%	6%	1%	1%	365			
PA	59%	33%	5%	1%	1%	384			
AZ	56%	33%	8%	2%	1%	365			
NC	54%	35%	8%	2%	1%	211			
VA	53%	36%	7%	2%	1%	150			
DC	53%	29%	13%	3%	3%	237			
SC	53%	36%	8%	2%	1%	249			
CA **	50%	32%	12%	4%	2%	3,669			
OK	50%	37%	11%	2%	0%	380			
GA	49%	34%	11%	3%	3%	382			
Significantly Bo	elow Average								
MD	47%	39%	8%	4%	2%	355			
WA	46%	42%	11%	2%	0%	324			
NCI Average	54%	33%	9%	2%	1%	7,816			

## Services and Supports Are Available When **Family Member Needs Them**

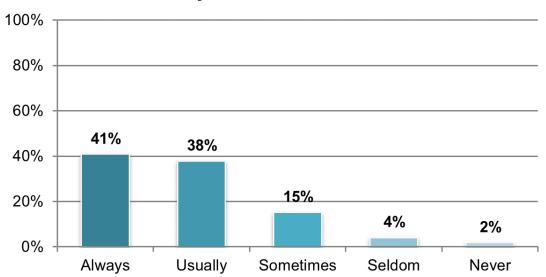


Table Q16. Are services and supports available when your family member needs them?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N			
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average								
LA	54%	34%	9%	2%	2%	322			
NH	50%	39%	9%	1%	1%	356			
Within Average	Range								
FL	47%	31%	15%	5%	2%	387			
AZ	44%	42%	11%	2%	1%	351			
DC	42%	35%	18%	4%	2%	228			
NC	41%	40%	14%	4%	2%	204			
SC	41%	35%	17%	5%	3%	236			
CA	39%	33%	18%	6%	3%	3,412			
PA	39%	42%	12%	4%	2%	358			
OK	39%	40%	15%	5%	1%	360			
VA	38%	38%	16%	6%	2%	143			
GA	36%	37%	20%	4%	3%	359			
Significantly Be	elow Average								
MD	31%	42%	19%	6%	2%	327			
WA	31%	43%	20%	4%	2%	294			
NCI Average	41%	38%	15%	4%	2%	7,337			

#### Services and Supports Are Available Reasonably **Close to Home**

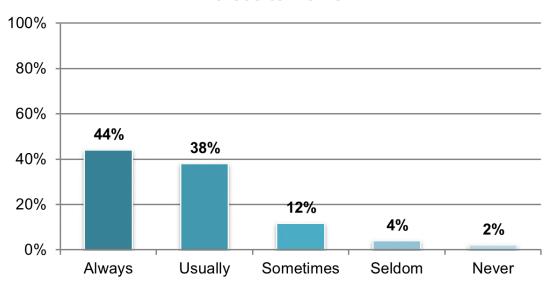


Table Q17. Are services and supports available within a reasonable distance from your home?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N			
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average								
NH	58%	33%	7%	1%	1%	348			
LA	53%	35%	8%	2%	1%	305			
Within Average	Range								
AZ	48%	38%	9%	4%	2%	328			
NC	47%	36%	12%	4%	2%	195			
FL	46%	34%	13%	4%	2%	364			
VA	44%	41%	7%	5%	2%	138			
SC	43%	35%	14%	5%	4%	213			
CA	42%	34%	16%	5%	4%	3,214			
DC	42%	41%	11%	4%	2%	210			
MD	41%	42%	11%	4%	2%	306			
OK	41%	38%	15%	5%	1%	346			
GA	40%	37%	14%	5%	4%	320			
PA	39%	45%	11%	4%	2%	347			
Significantly Be	elow Average								
WA	33%	42%	17%	6%	2%	282			
NCI Average	44%	38%	12%	4%	2%	6,916			

## Services and Supports Change When Family Member's Needs Change

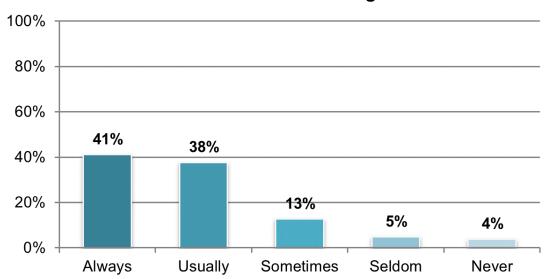


Table Q18. Do the services and supports change when your family member's needs change?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N			
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average								
NH	52%	34%	11%	1%	3%	300			
LA	50%	34%	10%	3%	4%	279			
Within Average	Range								
AZ	46%	38%	11%	3%	2%	301			
SC	45%	30%	15%	5%	6%	199			
FL	44%	34%	11%	6%	5%	341			
VA	43%	43%	7%	5%	2%	129			
PA	43%	41%	9%	4%	3%	294			
NC	41%	40%	14%	3%	3%	192			
OK	39%	38%	15%	6%	2%	324			
CA **	38%	33%	17%	6%	6%	2,802			
DC	38%	40%	14%	3%	5%	196			
GA	36%	36%	12%	9%	7%	280			
Significantly Be	elow Average								
MD	32%	42%	15%	6%	5%	254			
WA	30%	44%	17%	7%	2%	249			
NCI Average	41%	38%	13%	5%	4%	6,140			

## **Support Workers or Translators Are Available** Who Can Speak to Respondent in His/Her Preferred Language (If Not English)

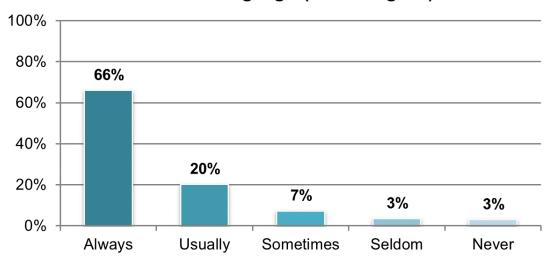


Table Q19. If English is not your primary language, are there support workers or translators who can speak to you in your language?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N
Significantly Al	bove Average					
FL	82%	9%	2%	2%	5%	44
Within Average	Range					
CA	67%	16%	12%	2%	3%	843
AZ	64%	22%	8%	2%	4%	50
WA	52%	33%	7%	7%	0%	27
NCI Average	66%	20%	7%	3%	3%	964

## **Support Workers Communicate Effectively in Primary Language (If English)**

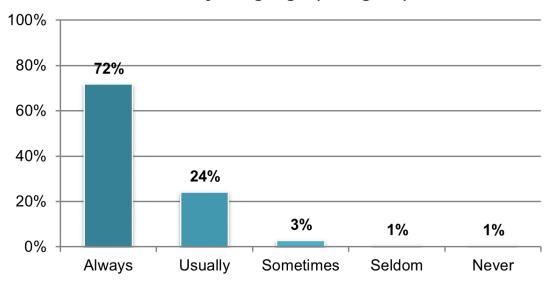


Table Q20. If English is your primary language, do the support workers speak to you effectively?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N			
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average								
LA	81%	16%	2%	0%	1%	286			
FL	79%	17%	2%	1%	1%	313			
NH	78%	19%	2%	0%	0%	333			
Within Average	Range								
AZ	76%	22%	1%	0%	0%	273			
PA	76%	22%	1%	1%	1%	334			
SC	72%	23%	4%	1%	1%	199			
CA	71%	24%	4%	1%	1%	2,408			
OK	70%	28%	2%	0%	0%	322			
GA	69%	24%	4%	2%	1%	336			
VA	68%	31%	1%	0%	0%	124			
MD	67%	25%	6%	1%	0%	327			
DC	66%	27%	6%	1%	0%	197			
NC	66%	30%	3%	1%	1%	184			
WA	66%	31%	3%	0%	0%	239			
NCI Average	72%	24%	3%	1%	1%	5,875			

#### **Support Workers Can Communicate With Family** Member (If Non-Verbal)

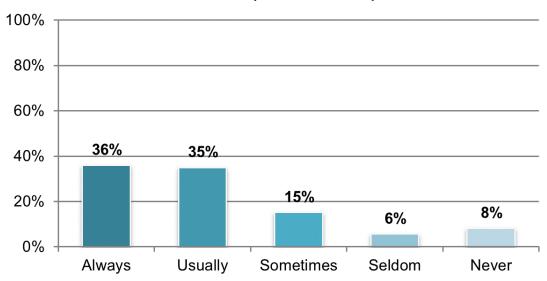


Table Q21. If your family member does not communicate verbally (for example, uses gestures or sign language), are there support workers who can communicate with him/her?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N		
Within Average	Within Average Range							
LA	49%	32%	11%	0%	8%	74		
NH	47%	33%	12%	3%	5%	66		
VA	46%	29%	17%	4%	4%	48		
AZ	44%	32%	10%	3%	10%	87		
NC	42%	29%	23%	5%	2%	65		
FL	41%	26%	13%	6%	13%	99		
PA	34%	41%	11%	5%	8%	97		
CA	34%	26%	14%	9%	16%	652		
SC	33%	34%	13%	8%	11%	61		
OK	31%	41%	15%	8%	5%	93		
MD	31%	45%	20%	0%	4%	55		
DC	28%	37%	25%	1%	8%	71		
GA	27%	42%	14%	7%	10%	71		
Significantly Be	Significantly Below Average							
WA	19%	40%	13%	19%	10%	70		
NCI Average	36%	35%	15%	6%	8%	1,609		

