

Charting the LifeCourse Domain Taxonomy

LIFE DOMAINS	SUB-DOMAINS	TOPICS
Daily Life & Employment What a person does as part of everyday life – education and training, employment, volunteering; routines, responsibilities and skills for individual and family life.	Education	 Childcare, Camps and Afterschool Programs School (general ed, special ed/504, honors) Higher Education/Vocational Training Lifelong Learning (senior center, continuing ed) Language and Literacy
	Employment/ Meaningful Day	 Career Exploration and Pre-vocational Job and Career Path Meaningful Day (volunteer, stay-at-home, caregiver, day program) Personal Finance (budgeting, income, expenses, debt) Retirement
	Individual & Family Life	 Accommodations and Everyday Technology Home Life and Routines Financial Literacy, Income, Budgeting and Paying Bills Parenting and Intergenerational Supports Family Traditions and Culture
Community Living Where and how someone lives - housing and living options, universal design, and modifications; transportation options, neighborhood considerations and community access.	Living Options	 Housing Options and Quality of Housing Universal Design Living Expenses Home Modifications and Environmental Technology Housing Stability and Aging in Place
	Transportation	 Accessible and Affordable Transportation Walkability Mass Transit Lines/Stations Vehicle Modification Driving and Driver's License
	Neighborhood & Community	 Parks, Walking Trails and Nature Internet and Other Utility Access Environmental Conditions Neighborhood and Build Environment Businesses, Banks and Retail Outlets
Social & Spirituality Having friendships, social and personal relationships, leisure and recreational activities; exploring faith or spiritual aspects of life.	Personal Relationships	 Close Family and Friends Peers, Co-workers and Casual Relationships Virtual Connections (social media, groups, chat) Dating/Intimate Relationships Pets and Other Animals
	Leisure & Recreation	 Extra-curriculars, Clubs, and Groups Service, Civic or Social Clubs Hobbies, Sports and Entertainment Vacation and Travel Rest and Relaxation
	Spiritual Enrichment	 Meditation, Self-reflection and Prayer Personal Growth for Meaning of Life Rituals and Practices Focusing on Higher Powers Places of Worship (temple, synagogue, church, mosque) Faith-based Community or Organizations

LIFE DOMAINS	SUB-DOMAINS	TOPICS
Healthy Living Managing and accessing health care – medical, mental, and behavioral health, sexual and reproductive health; long-term health needs; wellness, fitness, nutrition and selfcare.	Wellness & Self-Care	 Preventive Care and Lifestyle Choices Fitness, Physical Activity and Inactivity Healthy Food (access, options, nutrition) Sexuality, Reproductive and Gender Health Managing Stress and Mental Health
	Comprehensive Health	 Primary Care, Specialty Care and Rehabilitation Hearing, Vision, Oral, Home Health and Behavioral Services Management of Chronic Conditions, Disability and Transitions Health Costs, Benefits and Insurance Coordinating Health Care Needs and Services
	Long-Term Supports	 Navigating Resources and Options (choice, care/supports planning) Supports for Instrumental and Other Activities of Daily Living Home and Community-based Services (personal assistance, technology) Long-term Care (supported or assisted living, skilled nursing) Palliative or End of Life/Hospice Care
Advocacy & Engagement Determining how one's own life is lived, making choices, setting goals, speaking up, leading and partnering; Building valued roles, having meaningful experiences, and participating in community.	Self- Determination	 Marking Informed Decisions (problem-solving, goal setting) Understanding and Communicating One's Needs Directing Life and Speaking Up for Self Taking Control and Responsibility of One's Life Building Relationships and Connections
	Advocacy & Leadership	 Supporting Others to Voice Views, Wishes and Protect Rights Leading a Group, Organization or Other Change Standing Up Against Discrimination or Disadvantage Partnering with Professionals to Enhance Services and Organizations Advocating for Policy or Legislative Changes
	Community Action	 Participating and Having Meaningful Roles in the Community Fostering Inclusion and Belonging of Other Community Members Service Learning or Community-wide Change Volunteering, Community Service or Philanthropy for Causes or Others Voting and Civic Engagement in Politics
Safety & Security Staying safe from abuse, exploitation and injury; Preparing for emergency or disaster situations; legal rights with regard to decision making, end of life, and other legal issues.	Personal Safety	 Free from Threat, Harm or Crime Internet, Social Media and Technology Safety Preventing Personal Injury (falls risks, hazards, self-harm) Awareness and Prevention of Bullying, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Accessing Child and Adult Protective Services and Elder Justice
	Public Safety	 Safe Housing, Roads, Communities and Environments Law Enforcement and First Responders (911, fire fighters, EMTs) Crime, Violence and Social Disorder Prevention Emergency and Disaster Preparedness (planning, registries) Weather, Flooding and Fires
	Legal & Financial	Criminal and Legal Justice (rights, discrimination) Legal Services and Protections Advance Planning and Decision-making Support Financial Literacy (budgeting, investing, savings) Personal Finance (income, benefits, wills/trusts, ABLE accounts)

