
	
	<b>Meeting Topic:</b> Balancing Workgroup
	<b>Date:</b> December 17, 2007
	<b>Time:</b> 1:00pm – 4:00pm
	<b>Location:</b> Lazarus A501

<b>Meeting Attendees:</b>	Erika Robbins, Roland Hornbostel, Julie Evers, Debby Moscardino, Lauren Phelps, Judy Patterson, Sheri Kiser, Jim Rosmarin, Nancy McAvoy, Mike Schroeder, Doug Day, Deborah Clayton, Dolores Blankenship, Belle Likover, Pete VanRunkle, Jane Skeen, Beth Foster, Jeff Lycan, Jean Thompson, Chris Murray, John Alfano, Deanna Clifford, Kathleen Anderson, Bethany Rausch, Jana Patchen, Patty Caushen, Justin Moor, Julianne Johnson, Deborah Nebel, Suzanne Delaney, Bonnie Dingess, Chris Kenney, Steve Wermuth, Eric Rathburn, Debbie Adams, Mary Butler, Alan Burnett
<b>Purpose of Meeting:</b>	Balancing Workgroup

## AGENDA ITEMS:

Time	Topic	Discussion Lead
90 minutes	Review Recommendations	Erika Robbins & Roland Hornbostel
15 minutes	Break	
60 minutes	Discuss Access and Capacity Work	Erika Robbins & Roland Hornbostel
15 minutes	Next Steps/Action items	Erika Robbins & Roland Hornbostel
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## Meeting Notes:

### **Review of Subgroup Recommendations:**

Erika Robbins opened the meeting by stating that 3 of the 4 subgroups' recommendations pertaining to the Front Door would be shared at the meeting. The Criteria subgroup was still working on their recommendations and therefore they would be shared at a later date. Erika stated that additional comments could be submitted on the draft recommendations until January 2, 2008. Please submit additional changes/suggested revisions to the attention of Erika Robbins at: [Robbie@odjfs.state.oh.us](mailto:Robbie@odjfs.state.oh.us) or Julie Malfe at [Malfej@odjfs.state.oh.us](mailto:Malfej@odjfs.state.oh.us).

Roland Hornbostel stated that the recommendations would be shared at the January 10<sup>th</sup> Unified Long Term Care Budget (ULTCB) Workgroup meeting. Note: Since comments on the draft recommendations were not due until January 2, 2008, it has been decided to defer the presentation of these recommendations until the February 7, 2008 ULTCB workgroup meeting.

### **Structure Subgroup Recommendations:**

Erika walked committee members through the draft document. Recommendations were reviewed and several suggested revisions were made. Erika stated she would share the comments/additional recommendations with Julie Evers and a revised recommendations document would be sent to the Full Workgroup.

### **Financial Eligibility Subgroup Recommendations:**


Lauren Phelps walked committee members through the draft document. Recommendations were reviewed and several suggested revisions were made. Lauren stated she would amend the draft document and a revised version would be sent to the Full Workgroup.

### **Post-acute Care Issues Subgroup Recommendations:**

Erika handed out the draft document. In the interest of time, the document was not discussed in detail. However, Erika reiterated that comments/suggested revisions could be submitted until January 2, 2008.

### **Access and Capacity Discussion:**


Erika stated that the purpose of this part of the agenda is to have a brainstorming session, similar to the ones the group had initially around the "Front Door". According to the timeline, the next Full Group meeting on January 7, 2008 will focus on Access and Capacity issues. In addition,

	
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there can be time allotted to review the Front Door recommendations from the Post-acute Care and Criteria subgroups since they were not discussed at the meeting today.