## Services Are Delivered in a Manner That Is Respectful to Family's Culture

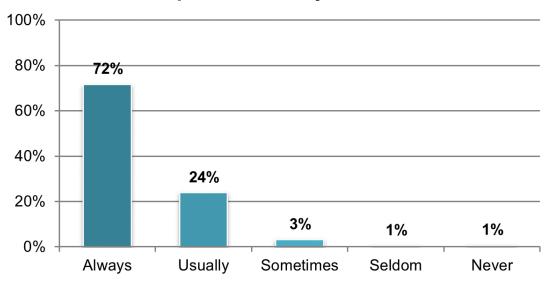


Table Q22. Are services delivered in a way that is respectful to your family's culture?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N		
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average							
LA	79%	17%	3%	0%	0%	312		
PA	78%	20%	1%	0%	0%	335		
NH	78%	19%	2%	1%	0%	310		
FL	77%	20%	1%	0%	1%	371		
Within Average	Range							
AZ	77%	20%	3%	1%	0%	316		
NC	72%	24%	3%	1%	1%	199		
VA	71%	25%	4%	0%	0%	135		
SC	71%	24%	3%	0%	1%	213		
CA	70%	23%	4%	1%	1%	3,145		
WA	69%	29%	2%	0%	0%	270		
OK	69%	27%	3%	1%	1%	338		
Significantly Be	Significantly Below Average							
MD	64%	30%	4%	0%	2%	303		
GA	64%	27%	6%	1%	1%	338		
DC	63%	29%	6%	0%	2%	207		
NCI Average	72%	24%	3%	1%	1%	6,792		

## **Family Member Has Access to Special Equipment or Accommodations Needed**

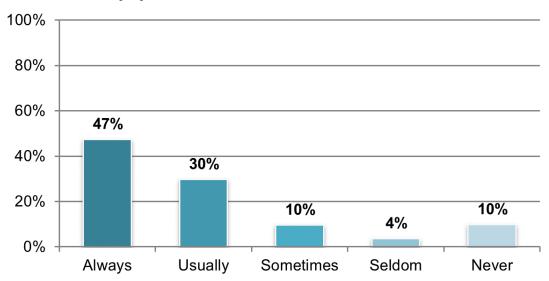


Table Q23. Does your family member have access to the special equipment or accommodations that s/he needs (for example, wheelchair, ramp, communication board)?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N		
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average							
NH	62%	29%	3%	4%	3%	140		
AZ	59%	26%	8%	3%	5%	151		
Within Average	Range							
LA	56%	27%	8%	1%	8%	173		
SC	53%	31%	6%	2%	9%	133		
FL	48%	31%	7%	4%	9%	180		
DC	47%	23%	10%	1%	19%	81		
PA	46%	32%	12%	4%	6%	145		
VA	46%	27%	16%	8%	2%	85		
OK	45%	35%	10%	4%	6%	193		
CA **	44%	27%	9%	4%	16%	1,319		
GA	44%	32%	5%	1%	18%	170		
WA	40%	30%	14%	7%	9%	146		
NC	38%	30%	16%	4%	12%	117		
MD	36%	37%	8%	3%	16%	119		
NCI Average	47%	30%	10%	4%	10%	3,152		

## Family Member's Day/Employment Setting Is **Healthy and Safe**

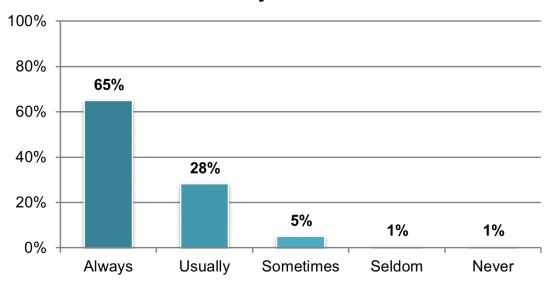


Table Q24. Do you feel that your family member's day/employment setting is a healthy and safe environment?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N		
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average							
LA	80%	16%	3%	0%	1%	254		
Within Average	Range							
DC	69%	20%	8%	1%	2%	192		
AZ	68%	28%	4%	1%	0%	292		
FL	68%	26%	4%	0%	2%	296		
NH	68%	28%	4%	1%	0%	333		
NC	67%	30%	2%	0%	1%	165		
OK	67%	28%	4%	1%	0%	259		
PA	66%	30%	3%	1%	0%	325		
CA	64%	27%	7%	1%	1%	3,023		
SC	61%	28%	8%	1%	1%	210		
VA	61%	32%	7%	0%	0%	121		
GA	61%	32%	6%	1%	0%	317		
WA	60%	34%	4%	0%	2%	233		
Significantly Be	Significantly Below Average							
MD	52%	37%	8%	3%	0%	332		
NCI Average	65%	28%	5%	1%	1%	6,352		

# Support Workers Have the Right Training to Meet Family's Needs

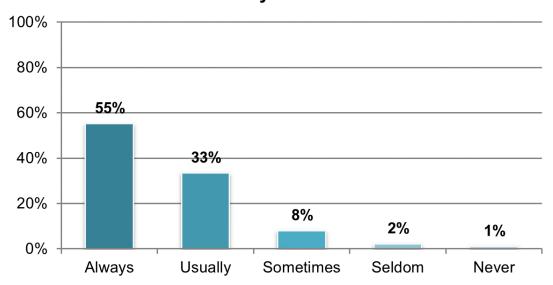


Table Q25. Do the support workers have the right training to meet your family's needs?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N		
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average							
LA	64%	28%	4%	1%	2%	319		
FL	63%	28%	7%	1%	1%	351		
Within Average	Range							
PA	59%	32%	7%	1%	1%	324		
AZ	58%	30%	10%	1%	1%	318		
OK	58%	31%	7%	2%	1%	324		
NC	58%	32%	8%	2%	0%	208		
DC	56%	32%	8%	3%	1%	206		
NH	56%	35%	8%	2%	1%	330		
SC	55%	32%	10%	2%	2%	220		
CA	54%	32%	10%	3%	2%	2,978		
GA	52%	33%	11%	2%	1%	327		
WA	48%	43%	6%	2%	1%	251		
VA	48%	39%	9%	5%	0%	127		
Significantly Be	Significantly Below Average							
MD	43%	41%	11%	4%	1%	311		
NCI Average	55%	33%	8%	2%	1%	6,594		

#### **Support Workers Who Come to the Home Arrive** on Time and When Scheduled

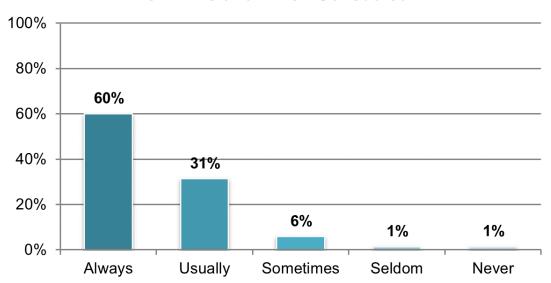


Table Q26. Do the support workers who come to your home arrive on time and when scheduled?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N		
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average							
AZ	69%	27%	3%	1%	1%	305		
LA	69%	23%	7%	1%	1%	318		
PA	67%	27%	4%	0%	1%	311		
Within Average	Range							
FL	66%	26%	4%	2%	1%	357		
WA	64%	32%	3%	0%	1%	215		
CA **	63%	28%	7%	1%	2%	2,636		
SC	62%	27%	7%	2%	1%	193		
DC	60%	28%	10%	0%	1%	204		
NH	59%	34%	5%	1%	1%	293		
OK	57%	32%	8%	3%	1%	293		
MD	56%	36%	7%	1%	1%	227		
NC	53%	40%	6%	1%	1%	188		
VA	48%	40%	6%	3%	2%	122		
Significantly Be	elow Average							
GA	49%	38%	5%	3%	5%	273		
NCI Average	60%	31%	6%	1%	1%	5,935		

## **Happy With Transition From School Services to** State Funded Services (In Past Year)

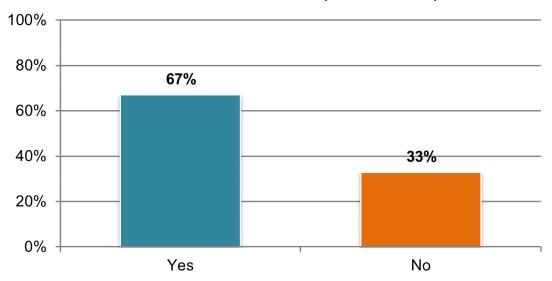


Table Q27. If your family member transitioned from school services to state-funded services during the past year, were you happy with the transition process?

State	Yes	No	N		
Significantly Al	bove Average				
MD	88%	13%	32		
Within Average	Range				
NH	78%	22%	37		
WA	76%	24%	33		
AZ	75%	25%	53		
DC	73%	27%	22		
CA	72%	28%	638		
SC	71%	29%	21		
PA	67%	33%	24		
LA	62%	38%	21		
NC	52%	48%	21		
FL	52%	48%	27		
Significantly Below Average					
GA	39%	61%	33		
NCI Average	67%	33%	962		

# Crisis or Emergency Services Were Provided When Needed (If Requested In the Past Year)

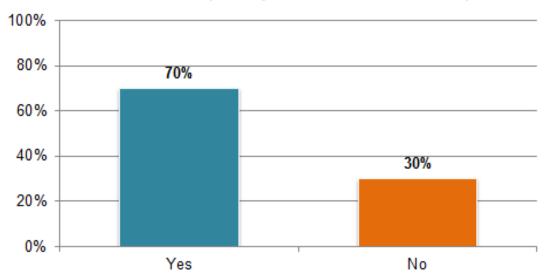


Table Q28. If you asked for crisis or emergency services during the past year, were services provided when needed?

