

Meeting Minutes

CMS Final Rule on Medicaid HCBS

Subject	Initial Meeting	Date/Time	February 26, 2014 /3:30 PM - 5 PM		
Location	DHHS Jefferson Square, J11 Conference Room				
Attendees					
SC HHS	Y/N	SC HHS	Y/N	Protection & Advocacy	Y/N
Pete Liggett	Y	Brenda Hyleman	N	Gloria Prevost	Y
Kelly Eifert	Y	Alexis Martin	N		
Shealy Reibold	Y				
Rick Hepfer	Y				
George Maky	Y	DDSN	Y/N		
Kara Wagoner-Lewis	Y	Beverly Buscemi	Y		
Anita Atwood	Y	Susan Beck	Y		
Mike Reynolds	Y	Janet Priest	Y		
Jocelin Dawson	Y	Jacob Chorey	Y		
Cindy Pedersen	Y	Tom Waring	Y		
Lisa Ragland	Y	Dave Goodell	Y		
Belinda Adams	Y	DMH	Y/N		
Sherry Everett	Y	Ligia Latiff-Bolet	Y		
AnnMarie Dwyer	Y				
Jennifer Gilmore	N				

Agenda			
No.	Topic	Owner	References/handouts
1.	Introduction	Pete Liggett	
2.	Identification of Issues		
3.	Timelines and Transition Plan		
4.	Scope of Work		
5.	Other		

Key Points Discussed		
No.	Topic	Highlights
1.	Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pete welcomed group; Discussed intentionality of group to address changes needed due to CMS Final Rule • Views this as an opportunity to make improvements • We should look at others states to see what they are doing • Beverly noted that this does not lessen the impact of Olmstead but dovetails with it as evidenced by the interagency cooperation between CMS and DOJ
2.	Identification of Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline for submission of Transition Plan • Assessment of Residential settings where HCB services provided

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of other day facilities where HCB services provided • Populations impacted • Medicaid Policy/service authority • Person-centered planning • Rate structure for services • 1915 (i) service authority • Financial impact • Quality assurance processes/systems • Lease agreements for residential placements (provider owned properties) • Bigger question –how far beyond our waivers do we want to extend our plan/change? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mentally ill ○ CRCFs ○ Other agencies to partner with to affect this change? • SC School for Deaf and Blind • Systematic assessment of level of need for individuals • Service –Home Supports- can we utilize/expand to help meet requirements? • Impacts to systems (like IT for billing, financial reporting, etc)
3.	Other issues/considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beverly noted that this rule is a philosophical shift in that the burden is placed on the states to prove settings are integrated into the community • Advocacy groups not all in agreement with new requirements of Final Rule • Pete wants to make sure we work with the Provider community to assist with this transition • Pete would like this group to look beyond just waiver populations and requirements; perhaps even beyond the Medicaid population – culture change in SC (ex: Prison population, homeless population, etc)
4.	Others to Invite	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vocational Rehabilitation • Office on Aging – Lt. Gov. • AARP • Joy Jay/Phil Emery • CRCF Association • Consumer(s) • Provider(s) • Tim Rogers

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelia Chavis & Office of Communications • SC School of Deaf & Blind
5.	Transition Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a master transition plan that the state must submit that addresses how it will come into compliance with the Final Rule for all of its Waivers • The timeframe for submitting that Master plan impacted by submission of Waiver renewals or amendments after the effective date (March 17, 2014) • ID/RD Waiver renewal and PDD Waiver Renewal should happen at end of September • CLTC may also be submitting waiver amendments - related to the Duals Demonstration – at the end of September also • Those renewals or amendments must include a transition plan as it relates to those specific waivers • 120 days later after submission of the renewals/amendments (whichever is first), DHHS must submit the Master Transition Plan for the state (all 1915 Waivers) • Need to review services for all waivers to see what should be addressed to come into compliance? • How do we tackle these tasks?
6.	Scope of work	Divide issues into tasks; create subgroups to address

Action Items			
No.	Action Item	Owner	Target Completion Date
1.	Create small group to organize issues/tasks before next meeting	Pete/Kelly	3/7/2014
2.	Invite other stakeholders identified to next meeting	Kelly	3/5/2014

Next Meeting: Monday, March 10th, 9:30 AM – 11 AM, DHHS Jefferson Sq., J10 Conference Rm.