

HCBS Waiver Redesign Workgroup Meeting Summary

July 28, 2014

Division for Developmental Disabilities

303 E. 17th Street, Denver, CO 80236

Work Group Members	State Staff	Guests	Facilitators (HMA)
Roger Jensen Tamara French Tracy Murphy Marijo Rymer Kendra Kettler	Carol Meredith Marty Kennedy Kevin Grave Joe Manee Rob DeHerrera Sara Leeper	Tyler Deines Michele Craig	Robert Hernandez Marci Eads

Agenda Item	Summary of Discussion	Requests and Follow up
Welcome/ Introductions	Everyone introduced themselves	
Updates	<p>Marijo Reimer provided an update on the CLAG, which met for a day and a half the previous week and reviewed all of the recommendations made to the CLAG. All of this work group's recommendations were accepted. The CLAG will continue to meet for one more year, with 3-4 meetings during that time. It was recommended that subcommittees convert to "action committees" and only meet as needed to provide technical assistance and input on specific topics, and to serve as conduits to additional stakeholders, getting information to them. A report from the CLAG will go to the Governor in September.</p> <p>We discussed the plan for the next couple of these work group meetings, including getting more feedback on some remaining items related to the service definitions. Next steps after these meetings will be for the Department to begin creating draft documents for this group and others to react to. Work group members will be asked to be ambassadors to help the Department get feedback from additional stakeholders and to explain recommendations that have been made.</p>	
Update on Self-Advocacy	Michelle Craig gave an update on progress on gathering input from self-advocates across the state, and the issues that have been raised by attendees of these meetings. The next meeting will be in August. After this meeting, notes on the meetings will be publicly available.	

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Overview of Other States' Structure of Residential Services	Shane Spotts (HMA Principal) provided information about how several other states structure their residential services, including how need for residential services is determined, how residential services related to service provided under other programs, and issues of payment.	
Life Plans and Services	Work group members discussed the degree to which the current service definitions reflect the principles outlined in the Life Plan documents. Several recommendations were made, which Marijo Reimer will include in the draft of the service recommendations she is working on. These include: add support for micro-enterprise or owning a business (under supportive employment/vocational), and making sure to continue to think about the life plan concepts when determining how to implement and pay for services	
Public Comment	<p>Question: Will the transition plan go out for public comment?  Answer: Yes, and the Department will share information about how to provide comment when it is available.</p> <p>Question: Is the personal coach a paid or unpaid service?  Answer: If provided by a qualified service provider, it would be a paid service.</p> <p>Comment that we need to be attentive to what happens for people who receive services through different waivers if they get married</p>	<p>The draft transition plan and information on how to provide comments are posted on the Department's website:  <a href="https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition">https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition</a></p>