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
NH	83%	17%	82				
Within Average	Range						
AZ	77%	23%	52				
LA	75%	25%	110				
WA	74%	26%	70				
NC	72%	28%	61				
MD	71%	29%	62				
SC	70%	30%	76				
DC	70%	30%	79				
OK	69%	31%	52				
FL	68%	32%	107				
VA	67%	33%	33				
CA **	64%	37%	888				
PA	62%	38%	77				
GA	61%	39%	80				
NCI Average	70%	30%	1,829				

## Respondent Has Access to Health Services for **Family Member**

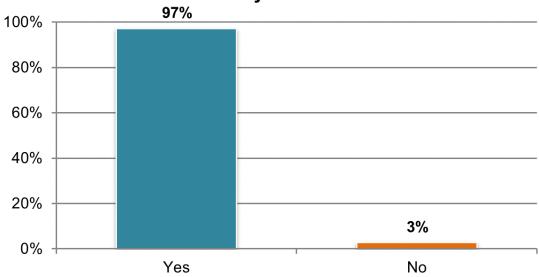


Table Q29. Do you have access to health services for your family member?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly A	bove Average		
VA	99%	1%	141
OK	99%	1%	355
AZ	99%	1%	352
Within Average	e Range		
NC	99%	1%	213
NH	98%	2%	344
PA	98%	2%	375
WA	97%	3%	316
LA	97%	3%	325
MD	97%	3%	338
GA	96%	4%	358
FL	96%	4%	364
SC	96%	4%	235
DC	96%	4%	229
CA **	94%	6%	3,421
NCI Average	97%	3%	7,366

#### **Respondent Is Satisfied With Family Member's Health Providers**

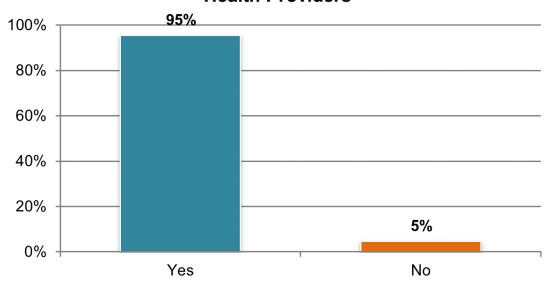


Table Q29a. If you have access to health services for your family member, are you satisfied with the quality of these providers?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
GA	98%	2%	329
Within Average	Range		
VA	98%	2%	133
OK	97%	3%	343
DC	96%	4%	209
NH	96%	4%	328
SC	96%	4%	216
AZ	96%	4%	329
LA	95%	5%	300
NC	95%	5%	201
MD	95%	5%	305
CA **	94%	6%	2,995
PA	94%	6%	347
WA	94%	6%	294
FL	93%	7%	339
NCI Average	95%	5%	6,668

## Respondent Has Access to Dental Services for **Family Member**

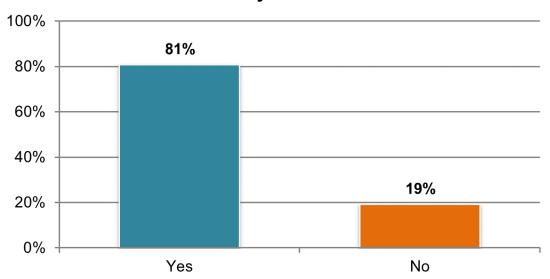


Table Q30. Do you have access to dental services for your family member?

State	Yes	No	N		
Significantly Ab	oove Average				
DC	94%	6%	232		
PA	91%	9%	372		
WA	89%	11%	307		
OK	87%	13%	337		
Within Average	Range				
NC	87%	13%	210		
NH	86%	14%	332		
MD	81%	19%	340		
SC	80%	20%	232		
CA **	76%	24%	3,259		
GA	75%	25%	360		
VA	75%	25%	138		
Significantly Below Average					
FL	72%	28%	373		
LA	71%	29%	308		
AZ	68%	32%	314		
NCI Average	81%	19%	7,114		

#### **Respondent Is Satisfied With Family Member's Dental Providers**

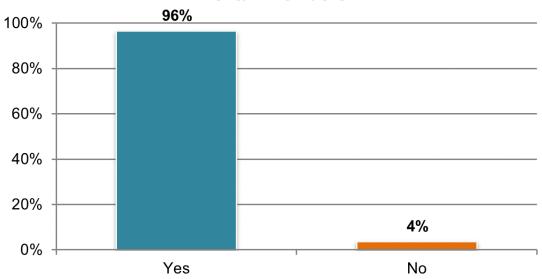


Table Q30a. If you have access to dental services for your family member, are you satisfied with the quality of these providers?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly A	bove Average		
AZ	99%	1%	182
Within Average	Range		
LA	99%	1%	201
NH	98%	2%	270
OK	97%	3%	275
NC	97%	3%	171
VA	97%	3%	98
PA	97%	3%	318
GA	96%	4%	239
MD	96%	4%	253
DC	95%	5%	196
FL	95%	5%	246
WA	95%	5%	254
CA **	94%	6%	2,227
SC	94%	6%	175
NCI Average	96%	4%	5,105



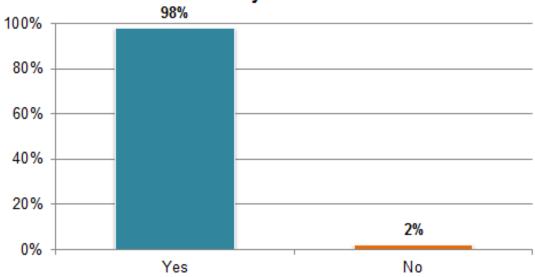


Table Q31. Are you able to get medications needed for your family member?

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly Above Average							
MD	100%	0%	335				
NC	100%	0%	210				
Within Average	Range						
VA	99%	1%	144				
PA	99%	1%	382				
NH	99%	1%	345				
AZ	99%	1%	342				
OK	98%	2%	368				
GA	98%	2%	360				
SC	98%	2%	237				
LA	97%	3%	331				
DC	97%	3%	220				
WA	97%	3%	306				
FL	96%	4%	370				
CA **	96%	4%	3,323				
NCI Average	98%	2%	7,273				

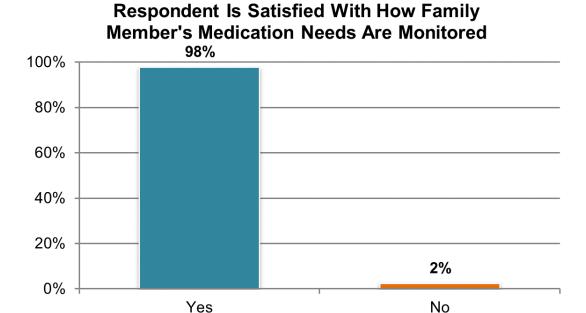


Table Q31a. If you are able to get needed medications for your family member, are you satisfied with how your family member's medication needs are monitored?

State	Yes	No	N				
Within Average Range							
VA	99%	1%	131				
OK	99%	1%	344				
PA	99%	1%	340				
FL	98%	2%	327				
GA	98%	2%	321				
AZ	98%	2%	319				
SC	98%	2%	219				
LA	98%	2%	297				
NH	97%	3%	308				
MD	97%	3%	293				
DC	97%	3%	193				
NC	97%	3%	193				
WA	97%	3%	282				
CA **	97%	3%	2,908				
NCI Average	98%	2%	6,475				

## **Respondent Has Access to Needed Mental** Health Services for Family Member

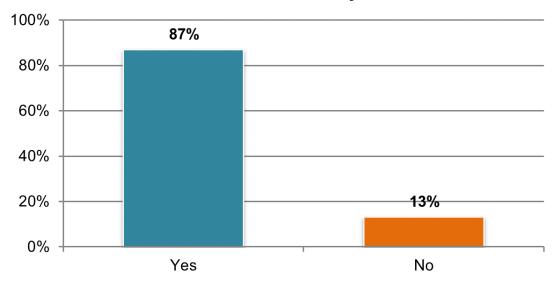


Table Q32. If needed, do you have access to mental health services for your family member?

State	Yes	No	N					
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average							
NC	94%	6%	141					
Within Average	Range							
VA	92%	8%	102					
NH	91%	9%	198					
AZ	91%	9%	195					
LA	91%	9%	184					
PA	91%	9%	215					
MD	89%	11%	196					
WA	89%	11%	180					
DC	85%	15%	166					
OK	84%	16%	184					
FL	82%	18%	234					
Significantly Bo	elow Average							
CA	80%	20%	2,144					
GA	80%	20%	232					
SC	78%	22%	143					
NCI Average	87%	13%	4,514					

#### **Respondent Is Satisfied With Family Member's Mental Health Providers**

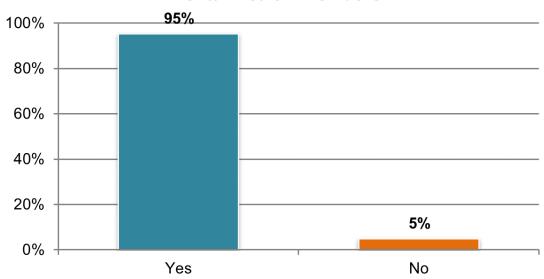


Table Q32a. If you have access to needed mental health services, are you satisfied with the quality of these providers?

State	Yes	No	N				
Within Average Range							
OK	97%	3%	118				
LA	97%	3%	139				
PA	97%	3%	147				
WA	96%	4%	120				
SC	96%	4%	95				
AZ	96%	4%	141				
GA	95%	5%	153				
NC	95%	5%	108				
FL	95%	5%	147				
NH	95%	5%	136				
MD	95%	5%	130				
CA	94%	6%	1,336				
DC	93%	7%	115				
VA	91%	9%	79				
NCI Average	95%	5%	2,964				

## Respondent Has Access to Respite Services **Needed for Family Member**

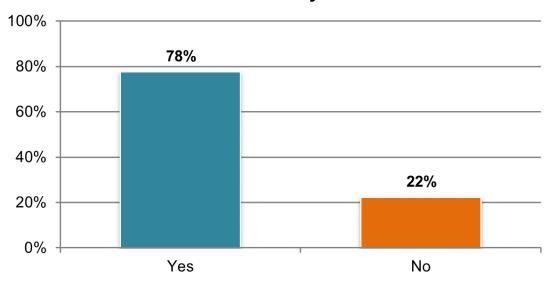


Table Q33. If you need respite services, do you have access to them?

