

# Unified Long Term Care Budget: ODJFS Updates

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# Overview

- Quick stats: overall caseload & waivers
- Progress on ULTCB recommendations
  - Home Care Attendant Services
  - Access Success & HOME Choice
  - “Front Door” initiatives
- Sister agency interface

# Medicaid Caseload

- September 2009: **2,000,000+** individuals enrolled for the first time
- Increase of approximately 189,000 since July 2008
  - Of the increase, approximately 19,000 elders & people with disabilities
- Total caseload is below estimate by 0.7% year to date (through October 31<sup>st</sup>)

# HCBS Waivers Administered by JFS

Waiver	# People Served	# Waiting List
Home Care	8,509	2,085
Transitions	2,846	N/A
Transitions Carve Out	1,656	N/A

# Home Care Attendant Service

- Similar to a ULTCB recommendation
- Will enable unlicensed non-agency providers (non-legally responsible family members, neighbors, etc.) to perform waiver tasks for consumers on the OHC and Transitions Carve-out waivers that otherwise must be performed by a licensed health care professional
  - Assistance w/ self-administration of medications
  - Assistance w/ certain nursing tasks
  - Personal care aide services

## Home Care Attendant Service, 2

- Will support self-direction
- Pending waiver amendment for Home Care & Transitions Carve Out to accomplish this
- OAC rules, rates, forms and training materials are under development
- **Thanks to the JFS Consumer-Directed Care Workgroup and others for work done over the last three years!!**

# Access Success

- Provides qualified nursing facility residents with non-Medicaid financial assistance in making plans for relocation from the nursing facility to a community setting
  - Links to supports and services such as housing, transportation, financial assistance programs
  - Provides up to \$1,900 to assist individuals with relocation expenses
- 565 people served to date

# HOME Choice

- **349** individuals enrolled and transitioned to the community (as of 11/1/09)
  - DODD waivers – 192
  - ODJFS waivers – 73
  - State Plan – 33
  - ODA waivers – 51
- A total of 1,081 have applied; process underway for many

# HOME Choice

## MFP Enhanced Reimbursement Fund

- \$205,703 (through March 31, 2009)
- \$359,037 (through April 30, 2009)
- \$705,296 (through June 30, 2009)
- \$1,513,943 (through September 30, 2009)

## Amended Substitute House Bill Number

### 562SECTION 751.20. MONEY FOLLOWS THE PERSON ENHANCED REIMBURSEMENT FUND

*The Money Follows the Person Enhanced Reimbursement Fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The federal payments made to the state under subsection (e) of section 6071 of the "Deficit Reduction Act of 2005," Pub. L. No. 109-171, shall be deposited into the Fund. The Department of Job and Family Services shall use money deposited into the Fund for system reform activities related to the Money Follows the Person demonstration project.*

# HOME Choice

## Balancing Activities:

- Front Door
- Housing
- Direct Support Workforce
- Consumer Advisory Council
- State Profile

# Front Door

## Four phases to front door reform

- Phase 1 almost complete: Pre-Admission Screening & Resident Review rules and forms effective December 1, 2009. Training completed via webinar (visit <http://mentalhealth.ohio.gov/what-we-do/protect-and-monitor/pre-admission-screening-and-resident-review/webinar-materials.shtml> for training materials, rules and forms)
- ODJFS is working on a sub-grant agreement with Scripps Gerontology to conduct a study of PASRR impact one year post-implementation.
- Phase 2 expected to begin in early 2010: Level of Care reform

# Front Door

- ODJFS has contracted with Permedion to conduct two studies related to the front door work.
  - Nursing facility level of care (PASSPORT, Ohio Home Care, Nursing Facilities) – This study is complete.
  - ICFMR level of care (Individual Options, Level One, Transitions MRDD, and ICFMR Facilities) – This study is underway: Permedion is collecting the data.
- Both studies have the following objectives:
  - To determine variations and frequencies in physical, clinical and level of care characteristics of consumers receiving institutional and waiver services.
  - To determine associations of consumer characteristics with placement group through multinomial logistic regression analysis.
  - To determine what associated factors or events precipitate admissions to institutional and waiver programs through descriptive analysis.
- The studies will be used to inform future policy direction.

