Objective 3.1 Current service areas do not become unserved or underserved to a greater degree, and previously unserved consumers in North Carolina are served. At a minimum, the current level of funding for Centers for Independent Living is maintained, and funding increases are the optimum outcome.

Activities:

\* Annually, the Statewide Independent Living Council and the Centers for Independent Living facilitate a minimum of 8 meetings to educate legislators about Centers for Independent Living, and to advocate for state funding of the Centers for Independent Living of North Carolina.

\* Annually, the Statewide Independent Living Council maintains Title VII Part B funding levels for Part B and Part C Centers.

\* Annually, the Centers for Independent Living provide a minimum of 1,000 Information and Referrals. In addition, the Centers for Independent Living of North Carolina annually provide a minimum of 24 services each of advocacy, peer support and independent living skills.

\* Annually, the Statewide Independent Living Council coordinates Mental Health training for Centers for Independent Living staff and Statewide Independent Living Council members with key partners from mental health organizations.