State	Yes	No	N					
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average							
AZ	96%	4%	311					
DC	89%	11%	157					
VA	89%	11%	119					
NH	87%	13%	270					
NC	86%	14%	179					
SC	85%	15%	175					
Within Average	Range							
LA	80%	20%	199					
PA	79%	21%	235					
WA	78%	22%	241					
CA	77%	23%	2,166					
Significantly Bo	elow Average							
FL	74%	26%	244					
MD	62%	38%	169					
GA	57%	43%	213					
OK	47%	53%	166					
NCI Average	78%	22%	4,844					

## **Respondent Is Satisfied With Family Member's Respite Providers**

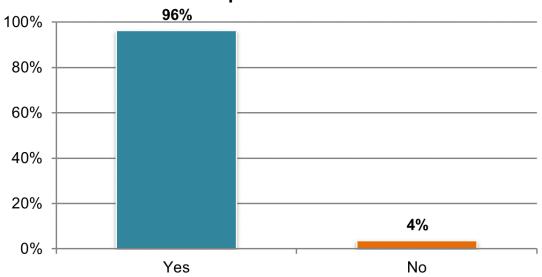


Table Q33a. If you have access to needed respite services, are you satisfied with the quality of these providers?

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly Above Average							
AZ	98%	2%	260				
Within Average	Range						
VA	99%	1%	93				
OK	98%	2%	59				
NH	97%	3%	207				
DC	97%	3%	95				
GA	97%	3%	93				
PA	97%	3%	147				
MD	96%	4%	82				
FL	96%	4%	157				
LA	96%	4%	141				
SC	95%	5%	125				
CA	95%	5%	1,398				
WA	94%	6%	160				
NC	93%	7%	139				
NCI Average	96%	4%	3,156				

#### **Services Are Needed That Are Not Currently** Offered or Available

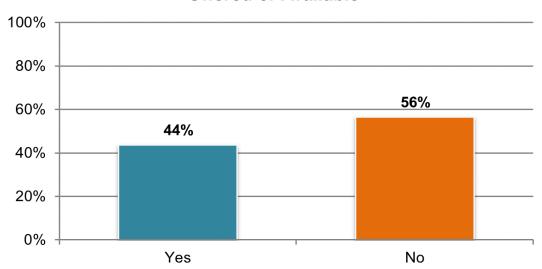


Table Q34. Are there other services that your family member needs that are not currently offered or available?4

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly Above Average							
MD	54%	46%	216				
FL	53%	47%	295				
CA **	49%	51%	2,121				
Within Average	Range						
SC	53%	47%	159				
GA	47%	53%	218				
WA	47%	53%	195				
VA	47%	53%	103				
NC	46%	54%	144				
DC	41%	59%	144				
PA	38%	62%	258				
Significantly Bo	elow Average						
LA	35%	65%	235				
NH	34%	66%	239				
OK	34%	66%	219				
AZ	34%	66%	234				
NCI Average	44%	56%	4,780				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The 'yes' response is the less desired response.

#### **Choice and Control**

Families and family members with disabilities determine the services and supports they receive and the individuals or agencies who provide them.

**Note:** State outcomes with fewer than 20 responses were not reported.

**Note on California significance:** Due to the large N, many of California's data show significant outcomes. For the purposes of this report, the California data are only shown as significant if those outcomes remain significant when controlled for the number of respondents. Where the CA average is denoted with two asterisks (\*\*), an outcome is significant *only* due to the sample size.

## Respondent Chooses Provider Agencies That **Work With Family**

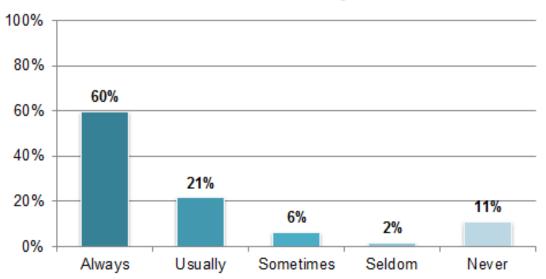


Table Q35. Do you choose the provider agencies who work with your family?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average						
LA	83%	10%	2%	0%	5%	308	
AZ	72%	18%	5%	2%	3%	321	
NH	70%	18%	2%	1%	8%	297	
OK	67%	21%	4%	1%	6%	341	
Within Average	Range						
NC	68%	21%	3%	0%	7%	205	
FL	62%	20%	5%	2%	11%	380	
PA	59%	26%	7%	2%	7%	324	
WA	55%	20%	12%	3%	10%	245	
GA	54%	20%	5%	1%	19%	305	
MD	54%	23%	7%	2%	14%	303	
VA	52%	27%	8%	3%	10%	129	
Significantly B	elow Average						
SC	49%	29%	6%	0%	16%	212	
CA	45%	23%	10%	4%	18%	2,781	
DC	44%	23%	11%	2%	21%	200	
NCI Average	60%	21%	6%	2%	11%	6,351	

## Family Member Chooses Provider Agencies Who **Work With Family**

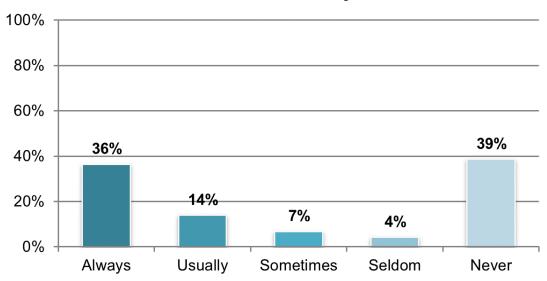


Table Q36. Does your family member choose the provider agencies who work with your family?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
LA	56%	11%	4%	1%	29%	264	
FL	46%	15%	6%	6%	27%	330	
NH	45%	14%	5%	5%	31%	254	
Within Average	Range						
NC	41%	16%	4%	1%	38%	175	
AZ	38%	9%	8%	6%	38%	265	
OK	37%	15%	4%	3%	40%	291	
DC	35%	13%	9%	4%	38%	178	
GA	34%	7%	6%	4%	49%	273	
MD	33%	16%	9%	4%	38%	273	
SC	32%	19%	8%	2%	40%	172	
CA **	31%	16%	9%	6%	38%	2,474	
VA	29%	14%	5%	5%	47%	104	
Significantly Bo	Significantly Below Average						
WA	28%	11%	11%	7%	42%	222	
PA	27%	17%	8%	4%	45%	275	
NCI Average	36%	14%	7%	4%	39%	5,550	

## Respondent Can Choose a Different Provider **Agency If Desired**

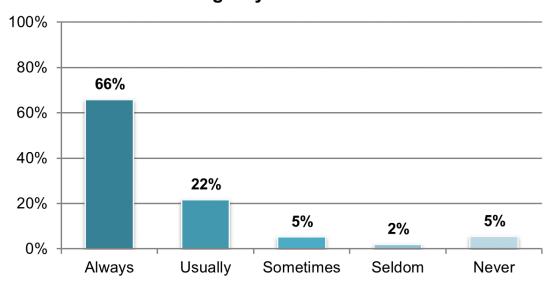


Table Q37. Can you choose a different provider agency if you want to?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
LA	79%	16%	2%	0%	2%	295	
OK	74%	20%	4%	1%	2%	296	
Within Average	Range						
NC	73%	20%	5%	1%	2%	178	
NH	71%	15%	6%	3%	5%	198	
FL	70%	20%	4%	2%	4%	328	
AZ	70%	22%	4%	1%	3%	258	
MD	68%	20%	5%	2%	5%	247	
SC	64%	18%	4%	2%	12%	138	
DC	64%	25%	5%	1%	4%	157	
PA	64%	28%	4%	1%	3%	225	
GA	61%	26%	5%	4%	4%	226	
VA	59%	23%	7%	1%	9%	86	
WA	56%	23%	7%	4%	9%	166	
Significantly Bo	elow Average						
CA	49%	26%	9%	4%	12%	1,810	
NCI Average	66%	22%	5%	2%	5%	4,608	

#### **Respondent Chooses Individual Support Workers Who Work Directly With Family**

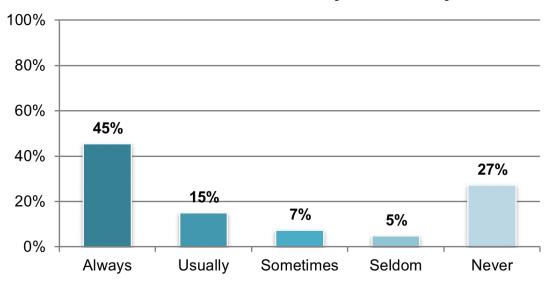


Table Q38. Do you choose the individual support workers who work directly with your family?

Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly Above Average						
65%	11%	4%	2%	18%	297	
64%	12%	6%	3%	15%	282	
63%	14%	4%	1%	17%	341	
62%	13%	6%	5%	15%	307	
58%	19%	8%	3%	11%	192	
Range						
47%	13%	5%	7%	28%	304	
40%	19%	9%	10%	21%	225	
40%	11%	6%	4%	39%	301	
39%	13%	13%	5%	30%	123	
39%	18%	8%	3%	31%	206	
elow Average						
36%	13%	7%	6%	38%	300	
35%	16%	8%	6%	35%	2,436	
27%	16%	9%	4%	44%	197	
21%	22%	8%	9%	40%	285	
45%	15%	7%	5%	27%	5,796	
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#### **Family Member Chooses Individual Support Workers Who Work Directly With Family**

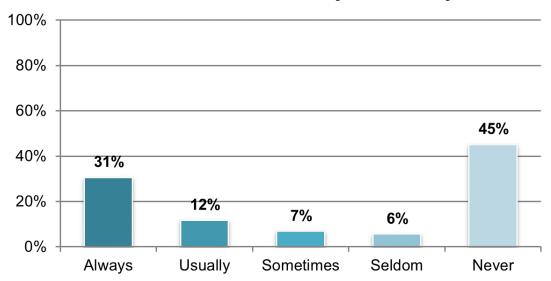


Table Q39. Does your family member choose the individual support workers who work directly with your family?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average						
FL	48%	10%	5%	6%	32%	305	
LA	47%	7%	8%	3%	35%	274	
OK	40%	12%	5%	5%	38%	278	
Within Average	Range						
AZ	38%	9%	6%	7%	40%	250	
NH	36%	9%	9%	4%	42%	275	
NC	32%	20%	10%	4%	34%	180	
DC	30%	14%	6%	5%	46%	192	
VA	27%	9%	8%	6%	50%	107	
CA	25%	12%	7%	6%	50%	2,236	
GA	24%	8%	6%	6%	56%	277	
SC	23%	9%	6%	4%	58%	174	
Significantly B	Significantly Below Average						
WA	22%	14%	5%	10%	48%	212	
PA	20%	11%	5%	5%	60%	274	
MD	17%	21%	8%	9%	46%	273	
NCI Average	31%	12%	7%	6%	45%	5,334	

