

# Where Are You Today In The Life Planning Process?

## Planning Checklist

Imagine for a few minutes that you are no longer able to care for the person with the disability due to illness or death. Will the person enjoy the same comfortable standard of living that he or she now enjoys?

	Yes	No
Do you have a written plan to let others know what you want in the future?		
Have you asked someone to serve as an advocate or guardian?		
Do you understand all of the government benefit programs that are available for basic care and supervision?		
Have you set aside any additional funds, so the person will have a comfortable life style?		
Have you prepared written instructions for the person's final arrangements?		
Do you and your spouse have current Wills which will exclude your child with a disability?		
Do you have a Special Needs Trust to manage current and future resources?		
Have you met with relatives and friends to let them know about your plan?		
Have you reviewed your plan in the last year?		
Do you feel that you have done everything possible for the person's future?		

Unless you have answered "Yes" to all of the above, it's probably time to bring in a Life Planning Team.