“Who’s in Control?”
Control over community services for people with disabilities

Words to Know
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

The part of the U.S. government that runs Medicaid.

Focus group

When people meet to talk about something.

Home and community-based services (HCBS)

Getting LTSS in the community. We also call these “community services.”
Institutions

Places where a lot of disabled people live. People living in institutions did not decide to live there. They usually can’t leave when they want to.

Long-term services and supports (LTSS)

Services that help people with disabilities live our everyday lives. Some kinds of LTSS are job coaches and in-home helpers.
Medicaid

A health care program in the United States. Medicaid helps people with disabilities get health care.

Self Advocates Becoming Empowered (SABE)

A group for people with intellectual disabilities in the U.S. They do advocacy for disability rights.
Quality measures

Questions people can ask. They can help figure out if a health care service is good or bad. Medicaid uses quality measures.

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