#### Respondent Can Choose Different Support **Workers If Desired**

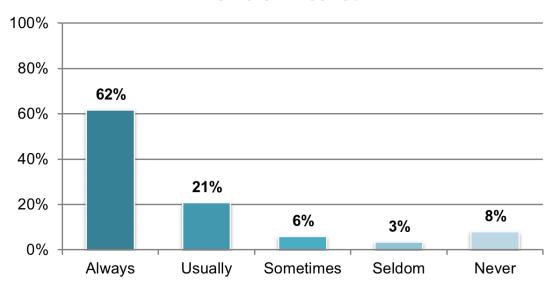


Table Q40. Can you choose different support workers if you want to?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N	
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average						
LA	75%	13%	5%	3%	5%	276	
AZ	74%	16%	3%	4%	3%	251	
FL	72%	17%	3%	1%	6%	323	
OK	71%	16%	5%	4%	4%	275	
Within Average	Range						
NC	69%	21%	4%	4%	2%	181	
NH	67%	16%	9%	2%	5%	227	
GA	62%	16%	8%	3%	10%	202	
DC	61%	26%	8%	1%	4%	157	
PA	56%	26%	4%	4%	10%	215	
WA	55%	23%	6%	7%	9%	172	
VA	51%	31%	3%	7%	7%	94	
Significantly B	elow Average						
CA	54%	23%	9%	4%	11%	1,797	
SC	48%	24%	8%	2%	18%	130	
MD	48%	24%	6%	5%	17%	189	
NCI Average	62%	21%	6%	3%	8%	4,489	

#### Respondent Chose Case Manager/Service Coordinator

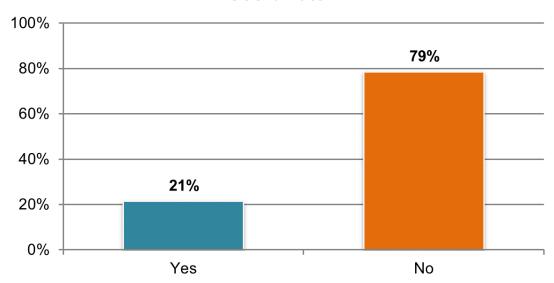


Table Q41. Did you choose your family member's case manager/service coordinator?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
FL	62%	38%	376
LA	48%	52%	314
Within Average	Range		
NC	26%	74%	203
PA	20%	80%	358
DC	19%	81%	226
MD	19%	81%	348
VA	18%	82%	141
SC	17%	83%	243
AZ	16%	84%	335
Significantly Bo	elow Average		
NH	13%	87%	359
GA	12%	88%	352
CA	12%	88%	3,348
OK	12%	88%	351
WA	7%	93%	318
NCI Average	21%	79%	7,272

#### Family Member Chose Case Manager/Service Coordinator

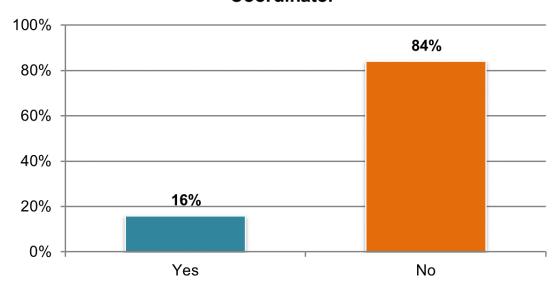


Table Q42. Did your family member choose his/her case manager/service coordinator?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
FL	46%	54%	349
LA	33%	67%	304
Within Average	Range		
SC	16%	84%	226
NC	15%	85%	192
DC	15%	85%	223
VA	15%	85%	137
AZ	13%	87%	318
MD	12%	88%	338
NH	12%	88%	355
Significantly Bo	elow Average		
GA	10%	90%	341
PA	10%	90%	342
OK	10%	90%	341
CA	10%	91%	3,263
WA	6%	94%	321
NCI Average	16%	84%	7,050

#### Respondent Has Control or Input Over Hiring and Management of Support Workers

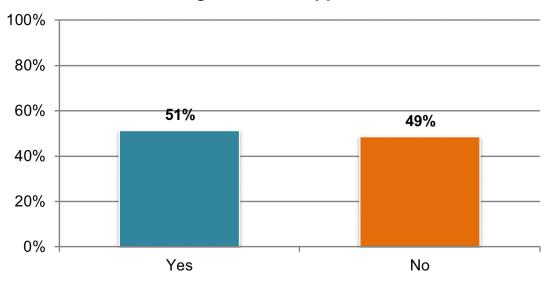


Table Q43. Do you have control and/or input over the hiring and management of your family member's support workers?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
LA	71%	29%	297
NC	71%	29%	185
FL	69%	31%	327
OK	67%	33%	308
Within Average	Range		
NH	57%	43%	293
AZ	56%	44%	266
WA	55%	45%	228
VA	48%	52%	131
DC	47%	53%	191
Significantly Bo	elow Average		
PA	43%	57%	293
CA	42%	58%	2,480
GA	41%	59%	296
SC	27%	73%	199
MD	24%	76%	279
NCI Average	51%	49%	5,773

#### Family Member Has Control or Input Over Hiring and Management of Support Workers

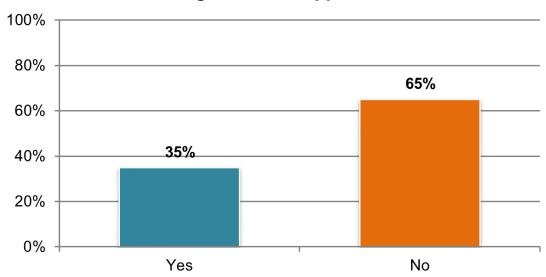


Table Q44. Does your family member have control and/or input over the hiring and management of his/her support workers?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly A	bove Average		
FL	56%	44%	309
LA	50%	50%	273
OK	45%	55%	291
NC	44%	56%	182
NH	42%	58%	285
Within Average	Range		
DC	34%	66%	183
VA	34%	66%	122
AZ	33%	67%	252
CA **	31%	69%	2,445
WA	30%	70%	230
Significantly B	elow Average		
GA	27%	73%	285
PA	25%	75%	284
MD	20%	80%	267
SC	18%	82%	180
NCI Average	35%	65%	5,588

#### Respondent Knows How Much Money Is Spent by the ID/DD Agency on Family Member's Behalf

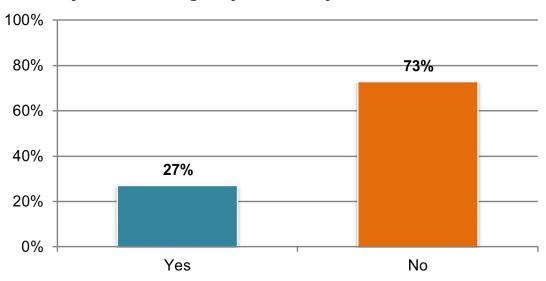


Table Q45. Do you know how much money is spent by the ID/DD agency on behalf of your family member with a developmental disability?

State	Yes	No	N		
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average				
FL	60%	40%	384		
OK	53%	47%	377		
NH	41%	59%	362		
Within Average	Range				
GA	32%	68%	368		
CA	28%	72%	3,586		
SC	27%	73%	248		
LA	23%	77%	338		
WA	23%	77%	315		
PA	22%	78%	375		
NC	20%	80%	217		
Significantly B	elow Average				
MD	19%	81%	362		
VA	14%	86%	141		
AZ	9%	91%	346		
DC	7%	93%	229		
NCI Average	27%	73%	7,648		

### Family Member Knows How Much Money Is Spent by the ID/DD Agency on His/Her Behalf

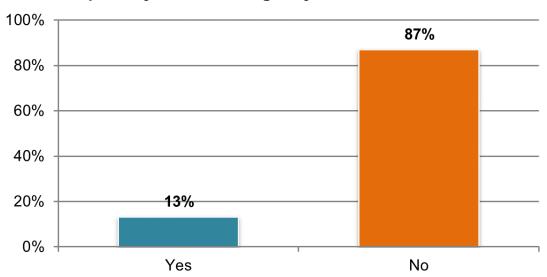


Table Q46. Does your family member know how much money is spent by the ID/DD agency on his/her behalf?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
FL	36%	64%	361
OK	21%	79%	345
Within Average	Range		
NH	18%	82%	340
SC	15%	85%	230
LA	14%	86%	315
CA	13%	87%	3,444
GA	12%	88%	357
WA	12%	88%	305
PA	10%	90%	354
Significantly Bo	elow Average		
MD	9%	91%	352
NC	8%	92%	200
VA	6%	94%	134
DC	6%	94%	230
AZ	5%	95%	322
NCI Average	13%	87%	7,289

# Respondent Has a Say in How ID/DD Agency Money Is Spent on Family Member's Behalf

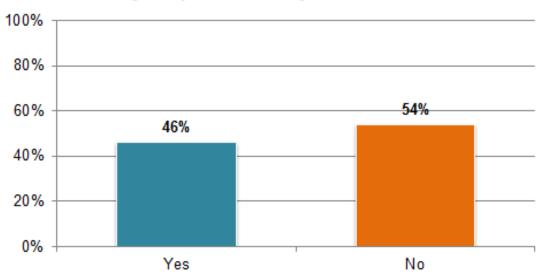


Table Q47. Do you have a say in how this money is spent?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
OK	73%	27%	292
FL	70%	30%	316
NH	62%	38%	289
PA	60%	40%	261
Within Average	Range		
GA	52%	48%	288
WA	52%	48%	235
DC	41%	59%	177
LA	41%	59%	245
NC	40%	60%	157
AZ	39%	61%	214
Significantly Bo	elow Average		
CA	35%	65%	2,346
MD	32%	68%	263
SC	29%	71%	182
VA	24%	76%	103
NCI Average	46%	54%	5,368

#### Respondent Has All Information Needed to **Decide How to Spend ID/DD Agency Money**

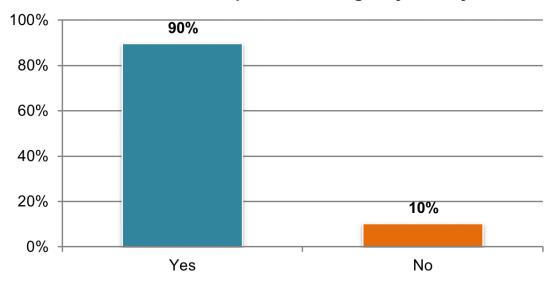


Table Q47a. If you have a say in how ID/DD agency money is spent, do you have all the information you need to make decisions about how to spend this money?

