



Definition of LON Terminology

Purpose Codes (PC) indicate the type of Intellectual Disability/Related Condition (ID/RC) assessment.

- Purpose Code 2(PC2) = Enrollment/ Initial LON
- Purpose Code 3 (PC3) = Renewal LON upon the expiration of the ID/RC
- Purpose Code 4 (PC4) = Change LON on Existing Assessment

Assigning or changing LON on a PC2, PC3, or PC4 will require supporting documentation.

LON 1 (Intermittent)

- Inventory for Client and Agency Planning (ICAP) resource Service Level of 7, 8, or 9
- ICAP Service Score of 70 and above
- Common characteristics -
 - does not require 24-hour care and demonstrates very independent living skills, with no significant maladaptive behavior noted;
 - staff intervention is typically reminders with some guidance required; and
 - may live in an apartment with support, at home with family, in a host home/companion residence or receive Supervised Living in a group home but do not require the level of supervision or assistance provided in Residential Support.

LON 5 (Limited)

- ICAP Service Level of 4, 5, or 6
- ICAP Service Score of 40 to 69
- Common characteristics:
 - has skills ranging from fairly independent to some personal care reminders/guidance required;

- behavior intervention may be required or hands-on personal care assistance;
- may have psychiatric disorders but are fairly controlled with medications;
- staff intervention varies from reminders to 24-hour guidance and support; and
- may be living in an apartment with support, with natural or foster care families, or in a shift pattern residence setting.

LON 8 (Extensive)

- ICAP Service Level 2 or 3
- ICAP Service Score of 20 to 39
- Common characteristics:
 - has skills ranging from no self-help skills (due to physical limitations) to demonstrating some basic self-help skills;
 - staff intervention includes personal care assistance utilizing hands-on techniques;
 - other individuals with more skills may bump from the limited category to this category due to behavioral intervention or medical issues; and
 - this individual typically lives in all possible living arrangements.

LON 6 (Pervasive)

- ICAP Service Level of 1
- ICAP Service Score of 19 or below
- Common characteristics:
 - may have limited self-help skills or some independent basic self-help skills, but may demonstrate challenging behavior as well;
 - usually will have a behavioral program or intervention strategies in place regardless of the absence of self-help skills;
 - may require 1:1 supervision or care, though not 16 hours a day for safety reasons;
 - other individuals with more skills may bump from the extensive category to

this category due to behavioral intervention; and

- all living environments are noted with this LON.

LON 9 (Pervasive Plus)

- Any ICAP Service Level or Service Score
- Individual requires 1:1 supervision for at least 16 hours per day due to dangerous behaviors
- Common Characteristics:
 - varied skill levels may occur;
 - this is less than one percent of the population;
 - require staff supervision 16 hours a day during waking hours to assure safety or the safety of others due to life-threatening behavior;
 - due to the threatening nature of this behavior, most live in shift pattern residential homes;
 - significant documentation supporting this LON assignment must be submitted by the provider in order to be approved; and
 - Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) staff must review all initial LON 9 requests.