

Making a Complicated Report Simple



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Services

Developmental Disabilities, Mental Health, Disabilities

Location

New York State

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Situation: Spending Weeks Completing a Funder's Report

Independent Living is a consumer-directed organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for individuals with disabilities. One of their primary funders requires data reports that took weeks for staff to complete, since the report's categories didn't match the categories found in their documentation. As a result, staff were spending hours running reports out of various modules, renaming data elements, and manually compiling data to fill in the ACCES-VR reports.

Solution: Mapping Data to the Right Categories

With InSights, Independent Living now has custom dashboards that help them complete the data reports much more efficiently. Their staff met with the Foothold team to look at the ACCES-VR reports in detail. Our analytics expert helped them map their services and demographics data to the exact categories required in their funder's report. By mapping data to the right categories on the backend, Independent Living can now easily see all the data they need in a couple easy-to-understand dashboards.

"The Foothold team went above and beyond, to help get accurate data and tangible cost savings for us."

II. Disability Data

A. Cognitive

Mapped Condition	# of unique clientidnum <input type="checkbox"/>
Traumatic and other brain injuries	43
Learning Disability	37
Autism	9
Intellectual Disability	5
Other cognitive disabilities	5

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Benefits: Weeks of Time Saved

With data already mapped to the right categories, filling out the ACCES-VR reports no longer takes weeks to complete. With this streamlined new process, future staff can be easily trained on how to fill out the report. Knowledge no longer sits with only one person at the organization.

V. County(s) Served

ACCES-VR

residence-county	# of unique clientidnum		
			MAR
			NAF
	SAF		
Albany	4		
Bronx	1		
Delaware	1		
Dutchess	36		3
DUTCHESS	1		
Erie			1
Llyod			1
Monmouth	1		

During the process, Independent Living was also able to identify typos in their data, as these errors were easy to see once data was pulled into their dashboards. By making the full process less manual and time-consuming, they were able to improve the accuracy of their data and reporting.