State	Yes	No	N		
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average				
VA	100%	0%	24		
Within Average	Range				
MD	95%	5%	73		
LA	94%	6%	89		
PA	93%	7%	136		
FL	93%	7%	194		
AZ	92%	8%	76		
WA	90%	10%	108		
CA	89%	11%	715		
DC	88%	12%	67		
NH	88%	12%	164		
OK	87%	13%	188		
NC	84%	16%	57		
GA	83%	17%	130		
SC	79%	21%	43		
NCI Average	90%	10%	2,064		

# Family Member Has Say in How ID/DD Agency Money Is Spent on His/Her Behalf

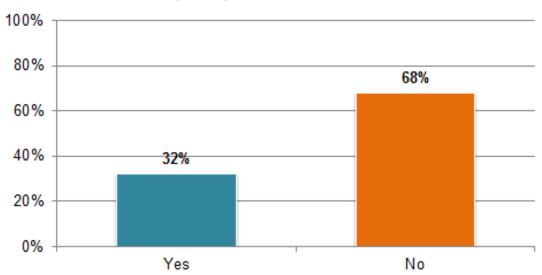


Table Q48. Does your family member have a say in how this money is spent?

State	Yes	No	N
Significantly Al	bove Average		
FL	55%	45%	278
OK	44%	56%	265
NH	42%	58%	273
Within Average	Range		
PA	35%	65%	249
GA	35%	65%	261
WA	31%	69%	234
DC	30%	70%	166
MD	27%	73%	263
LA	26%	74%	232
SC	25%	75%	158
NC	24%	76%	152
Significantly Bo	elow Average		
CA	24%	76%	2,270
AZ	23%	77%	223
VA	19%	81%	94
NCI Average	32%	68%	5,118

#### Family Member Has All Information Needed to **Decide How to Spend ID/DD Agency Money**

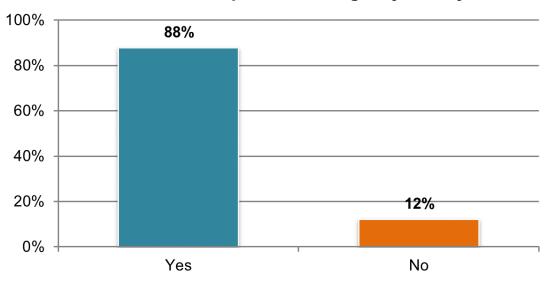


Table Q48a. If your family member has a say in how agency money is spent, does your family member have all the information s/he needs to make decisions about how to spend this money?

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly Above Average							
LA	96%	4%	52				
Within Average	Range						
MD	92%	8%	62				
CA**	92%	9%	481				
PA	91%	9%	77				
FL	91%	9%	139				
OK	90%	10%	102				
WA	90%	10%	67				
GA	89%	11%	75				
NC	85%	15%	33				
NH	85%	15%	99				
AZ	83%	17%	47				
SC	81%	19%	32				
DC	78%	22%	45				
NCI Average	88%	12%	1,311				

#### **Community Connections**

Family members with disabilities use integrated community services and participate in everyday community activities.

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# Family Member Participates in Community Activities

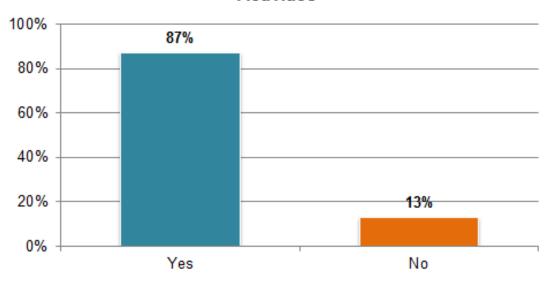


Table Q49. Does your family member participate in community activities (such as going out to a restaurant, movie, or sporting event)?

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average						
NH	92%	8%	369				
OK	91%	9%	374				
Within Average	Range						
AZ	91%	9%	349				
VA	90%	10%	146				
DC	90%	10%	236				
NC	89%	11%	223				
PA	88%	12%	386				
WA	87%	13%	324				
MD	87%	13%	356				
GA	87%	13%	375				
LA	86%	14%	334				
FL	85%	15%	358				
Significantly Below Average							
CA	80%	20%	3,558				
SC	80%	20%	242				
NCI Average	87%	13%	7,630				

#### Reasons Family Member Does Not Participate in **Community Activities**

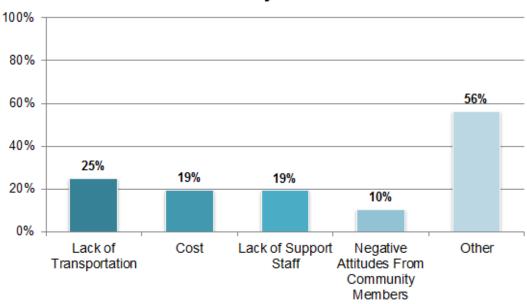


Table Q49a. If your family member doesn't participate in community activities, why not?

State	Lack of Transportation	Cost	Lack of Support Staff	Negative Attitudes From Community Members	Other
AZ	13%	22%	17%	17%	61%
CA	27%	26%	26%	9%	50%
FL	14%	24%	17%	7%	64%
GA	32%	25%	29%	0%	32%
LA	24%	13%	13%	11%	55%
MD	21%	21%	24%	3%	63%
NC	29%	10%	10%	19%	52%
OK	27%	12%	12%	12%	58%
PA	24%	15%	24%	6%	70%
SC	40%	23%	21%	14%	53%
WA	25%	22%	19%	17%	58%
NCI Average	25%	19%	19%	10%	56%

#### **Family Member Has Friends or Relationships** With People Other Than Paid Support Workers or **Family**

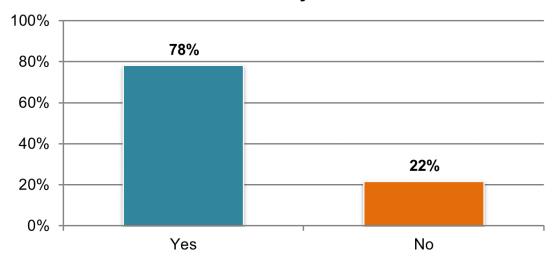


Table Q50. Does your family member have friends or relationships with persons other than paid support workers or family?

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
OK	88%	12%	365				
NH	83%	17%	367				
Within Average	Range						
AZ	81%	19%	345				
NC	80%	20%	220				
VA	79%	21%	146				
LA	79%	21%	340				
GA	79%	21%	369				
FL	79%	21%	387				
WA	78%	22%	319				
PA	78%	22%	378				
DC	76%	24%	228				
SC	74%	26%	250				
MD	74%	26%	358				
Significantly Below Average							
CA	68%	32%	3,410				
NCI Average	78%	22%	7,482				

#### Family Member Has Enough Support to Work or **Volunteer in the Community**

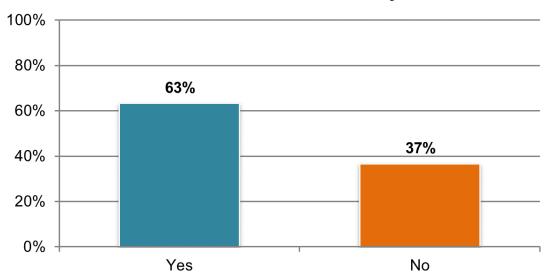


Table Q51. Does your family member have enough supports (for example, support workers, community resources) to work or volunteer in the community?

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average						
NH	78%	22%	318				
Within Average	Range						
OK	68%	32%	279				
MD	68%	32%	289				
AZ	67%	33%	232				
DC	67%	33%	192				
PA	66%	34%	268				
NC	64%	36%	178				
LA	62%	38%	275				
GA	59%	41%	288				
WA	59%	41%	267				
CA **	59%	41%	2,754				
VA	58%	42%	111				
FL	56%	44%	288				
SC	55%	45%	188				
NCI Average	63%	37%	5,927				

### **Satisfaction With Services and Supports**



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#### Respondent Is Satisfied With the Services and **Supports Family Receives**

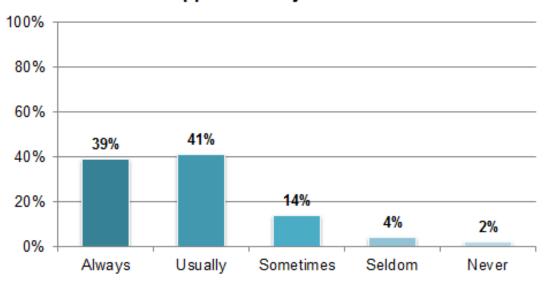


Table Q52. Overall, are you satisfied with the services and supports your family currently receives?