# Housing

- The TAC (Technical Assistance Collaborative) Report was approved by the Interagency Council on Homelessness and Affordable Housing on 7/15/09. New workgroups were formed to focus on:
  - Defining cross-disability Permanent Supportive Housing
  - Improving partnership between Medicaid and Housing
- The MFP fund will support the spread of PSH, encourage the developing partnership with Public Housing Authorities (PHA's), and create local housing and services cooperatives.
- Through MFP, some PHA's have already committed housing resources (e.g. Cuyahoga 25 vouchers to start, Akron 25, Lucas 10) and many PHA's expect to apply for the NOFA expected to be released by HUD in early 2010 which will support the growing need for housing across all disability groups.

# Direct Support Workforce

- ODJFS is partnering with ODA on the leadership of this project (Tiffany Dixon provided an overview of this project at the 10/15/09 ULTCS meeting).
- MFP funds will support training components and potential IT needs of a training and credentialing system for direct support workers.
- ODJFS is working on a sub-grant with a public university (yet to be named) to lead a consortium of university experts in the workforce, adult education, long term services and supports fields to develop the core, test assessments and evaluate the project.

# HOME Choice Consumer Advisory Council

- The charge of the HOME Choice Consumer Advisory Council is to advise the State Agencies, General Assembly members, and interested parties, by providing a forum for input, education and development of consumer consensus on principles, standards, and policy initiatives impacting the long term services and supports system.
- The Council will address issues of access and entry into the delivery system, services and supports design and redesign, self-direction expansion, housing, and health and human service workforce development and unified budget to name a few areas. The Council will also lead in encouraging expanded advocacy across disability groups and will provide support and guidance to local advocacy efforts.

# HOME Choice Consumer Advisory Council

The council will comprise of 10 to 15 members representing all of the following:

- persons with intellectual disabilities
- persons with developmental disabilities
- persons who are elderly
- persons with physical disabilities
- family and/or legal guardian of a child with a disability
- persons with mental illness
- persons with traumatic brain injury
- persons in active recovery from alcohol and/or other drug addiction/abuse

The Council will not accept members who are advocates/providers of persons who are elderly and/or have disabilities. Only persons who are elderly and/or have disabilities receiving services and supports regardless of payer source for such services may apply. Members do not have to be participants of the HOME Choice Transition program to apply.

# HOME Choice Consumer Advisory Council

- The council is forming through a partnership between DD Council and the Ohio Olmstead Task Force.
- FY2010 Budget (\$200,000 from MFP Balancing Fund) for:
  - Charter/Member Agreements
  - Outreach Materials (video, webpage)
  - Conference
  - Travel Costs for members to include mileage, hotel, food, and personal care attendants
- Request for potential applicants expected in early 2010 with the first council meeting to coincide with the “Olmstead Conference” in the Spring of 2010

# State Profile of Ohio's Long Term Services and Supports System

- Ohio's profile will be web-based and will include the following:
  - An executive summary of Ohio's current system and an overview of performance indicators with a progress rating form
  - Background information on Ohio's system
  - Current and future challenges faced by the system in Ohio, how Ohio has responded to challenges, and Ohio's vision for the future
  - How Ohio will monitor progress to include development and tracking of the indicators
  - Each indicator and presentation of data
  - Summary chart of indicators and policy initiatives
- Indicators will roll out in three phases based on data source availability.
- Public review of the webpage is expected in the Summer of 2010.
- Scripps Gerontology will provide support in the development of the state profile through an MFP sub-grant.

# State Profile of Ohio's Long Term Services and Supports System

There are indicators within all eight balancing components. Example Indicators are:

- Ratio of Medicaid Expenditures on institutional care vs. home and community-based care.
- Ratio of the number of individuals served in Medicaid funded institutional settings vs. individuals served in home and community based settings.
- Per member per month Medicaid expenditure (both acute and long-term)
- Percentage of occupancy of all long term care beds.
- Accessible and Affordable Housing
- Ohioans with Disabilities in the Workforce
- The proportion of participants with opportunity to self direct by program.
- Satisfaction with services and supports
- HealthCare Workforce

# ODJFS & Partner Agencies

- Support sister agencies' Medicaid goals
- EMMA collaboration
- Disability determination opportunities with RSC (shared resources)

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