Independent Facilitator Biography Form

1. Name: Sandee Koski

2. Phone Number

a. Home: (734) 580-2101

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4. Organizational Affiliations: None

5. Specific areas of Expertise: Person Centered Planning to support self-determination and community living. Specific interest in supporting young adults and their families as they plan for the years following high school (18 yrs to 30 yrs)

6. What unique attributes do you bring to your role as an Independent Facilitator? I bring training and experience as a Speech and Language Pathologist, who worked with young adults who survived a traumatic brain injury. I am the parent of a young adult with a developmental disability and have supported him as he makes his way in his community. I have 20 years of experience educating people about Individualized Education Plans (IEP) and other issues related to Special Education.

7. Why do you want to serve as an Independent Facilitator?

To support people with developmental disabilities to have a life based on their individual strengths, interests and preference and not based on what a service a system can provide. To support families as they do their best to create opportunities they can last well into the future.

8. Accommodations

- a. Are you fluent in languages other than English? No
- b. Do you require any accommodations? No

9. What times and geographic areas are you available to facilitate?

Livingston, Washtenaw. Time: flexible based on my work schedule.

Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute, Wayne State University Independent Facilitator Level of Competency: I (Trained)

Level 1: Independent Facilitator has completed the Independent Facilitator training provided by the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute, Wayne State University.