State	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom	Never	N		
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average							
LA	50%	36%	11%	2%	2%	340		
Within Average	Range							
NH	46%	41%	10%	2%	2%	367		
AZ	46%	42%	11%	1%	1%	352		
FL	43%	35%	15%	5%	2%	388		
CA	41%	36%	16%	4%	3%	3,575		
DC	41%	33%	19%	5%	2%	232		
SC	40%	40%	13%	5%	2%	253		
VA	39%	41%	14%	5%	1%	145		
PA	38%	45%	13%	3%	2%	387		
NC	37%	40%	18%	4%	2%	222		
GA	37%	42%	14%	5%	2%	369		
OK	35%	50%	11%	4%	1%	363		
Significantly Be	elow Average							
MD	30%	44%	19%	4%	3%	356		
WA	27%	53%	14%	4%	1%	314		
NCI Average	39%	41%	14%	4%	2%	7,663		

#### Respondent Knows Process for Filing a **Complaint or Grievance Against Provider Agencies or Staff**

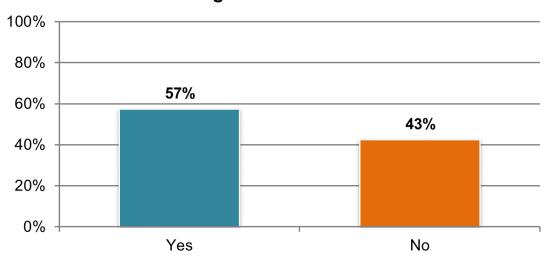


Table Q53. Do you know the process for filing a complaint or grievance against provider agencies or staff?<sup>5</sup>

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average						
OK	80%	20%	362				
LA	76%	24%	340				
FL	70%	30%	389				
NH	69%	31%	359				
Within Average	Range						
NC	64%	36%	223				
PA	58%	42%	374				
WA	58%	42%	310				
AZ	57%	43%	345				
VA	53%	47%	141				
DC	51%	49%	235				
Significantly B	elow Average						
SC	47%	53%	252				
CA	45%	55%	3,578				
GA	41%	59%	374				
MD	36%	64%	356				
NCI Average	57%	43%	7,638				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 'Don't know' responses are included with 'no' responses.

#### Respondent Is Satisfied With the Way **Complaints or Grievances Against Provider** Agencies or Staff Are Handled and Resolved

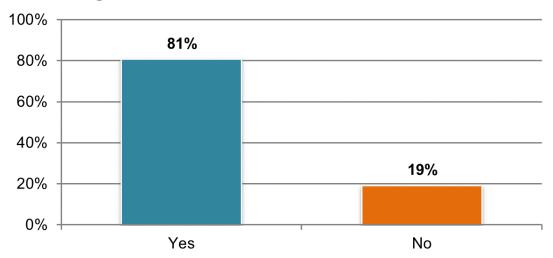


Table Q54. Are you satisfied with the way complaints or grievances against provider agencies or staff are handled and resolved?

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average						
OK	90%	10%	174				
LA	89%	11%	201				
Within Average	Range						
PA	86%	14%	146				
FL	86%	14%	195				
NH	84%	16%	140				
AZ	84%	16%	118				
NC	83%	17%	117				
WA	81%	19%	103				
GA	79%	21%	143				
VA	76%	24%	62				
CA**	75%	25%	1,434				
DC	75%	25%	114				
SC	74%	26%	113				
Significantly Below Average							
MD	69%	31%	121				
NCI Average	81%	19%	3,181				

### Respondent Knows How to Report Abuse or **Neglect**

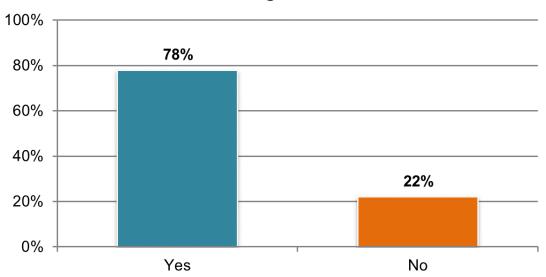


Table Q55. Do you know how to report abuse or neglect?<sup>6</sup>

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average						
OK	91%	9%	349				
FL	88%	12%	383				
LA	87%	13%	327				
Within Average	Range						
NH	83%	17%	354				
NC	81%	19%	215				
WA	79%	21%	303				
DC	79%	21%	230				
VA	78%	22%	144				
AZ	78%	22%	338				
PA	77%	23%	366				
SC	75%	25%	244				
Significantly B	Significantly Below Average						
GA	70%	30%	363				
CA	65%	35%	3,483				
MD	61%	39%	348				
NCI Average	78%	22%	7,447				

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 6}\,{}^{\prime}{\rm Don't}$  know' responses are included with 'no' responses.

#### Respondent Reported Abuse or Neglect If it Occured in the Past Year

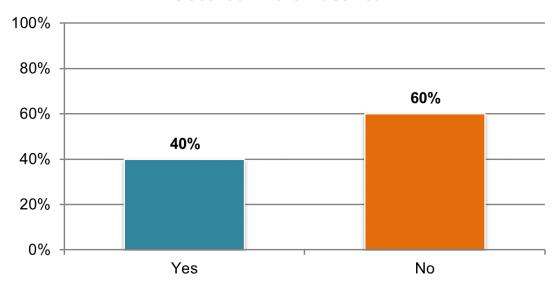


Table Q56. Within the past year, if abuse or neglect occurred, did you report it?

State	Yes	No	N			
Within Average	Within Average Range					
NH	57%	43%	51			
MD	52%	48%	56			
LA	50%	50%	54			
NC	46%	54%	35			
SC	44%	56%	57			
OK	41%	59%	41			
FL	38%	62%	71			
AZ	38%	62%	58			
PA	36%	64%	66			
GA	32%	68%	59			
DC	31%	69%	62			
WA	27%	73%	59			
Significantly Below Average						
CA	26%	74%	826			
NCI Average	40%	60%	1,495			

#### Appropriate People Were Responsive to Report of Abuse or Neglect if Reported in the Past Year

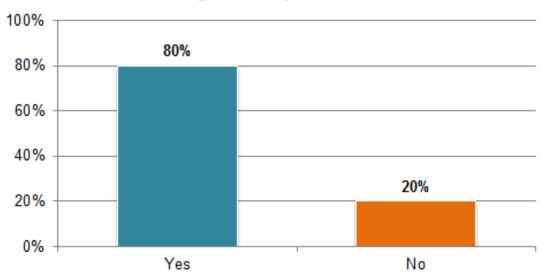
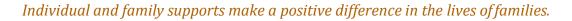


Table Q56a. If you reported abuse or neglect in the past year, were the appropriate people responsive to your report?

State	Yes	No	N		
Within Average	Within Average Range				
CA	83%	17%	168		
MD	80%	20%	25		
SC	76%	24%	21		
NCI Average	80%	20%	214		

#### **Family Outcomes**



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#### Services and Supports Have Made a Positive Difference in Family's Life

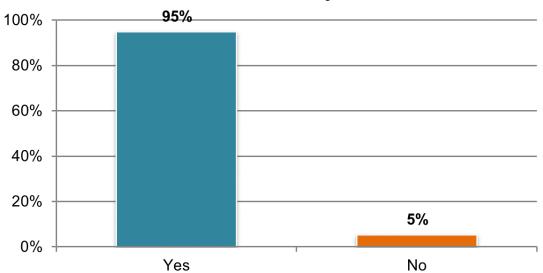


Table Q57. Do you feel that services and supports have made a positive difference in the life of your family?

State	Yes	No	N				
Significantly Al	Significantly Above Average						
OK	98%	2%	346				
NC	98%	2%	209				
Within Average	Range						
AZ	97%	3%	335				
LA	95%	5%	326				
MD	95%	5%	330				
PA	95%	5%	355				
NH	94%	6%	360				
VA	94%	6%	137				
GA	94%	6%	350				
WA	94%	6%	291				
FL	94%	6%	361				
DC	93%	7%	218				
SC	93%	7%	236				
Significantly Below Average							
CA **	92%	8%	3,281				
NCI Average	95%	5%	7,135				

#### Services and Supports Have Reduced Family's **Out-of-Pocket Expenses for Family Member's** Care

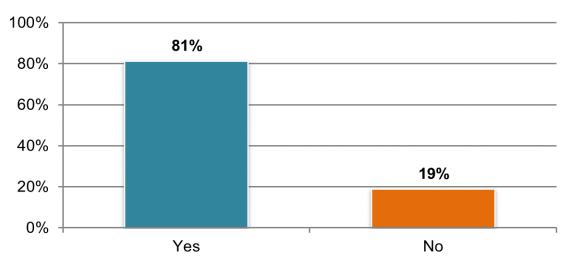


Table Q58. Do you feel that services and supports have reduced your family's out-of-pocket expenses for your family member's care?

State	Yes	No	N		
Significantly A	Significantly Above Average				
OK	90%	10%	336		
Within Average	Range				
AZ	86%	14%	316		
LA	84%	16%	305		
PA	83%	17%	330		
VA	82%	18%	129		
NH	82%	18%	332		
WA	82%	18%	277		
MD	81%	19%	314		
SC	80%	20%	224		
NC	80%	20%	201		
FL	79%	21%	353		
CA **	78%	22%	3,064		
GA	78%	22%	323		
DC	73%	27%	184		
NCI Average	81%	19%	6,688		

#### Services or Supports Were Reduced, Suspended, or Terminated in the Past Year

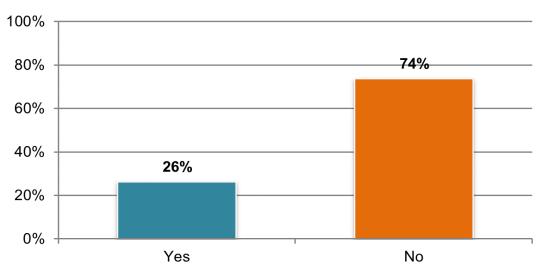


Table Q59. Have the services or supports that you or your family member received during the past year been reduced, suspended, or terminated?<sup>7</sup>

State	Yes	No	N	
Significantly Above Average				
FL	59%	41%	344	
Within Average	Range			
NC	34%	66%	199	
CA **	32%	68%	2,985	
WA	32%	68%	286	
AZ	30%	70%	318	
SC	29%	71%	198	
VA	23%	77%	124	
GA	21%	79%	313	
MD	21%	79%	298	
LA	20%	80%	303	
Significantly B	elow Average			
OK	19%	81%	319	
PA	17%	83%	313	
DC	16%	84%	191	
NH	14%	86%	337	
NCI Average	26%	74%	6,528	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The 'yes' response is the less desired response.

