

HCBS/PD WAIVER STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

February 15, 2007

Kansas Coalition against Sexual and Domestic Violence

634 SW Harrison, Basement Conference Room

Topeka, KS

Present: John Daigh, Home Team of Kansas; Audrey Philip, Three Rivers, Inc.; Evelyn Harden, The Whole Person; Carol McFadden, Myrna Martinez, Independent Connections; Judy Weigel, ILRC; Stephanie Sanford, PILR; Kathy Cooper, CFI; Tania Harrington, RCIL; Gary Howard, LINK; Tanya Dorf, Independence, Inc.; Mary Frantz, The Dream Works; Jennifer Prunte, Janet Williams, Communityworks, Inc.; Ami Hyten, TILRC; Diane Paste, Ken Gifford, ILCNEK; Pat Roark, Shari Coatney, Anne Marie Huey, SKIL; Jennifer Schwartz, KACIL; Shannon Jones, SILCK; Julie Elder, SRS/NER; Amy Swanson, Frank Stahl, Candace Cobb, SRS/CSS.

10:00 a.m. Standing Agenda Item: Community Partners and SRS Update

Legislative Update: Jennifer and Ami reported:

**Bills reported: 2125 – “the hearing aid bill” and another for:
Opening of cottage- new beds – OSH**

Update on status of SA/DV Crisis Exception Training Workgroup:

Stephanie and Candace reported meeting together to discuss upcoming training. Jehan Faisal, KCSDV, has agreed to join the team.

Cognitive Risk Workgroup: Candace reported:

The work with Non Physical Support, the revision of the first two pages of the UAI, complete with instructions will be effective April 1, 2007.

The group will continue to meet, but the title of the workgroup will be “PD Processes Workgroup.” The intent of continued work will be to review and to revise policies and the HCBS/PD Policies and Procedure Manual as the need arises.

The workgroup has also discussed streamlining the cost cap process and will soon present a one-page document that will serve as both a cost cap memo and an Assistive Services cover memo.

Money Follows the Person Proviso Policy:

Candace reported Secretary Daniels and Secretary Greenlee did sign the MFP Proviso that removes the waiting list criterion from the Proviso. There is no waiting list this fiscal year for the HCBS/PD waiver. Candace asked that MFP referrals be made for those consumers who have been in nursing facilities 90 consecutive days or more and who meet eligibility criterion for the PD waiver.

10:30 Break

10:45 NPI Update:

Carrie Kimes, EDS, reported that NPI, while necessary for home

health claims, in her opinion, an NPI will not be necessary for HCBS Plans of Care. Carrie believes the MMIS system will link the two numbers together when claims hit the system. All home health claims will need to use the NPI identifier. Carrie suggested that questions be directed to Provider Assistance at EDS and that provider workshops be attended. Statewide Spring workshops are scheduled soon, and are listed on the KMAP website.

11:15 **HCBS/PD Waiting List:**
Candace reported: There will be no HCBS/PD waiting list this fiscal year.

POC approvals to Central Office :
(Refer Frank's summary memo of February 22, 2007.)

Waiver Numbers/Prevalence of Disability (Where are we?)
Candace reported CSS continues to welcome information regarding Prevalence of Disability.

12:00 **Lunch**

1:00 p.m. **Regional Realignment:**
Frank reported that Regional Realignment is an intentional staged process with individuals named for either Performance Improvement or Quality Assurance work of all HCP programs by July 1, 2007.

Oral Health Update:
Oral Health services for HCBS waiver adults are slated for April 1, 2007 implementation. Regular dental services covered by Medicaid, except orthodontics and dentures, will be covered. Dental providers will be able to use the procedure codes they currently use. Frank will email Directors and will request comments regarding providers. Public meetings and provider meetings to build capacity is the goal. Please inform Frank of those consumers who need a major amount of work.

PD Waiver Update:
Candace reported the waiver amendment was approved January, 2007. Any changes approved by CMS that require a policy change through KHPA and EDS are underway.

Other Waiver Updates:

MRDD:

- **services are to be fully unbundled by 2009.**
- **SCS and Respite; removed budget authority.**

Autism: The waiver is in its very initial stages. The waiver will be submitted for an effective date of January 1, 2008.

PRTF: This grant is to address the psychiatric needs of children.

TBI Waiver: Janet Williams reported:

The TBI waiver was implemented in 1991. The amendments were approved in January, 2007. There were 87 people in rehabilitation facilities; that number has doubled in the last few years. Janet is requesting a change of definition to include other brain injuries and a rate change. There is a rally March 7, and she will work with Ways and Means to encourage these changes.

The group discussed Targeted Case Management for the PD waiver. (Refer Frank's summary memo of February 22, 2007.)

MFP Grant:

(Refer Frank's summary memo of February 22, 2007.)

UAI Database: The group has requested a delay in implementation of this database.

Remaining Issues:

- **Independent Living Philosophy Training/Workgroup:**
Candace reported a first meeting with a group of CIL and home health agency representatives. The plan is to notify home health agencies of upcoming training done at CILs in order to offer training to all IL Counseling staff. The workgroup will meet again in May, '07.
- **Declining Referrals/ "Dismissing" Consumers:**
Candace distributed page 8 of the HCBS Checklist, a packet that all IL Counseling agency directors have signed during their provider enrollment process. Page 8 speaks to refusal of referrals and discontinuing HCBS services to consumers.

- **Assistive Services v. Medicare Allowances:**
CSS agreed the discontinuance of “mandatory 3 bids” for Assistive Services that purchase usual and customary DME for Medicare recipients. Medicare pays the same percentage regardless of which DME provider is utilized. The group accepted this change.

Continuation of Remaining Issues

Policy and Practice Update:

- **Live-in Relative Sleep Cycle Support:**
CSS proposed the change that relative with the same permanent address as the consumer could provide Sleep Cycle Support (with the caveat the PD waiver’s intent was not to pay spouses to provide Sleep Cycle Support). The group agreed this change to better meet the needs of consumers. The policy change will be effective April 1, 2007.

Back-Up Plans: Candace tabled this discussion for a future meeting.

2007 Meeting Date Reminders:

May 17, 2007 - KCSDV

August 16, 2007 - Learning Center, Rm C

November 15, 2007 – Learning Center, Rm D

Adjournment