Citation: *45 CFR § 1329.14 - Establishment of a SILC*

**§ 1329.14 Establishment of a SILC.**

**(a)** To be eligible to receive assistance under this part, each State shall establish and maintain a SILC that meets the requirements of section 705 of the Act, including composition and appointment of members.

**(b)** The SILC shall not be established as an entity within a State agency, including the DSE. The SILC shall be independent of and autonomous from the DSE and all other State agencies.

*DSE: Designated State entity (DSE) is the State agency designated in the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) that acts on behalf of the State to provide the functions described in title VII, chapter 1 of the Act.*

**Autonomy**:

The DSE will not interfere with the business or operations of the SILC that include but are not limited to:

1. Expenditure of federal funds - Develop and manage own budget and expenses,
2. Meeting schedules and agendas,
3. SILC board business,
4. Voting actions of the SILC Board,
5. Personnel actions – select and supervise own staff (even if assigned by DSE),
6. Fulfill responsibilities in the Rehabilitation Act, as amended,
7. Comply with laws and regulations,
8. Allowable travel,
9. Trainings and;

The DSE will fully cooperate with the SILC in the nomination and appointment process for the SILC in the State.

The Administration for Community Living determines whether the State shows compliance with the rule regarding the SILC’s autonomy. Compliance with all the SILC and State Indicators and Assurances as required in order for the State to receive the Part B and Part C awards. Federal Funding is **$2,810,925.**

Federal Part B funds $338,716

Federal Part C funds $1,257,196

Federal CARES Act Funding $1,215,013

**Total Federal Funding $2,810,925\***

\*Source citation – Submitted Colorado State Plan for Independent Living 2021-2023.