**Access & Capacity Brainstorming (What are current access & capacity issues?):**

- Service availability (if person has need and is eligible)
- No access without capacity
- Are appropriate waivers available?
- Consumers are overwhelmed by number of choices and where to go
- Stigma
- Are waivers designed appropriately?
- Will money follow the person?
- Housing with supports
- Workforce shortages
- Lack of cross trained staff
- Provider rates
- Transportation
- IMD exclusion (funding inequities)
- Speed (slow) at which consumer can get services post discharge
- Lack of understanding regarding services available through the state plan (e.g., home health)
- Service gaps due to silos
- People who do not fit into a specific LOC (as pertains to MFP) but also ADLs etc.
- Not enough RSS housing
- Not enough affordable and accessible housing
- Need nursing home transition services
- Medication administration
- Services for fragile children
- Larger population in need and less fiscal resources
- Respite and LTC planning
- Need to acknowledge role of informal caregivers
- FMS/consumer direction
- Lack of education (in General Assembly) about systems and programs
- Technology barriers
- Complexity of funding

	
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- Provider qualifications- would be nice if they were consistent across programs
- Travel/transportation- varies by county
- Translation services (need)
- Lack of money for telemedicine
- Lack of money & training for assistive technology
- EPSDT- T for kids, lack of needed therapies, not knowing when & how to get personal care services.
- Same LOC for facility and HCBS may not make the most sense.
- Nursing facilities- excess capacity and associated costs
- Keep in mind baby boomers- there may not be enough informal caregivers, NFs may be appropriate placement.
- Current reimbursement does not have incentives to encourage development of greenhouses/continuing care retirement community (more community-like) settings.
- Inner city locations
- Rules as impediment- Assisted Living Waiver
- No incentives to keep family in home, need incentives for NF to help consumer go home
- Need LTC planning- not just for Medicaid consumers, need to change Long Term Care Consultation rules.
- Lack of home maintenance help (chronic care model)
- Consumer education regarding choices and what government will pay for (not just Medicaid/health care but other programs for community living).
- Provider enrollment- support exemptions for certain services or goods.
- Lack of personal assistance services
- Different requirements under managed care than FFS so folks who received a service (e.g., home health) under FFS can't get it under managed care (issue for NFs too).
- Assessment capacity (functional)- not enough staff
- Issues ebb and flow with the budget
- Lack of continuous outreach and education
- What is long term state perspective?


Issues by System:

ODA:

- Assisted Living Waiver wait list

MRDD:

- Waiting lists in the MRDD system

	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LOC issues</li> <li>• Inequities due to CBMRDD/local match (MH system issue as well)</li> </ul> <p><u>JFS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Placing kids with special needs</li> <li>• Access as it relates to patient liability</li> </ul> <p><u>Mental Health:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local systems have become Medicaid only due to entitlement- so other services needed can't be provided.</li> <li>• Housing</li> <li>• Lack of access to HCBS waivers</li> <li>• Quality issues and inconsistencies across counties</li> <li>• Lack of access to general/primary medical care</li> </ul> <p><u>Facilities:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eligibility processing timelines</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Follow-up:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submit any additional comments on the draft recommendations by January 2, 2008.</li> <li>• ODJFS will look at work in other subgroups/committees and will develop a list of recommended subgroups for the Access &amp; Capacity discussion to be shared at the next meeting.</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Next Meeting:</u></b></p> <p>The January 7, 2008 meeting has been cancelled. Please RSVP to Julie Malfe at <a href="mailto:MALFEJ@odjfs.state.oh.us">MALFEJ@odjfs.state.oh.us</a> for a subgroup as indicated below by 1/4. <u>ACCESS AND CAPACITY SUBGROUPS BEGIN ON 1/8</u> from 10:00 to 1:00 - Subgroup leads to be announced on 1/8.</p> <p>Subgroup E - (Lazarus B443) - Housing and Supportive Services  Subgroup F - (Lazarus A501) - HCBS/State Plan Services  Subgroup G - (Lazarus B501) - Facility Based Capacity  Subgroup H - (Lazarus C508) - Continuation of the Front Door Criteria Subgroup</p> <p>Julie Evers will send out a concept paper around the Access and Capacity subgroups sometime around 1/3 to give everyone something to start with. Reminder that if you have any comments on the front door recommendations compiled to date, please send to Julie Evers at <a href="mailto:EVERSJ@odjfs.state.oh.us">EVERSJ@odjfs.state.oh.us</a> by January 2.</p>



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