#### Service Reduction, Suspension, or Termination Affected the Family or the Family Member **Negatively**

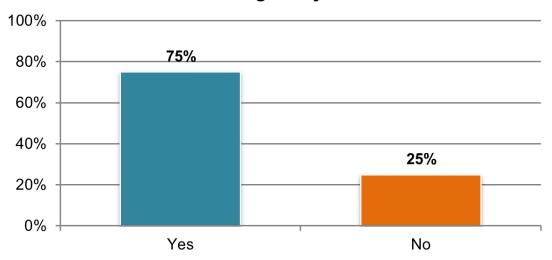


Table Q59a. If services or supports received by the family were reduced, suspended or terminated during the past year, did the reduction, suspension, or termination of these services or supports affect your family or your family member negatively?8

State	Yes	No	N		
Within Average	Within Average Range				
VA	86%	14%	22		
AZ	83%	17%	71		
NC	82%	18%	57		
FL	81%	19%	169		
PA	78%	22%	41		
CA	78%	22%	746		
SC	77%	23%	43		
DC	75%	25%	24		
OK	74%	26%	43		
WA	74%	26%	77		
MD	72%	28%	53		
GA	69%	31%	49		
LA	69%	31%	48		
NH	52%	48%	29		
NCI Average	75%	25%	1,472		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The 'yes' response is the less desired response.

# **II. NCI History and Activities**

This section briefly describes the history of the National Core Indicators and NCI surveys.

## **Overview of National Core Indicators**

In December 1996, the National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS), in collaboration with the Human Services Research Institute (HSRI), launched the Core Indicators Project. The aim of the project was to support state developmental disabilities authorities in the development and implementation of performance and outcome indicators—and related data collection strategies—so that they could measure service delivery system performance. This effort, now called National Core Indicators (NCI), strives to provide states with valid and reliable tools to help improve system performance and better serve people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. Moreover, NASDDDS' active sponsorship of NCI facilitates pooled knowledge, expertise, and resources among the states.

In 1997, 15 states convened to discuss the scope and content of a potential performance measurement framework. Directors and staff from these 15 states worked to identify the major domains and sub-domains of performance, indicators, measures, and data sources. The original 61 indicators, developed through a consensus process, were intended to provide a system-level "snapshot" of how well each state was performing. The states were guided by a set of criteria that was designed to select indicators that were:

- 1. Measurable
- 2. Related to issues the states had some ability to influence
- 3. Important to all individuals they served, regardless of level of disability or residential setting

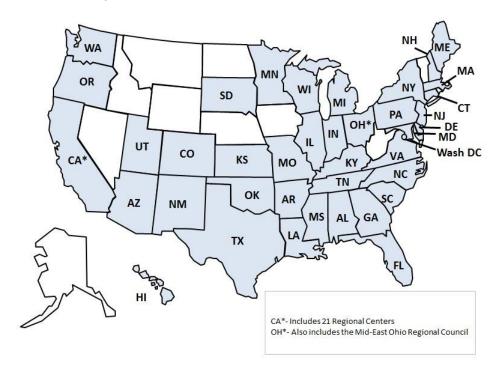
During this initial phase, data collection protocols were developed and field-tested, including a face-to-face Adult Consumer Survey (for individuals age 18 and older who were receiving services) and a mail-out Adult Family Survey (for families who have an adult family member living at home). Seven states volunteered to pilot test the indicators. Eight additional states served on the steering committee.

Since the initial field test, NCI has expanded its scope to include outcomes of services for children with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. In addition, NCI continues to develop and refine the indicators and expand state participation. For more information about NCI states, technical reports, and other resources, please visit <a href="http://www.nationalcoreindicators.org">http://www.nationalcoreindicators.org</a>.

#### **State Participation**

During the 2013-14 data collection cycle, 39 states, the District of Columbia, and 22 sub-state entities participated in NCI. State participation is entirely voluntary, and participating states are highlighted on the map below.

#### **NCI State Participation 2013-14**



#### **Sub-Domains and Concern Statements**

The following table lists the sub-domains and concern statements that compose the "Family Outcomes" domain.

#### **Family Survey Sub-Domains and Concern Statements**

Sub-Domain	Concern Statement
Information and Planning	Families/family members with disabilities have the information and support necessary to plan for their services and supports.
Choice & Control	Families/family members with disabilities determine the services and supports they receive and the individuals or agencies who provide them.
Access & Support Delivery	Families/family members with disabilities get the services and supports they need.
Community Connections	Family members with disabilities use integrated community services and participate in everyday community activities.
Satisfaction	Families/family members with disabilities receive adequate and satisfactory supports.
Outcomes	Individual and family supports make a positive difference in the lives of families.

#### **How NCI Data Are Used**

The Core Indicators provide information for quality management and are intended to be used in conjunction with other state data sources, such as risk management information, regional level performance data, results of provider monitoring processes, and administrative information gathered at the individual service coordination level. States typically use the indicator data to inform strategic planning, produce legislative reports, and prioritize quality improvement initiatives. Some states use NCI as a data source for supplemental performance measures in their home and community-based services waiver quality management systems and include the information in support of evidentiary reports to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Many states share the indicator data with stakeholder groups such as Quality Councils and use the stakeholder feedback to help set priorities and establish policy direction. It is also important to note that states do not use the information in a punitive way to sanction service providers, nor do they use the results to remediate individual issues (unless specifically requested by the participant or required by law as in the case of suspected abuse, neglect, or mistreatment).

#### **Caution and Limitations**

This report does not provide benchmarks for acceptable or unacceptable levels of performance. Rather, it is up to each state to decide whether its score or percentage is acceptable. States that fall into the "below average" tier on any scale or indicator are not necessarily underperforming; instead, this placement indicates only that the state's scale score or indicator percentage is significantly lower than the average of all states—where "significantly" means "not due to chance." The results tables throughout this report display states' scores relative to one another and show

which states tend to have similar results. Notably, the difference between a "below average" state and the average across the other states may be very small, and it is up to public managers, policy-makers, and other stakeholders to decide whether a state's result relative to the NCI Average suggests that changes or further investigation are necessary.

Moreover, the NCI Average should not be interpreted as defining "acceptable" levels of performance or satisfaction. Instead, it represents a multi-state "norm" that describes average levels of performance or satisfaction across the participating states. In some instances there are few significant differences among states; this denotes that the majority of states are performing similarly. Instances where several states' results are especially high (considerably above the average level) may indicate that some states are attaining a level of performance that could serve as a guidepost for other states.

Data from previous years are not presented in this report. Comparisons of results from year to year should be made with caution: even slight changes in wording or response options of certain questions may affect comparability of results from one year to the next; the mix of participating states differs slightly each year and may affect the NCI Averages; and states draw new samples each year rather than following the same group of individuals.

# III. Methodology

This section describes the protocol used by states to select families to participate in the survey, administer the survey, and convey the resulting data for analysis. It also includes information on the statistical methods used by NCI staff to aggregate and analyze the data.

## **Sampling & Administration**

States were asked to administer the Adult Family Survey by selecting a random sample of at least 1,000 families who:

- 1. Had an adult individual with a developmental disability living at home; and
- 2. Received at least one direct service or support other than service coordination.

All states mailed out a paper survey to families selected in their sample. A sample size of 1,000 was recommended with the expectation of a 40% return rate or greater (yielding 400 or more usable responses per state). However, most states decided to sample more than 1,000 families, expecting a lower response rate than 40%. A final sample size of 400 would guarantee a +/-5% margin of error and a 95% confidence level when interpreting the results. States with fewer than 1,000 potential respondent families were instructed to send surveys to all eligible families. With response rates lower than expected, we also included those states that submitted fewer than 400 surveys up to a margin of error of no greater than +/- 7%.9

## **Data Entry and Analysis**

Each state entered its survey responses into the Online Data Entry Survey Application (ODESA). All raw data files were reviewed for completeness, invalid responses were eliminated, and quality checks were performed. The data files were then cleaned and merged to create the national dataset.

Data were considered invalid, and therefore excluded, on the following two bases:

- 1. The respondent indicated the individual with a developmental disability lived outside the family home.
- 2. Demographic information was entered into the file but no survey questions were answered.

<sup>9</sup> See "Response Rates" section for information on total surveys mailed and received by states as well as each state's margin of error.

Statistical significance testing was conducted on each state's "yes" or "always" response compared to the NCI average<sup>10</sup>; significance is shown at the .01 level and cited in tables. Demographic data and data on services received were not tested for statistically significant differences.

#### **Response Rates**

During 2013-2014, 13 states and the District of Columbia administered the Adult Family Survey and submitted a valid sample size for comparison—a sample that would yield a 95% confidence level with +/- 7% (7.49% or less) margin of error; their data are included in this report. The table below shows the number of surveys each state mailed, the number of usable surveys returned, and the response rate for each state.

**Adult Family Survey: State Response Rates** 

State	Surveys Mailed <sup>11</sup>	Usable Surveys Returned	Response Rate
AZ	1,000	372	37%
CA	16,500	3,772	23%
DC	600	250	42%
FL	1,700	418	25%
GA	1,500	413	28%
LA	1,500	356	24%
MD	1,000	372	37%
NC	1,400	231	17%
NH	1,000	385	39%
ОК	1,594	391	25%
PA	861	407	47%
SC	1,200	267	22%
VA	489	152	31%
WA	1,250	337	27%
NCI Average	31,594	8,123	30%

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  The NCI Average is the sum of all state averages divided by the total number of states.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Some numbers may be approximates.