

CONTINUA OF CULTURAL BELIEFS RELATED TO TRANSITION

For each of the continuum below, place an F to indicate where you believe the focus family of your small group falls in terms of their cultural beliefs. Place a Y on each continuum to indicate where you fall on each continuum. Reflect on the extent of your agreement or disagreement with the focus family and the implications for developing a partnership with the focus family in enhancing self-determination and engaging in transition planning.

Has no dreams and aspirations for the future; very pessimistic orientation	Has many dreams and aspirations for the future; very optimistic orientation
Believes that fate determines the future	Believes that hard work determines the future
Not goal-oriented in their planning	Persists in achieving goals
Doesn't adhere to concepts of time or time management	Focuses on issues of time and attempts to manage time accordingly
Does not trust professionals they don't know well	Has high trust in professionals and professional expertise
Believes that the oldest in the family should make decisions for others in the family	Believes that each individual in the family can make decisions and choices
Believes that family members will always maintain strong family bonds and may live with extended family members as a natural part of family life.	Believes in maximum independence of children and understands that as children grow older, they will move away from their families and start families of their own.
Believes that certain members of the family do not need to work; possesses a poor work ethic	Has strong work ethic; Believes that every member of the family should contribute to the greater good of the family and should work in society.