

Lifecycle of a Plan Goal



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What is an Olmstead Plan Goal?

An Olmstead Plan goal is a way to measure the success of the Minnesota Olmstead Plan.



Minnesota State Agencies work toward the goals.



Why are goals important?

Goals help us see whether the State is doing better for people with disabilities.



Goals hold Minnesota State Agencies accountable.



What is the lifecycle of a goal?



Community concerns drive goals

First, the community shares a concern during a public engagement session.



This includes concerns about:

- Individual choice and decision making
- Housing of their choice
- Employment
- Integrated education
- Transportation
- Health care and healthy living
- Positive supports and crisis services
- Community engagement
- Freedom from abuse and neglect
- Other areas not currently in the Olmstead Plan

The State creates a goal (1)

Second, State Agencies create a goal around the concern.

When making a goal, they use guidance from:

Americans with
Disabilities Act

Olmstead court
case decision

U.S. Department
of Justice

The State creates a goal (2)

A goal must be *measurable*, which means it:



Is a commitment to increase supports and help more people live in integrated settings;



Is realistic and achievable;



Has strategic activities and set outcomes;



Has specific, reasonable timeframes; and

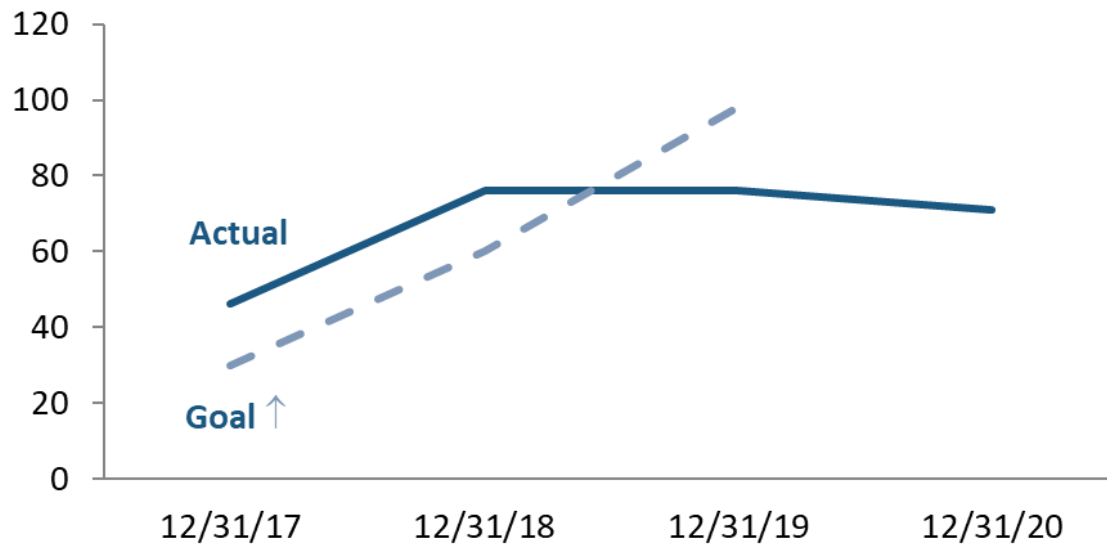


Is based on work funded by State Agencies.

The State tracks progress

Third, State Agencies track progress toward the goal. They report the data at least every year and show progress in graphs.

Number of Peer Support Specialists employed by mental health service providers



Why are graphs important?

Graphs help us:

Show what the State should be doing differently.

Better understand how well Agencies are doing at reaching the goals.

Decide if we're measuring progress in a way that makes sense.

The goal might change



Sometimes the goal target or the goal language isn't quite right.

Then the goal needs to change so it does a better job of meeting the community's needs.



How goals change

To see if things need to change, the Olmstead Subcabinet and Leadership Forum regularly review goals.

Every 3 months	Every year
Review the goal data 	Update the goals 

The goal is reached!



Finally, when the data show that the State has met its goal,
the goal is labeled complete!

What happens after completion?

A complete goal means:

The community
should be better off.



The State removes
the goal from the
Olmstead Plan.



The cycle repeats itself

As the community raises new concerns,
the State will create new goals.



Thank you!

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