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COMMUNITY SPECIALIST ASSESSMENT

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Individual Receiving Services: _____ **Designated Representative** *(If applicable)* : _____

A Community Specialist is used when specialized supports are needed to assist the individual in achieving outcomes as identified in the ISP. The services of the Community Specialist assist the individual and the individual's caregivers to design and implement specialized programs to enhance self direction, independent living skills, community integration, social, leisure and recreational skills.

	No Support needed	Details regarding the type of support needed:
professional observation and assessment		
individualized program design and implementation		
consultation with caregivers		
Provide support advocating for the individual		
assisting the individual in locating and accessing services and supports		
Assist the individual and the individual's caregivers to design and implement specialized programs to enhance self-direction		
Assist the individual and the individual's caregivers to design and implement specialized programs to enhance independent living skills		
Assist the individual and the individual's caregivers to design and implement specialized programs to enhance community integration, social, leisure and recreational skills.		



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Goals/Outcome and Objectives:

Current Situation (Relationship based supports, Technology, Community recourse and other eligibility based supports tried:

Field of Expertise needed:

Training/Licensee/Certification which qualifies the Community Specialist as an Expert:

Provide professional observation and assessment, individualized program design and implementation and consultation with caregivers:

time limited support _____ hours per year; Ongoing support: _____ hour per month;

Desired Outcome:

Current Situation (Relationship based supports, Technology, Community recourse and other eligibility based supports tried:

Field of Expertise needed:

Training/Licensee/Certification which qualifies the Community Specialist as an Expert:

Provide support advocating for the individual, and assisting the individual in locating and accessing services and supports:

time limited support _____ hours per year; Ongoing support: _____ hour per month;

Desired Outcome:

Current Situation (Relationship based supports, Technology, Community recourse and other eligibility based supports tried:

Field of Expertise needed:

Training/Licensee/Certification which qualifies the Community Specialist as an Expert:

Assist the individual and the individual's caregivers to design and implement specialized programs to enhance self direction, independent living skills, community integration, social, leisure and recreational skills.

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Training requirement maintained by the agency

The Community Specialist must meet one of the following education and experience requirements:

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited university plus one year experience
 - Registered Nurse (with an active license in good standing, issued by the Missouri State Board of Nursing)
 - Associate's degree from an accredited university or college plus three years of experience.
- Proof of degree/experience must be maintained by the employer in the employee's personnel file.

Field of Expertise:

Training/Licensee/Certification which qualifies the Community Specialist as an Expert: