

Advocates' Communication Meeting Summary

April 25, 2014

10:30am-12:30pm

OMNI Institute, The Logan Building: 899 Logan Street, 6th Floor, Denver, CO 80203

Community Invitees Present:		State Staff Invitees Present:	
Carol Meredith		Joanne Svenningsen - DIDD	
Kacey Daniel			
Gerrie Frohne			
Grace Ormsby			
Julie Farrar			
Lisa Franklin			
*Attended by Phone			

Agenda Item	Status/Decisions Made	Assignments/Commitments
Purpose of the Meetings	The purpose of the meeting is to ensure ongoing, transparent, and collaborative communication between the Division for Developmental Disabilities (DDD) and the advocacy stakeholders	
I. Introductions and Review of last month's meeting summary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone introduced themselves. • No changes to the summary. 	
II. New Business A. Support Level Process: Appeals	Support Level Process: Appeals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed Appeals process for Support Levels for Adult Waivers found in 16.654(D). • Staff to research ongoing reporting of metrics around SIS Redetermination process. 	For questions about the SIS/Support Level Process, Please contact Lori Williams <p style="text-align: center;"> Lori Williams 303-866-5160 Lori.Williams@state.co.us 1570 Grant Street Denver, CO 80203 </p>

<p>B. NCI Update</p>	<p>NCI Update & Process Overview</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• NCI is nationally recognized tool for evaluation of systems providing care for persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.• Project in Colorado is 73% complete.• On target to complete all surveys by June.• Clients randomly selected by Division data staff.• Participation is voluntary and interviews are private unless the client requests otherwise.• The random sample for this survey included all clients 18 years of age or older, receiving SLS, DD or state SLS services, who are receiving case management services and at least one additional service. Regional Center clients who met the above criteria were also included in this sample.• Based on the above criteria, DIDD data and research staff utilized the SQL Server, random row number function, to select the sample.• The CCBs provided the names from the random sample and are assisting DIDD in collecting the background information from the CCB records and scheduling interviews.• At no time shall case managers be present during the interviews, and the case management agency is not provided information specific to the interview.• The information obtained during the interview is entered into the pool of data in the NCI database, Odessa, and does not include the client's name, SS#, Medicaid number, etc.• The Odessa system is owned and operated and data is analyzed by NCI.• The information contained within is distributed by NCI.• A unique client ID is selected by DDD and entered into the NCI database.• Only the DDD NCI team can connect each ID number to an actual person.	<p>Questions about NCI:</p> <p>Yasmin Gardner 303-866-5150 Yasmin.Gardner@state.co.us 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203</p>
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<p>E. Dental Benefit in the State Plan</p>	<p>Dental Benefit in the State Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective April 1, 2014, Medicaid enrolled adult clients age 21 years and over have access to basic adult dental preventive, diagnostic and minor restorative services and treatment planning! • Access to the more comprehensive benefit, which includes services that require prior-authorization, such as root canals, crowns, partial dentures and periodontal scaling and root planing, will become available July, 1, 2014, once the Department hires an Administrative Services Organization to manage dental benefit utilization and assist us to build a robust Medicaid dental provider network. • Division granted transition period from CMS until July 1, working out how to operationalize benefit and work with contractor on processes around waiver benefit administration. • Division committed to ensuring continuity of care for clients in mid-treatment. • Enhanced rates for the IDD population will be offered. • A contractor will be engaged to assist in provider outreach. 	<p>Questions about the State Plan Dental Benefit:</p> <p>Michele Craig 303-866-5147 Michele.Craig@state.co.us 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203</p>
<p>F. Personal Care in the State Plan</p>	<p>Personal Care in the State Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCPF will be implementing Personal Care as a benefit of EPSDT (State Plan) • Timeline is 1st quarter of FY 2013-14. • DIDD working on project plan and coordinating closely with State Plan, LTSS leads to create and implement work plan. • More information and dates will be provided as the work plan is solidified. 	<p>Questions about Personal Care in EPSDT:</p> <p>Sheila Peil 303-866-5156 Sheila.Peil@state.co.us 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203</p>
<p>G. Consumer Directed Support Services</p>	<p>Consumer Directed Support Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DIDD targeting July 1, 2015 for start of CDASS. • Need budget action to move funding from Home Health (State Plan) to Health maintenance in Waivers. • All movement toward Self Direction will necessarily involve PDPPC. 	<p>Questions about Consumer Direction:</p> <p>Roberta Aceves 303-866-5145 Roberta.Aceves@state.co.us 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203</p>

<p>IV. Budget & Enrollments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expenditures roughly in line with last year, with expected increases in CES and SLS due to increased enrollments released into the system. • Enrollments increasing as CCBs continue to enroll clients. • Lower/unchanging SLS enrollments likely due to churn as clients accept slots on DD Waiver. 	<p>Questions about the Budget & Enrollment Tables::</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Emily Blanford 303-866-5141 Emily.blanford@state.co.us 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203</p>
<p>V. Adjournment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next meeting will be May 22, 2014 from 1030AM-1230 PM at the OMNI Institute. 	