Mentor Development Pathway Example

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This outlines the "development pathway" for volunteer mentors at the ______. It is intended as a guiding framework to be used by the volunteer and the Volunteer Coordinator. There are 4 "training blocks" (see 1, 2, 3, 4) that can be combined and accomplished individually or in a group. Being a good mentor requires ongoing learning and proactive work on the part of the volunteer.

Step	Owner	Action	How?	Date
Intro E-Mail	Volunteer Coordinator	 Send a "getting started" e-mail: role description, Volunteer Handbook, link to Resource Page and date of Orientation. 	Reading of E-Mail	
General Orientation (1)	Volunteer Coordinator	 Attend LLC orientation (1:1 or small group). Get copies of the Coaching Manual and Customized Care Menu. Pre-reading: Volunteer Handbook and web site. 	Live event or video	
Overview (2)	Lead Volunteer	 Overview of the Mentor role using the Mentor Resource Page. Pre-reading: Mentor Role Description and Mentor Resource Page. 	Live event or video	
Sponsor Assigned (Optional)	Volunteer Coordinator	 New Mentor is assigned an experienced volunteer as a "development sponsor". 	1:1 Meetings	
In-Depth (3)	Lead Volunteer	 In-depth look at the Mentor role with an emphasis on the documents and weekly process. Pre-reading: various Mentee Folder documents. 	Live event or video	
Mentoring 101 (4)	Life Solutions Network	 Mentor attends Mentoring 101 (hosted by the Life Solutions Network) and gets a copy of the slides and Mentor Skill Tool. Pre-reading: Skills Assessment Tool. 	Live event or video	
Self- Assessment	Volunteer	The volunteer assesses 1) their ability to perform each element on the role description and 2) each skill on the Mentor Skill Tool.	Reflection	
Coaching	Volunteer	The volunteer has their first 1:1 coaching experience.	Experience	
Feedback	Volunteer Coordinator	The Mentee provides feedback regarding the overall experience and the skills of the CSC.	Feedback Tool	
Assessment	Volunteer Coordinator	The Mentor Coordinator has a 1:1 discussion about the skill self-assessment and the feedback from the Candidate.	1:1 Meeting	

Indicated Actions and Questions:

- Post Orientation slides on CSC Resource Page.
- Develop Candidate feedback tool.
- Align on how best to ascertain mentor capability. The current process has two elements: CSC self-assessment of skills and feedback from the 1st supported Candidate.
- Discuss use of terms with Tami: Volunteer Coordinator vs. CSC Coordinator.
- Where do Care Planning offers get covered?