

Mid-Month Update

CMS Final Rule on Medicaid HCBS

| Update Items – September 17, 2014 | | |
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| No. | Topic | Highlights |
| 1. | Project Management | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal DHHS Project management team meeting to establish next steps for next phase of this project (Master Transition Plan) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Working on approach to policy review regarding HCBS settings ○ Kelly working on Statewide Transition Plan draft; will send out to group for review by the end of the month |
| 2. | PRIME updates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This program is to design coordinated care efforts for individuals eligible for both Medicare & Medicaid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We have posted proposed Prime Phase II amendment changes to the agency and prime websites and notification of Prime Phase II proposed amendments was sent to the listserv of interested stakeholders, as of August 29th ○ MCAC Advisement provided 9/10 |
| 3. | Facilities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group met on 9/10/14 • Group is awaiting feedback from CMS concerning the Facility Assessment, and will be piloting the assessment afterwards. • Group working on draft of separate Day Facilities Assessment. The draft will also be sent to CMS for feedback. • The assessments will be part of a plan that includes a self-assessment, independent assessment review, site visits, and remediation to bring about compliance with the HCBS Rule. • Next meeting: 9/29/14, 10 a.m. |
| 4. | Communications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group met 9/2/14 • 3 of 8 informational meetings already held on HCBS Rule <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Individual emails with flyer for meetings sent out to Providers, Advocacy groups, to distribute to their colleagues, networks and share with beneficiaries (flyer attached to email) ○ Anderson was 9/16; approx. 25-30 people in attendance ○ Final 4 meetings: “Official” public meetings for Master HCBS Transition Plan (November – December) ○ Will host a webinar as well on 11/19 that will be posted online through the public comment period. • Next meeting: 9/30/14, 3 p.m. |

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| 5. | 1915 (i) Group | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 1915i service array/Final Rule workgroup <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Met 9/11/14 to go over the service array ○ Will meet again 9/19 to discuss the findings of our sub-work groups: Serious and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI), Substance Use Disorder (SUD), and Intellectually Disabled/Related Disabilities (ID/RD). The sub-work groups will present and we will make plans as to how to proceed |
| 6. | General Updates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMS held an All-State Call on the content of the Statewide Transition Plan content – and the new Public Notice requirements listed in the Rule. Both powerpoints from the call are attached. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CMS stated that the content of the Statewide Transition Plan must be settings only. Any other information included in the plan will be rejected and sent back to the state to fix. They are not authorized to review and approve any plan with anything other than how states will transition their settings to compliance. ○ The plan must include an assessment of a state’s regulations, standards, policies, licensing requirements, and other provider requirements to ensure they meet the settings requirements. |

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 2, 2014, 10 a.m. @ SCDHHS, **Conference Room J7***

****Please note that the location of the meeting has changed – and we will only meet from 10 – 11 a.m. on October 2 due to scheduling conflicts.***

Future Meetings:

Thursdays, 10 – 11:30 a.m. @ SCDHHS, Conference Room J11

November 6

December 4

January 8

February 5