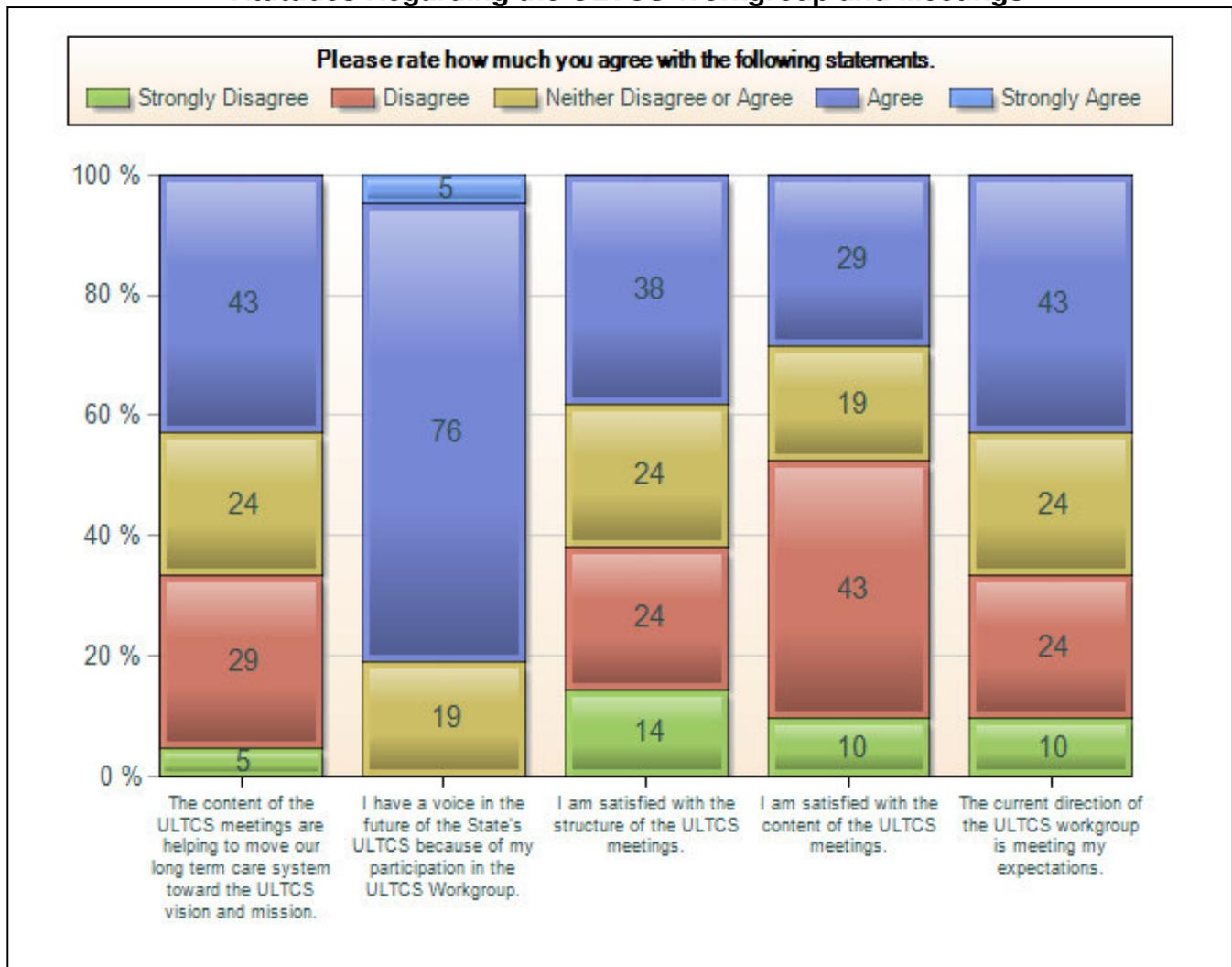




ULTCS Workgroup Survey Results

As a result of the ULTCS Ad Hoc Process Committee meeting in October, a survey was implemented to assess the opinions of the ULTCS workgroup. The survey's purpose was to gauge ULTCS workgroup members' views regarding the direction and format of the meetings. The survey was distributed the first week in November. Seventy-seven percent (77%) of the members responded to the survey (24 of the 31 members).

Attitudes Regarding the ULTCS Workgroup and Meetings



Value Received from Participating in the ULTCS Workgroup

- Better understanding of the direction of the state and a voice in the process.
- Dialog to help develop a system that can deal with the future demographic and financial challenges.
- Great understanding of connection between all the different systems, loose sense of unity.
- Having only attended one meeting so far I really have not reached a conclusion. I did find the first meeting a bit too long with some of the presentations lacking focus but it may not be a fair assessment to make without more experience. I look forward to the work of the ULTCS and probably need more time to get a feel for how effective the group is working.
- I believe my voice is heard, and becomes part of the minutes. I have also enjoyed hearing the presentations -- but we may have additional information that is not included. We should be asked about that.
- I have a seat at the table.
Some other observations, as the lone Skilled Nursing Care Coalition member I watch with interest as the table keeps expanding without any apparent consideration of allowing all three nursing home associations to have a representative at the table.
The large workgroups working on different issues "in the sunshine" seem to be replaced by internal groups that consult with stakeholders of their choosing.
I have an opportunity for input and to make "choice" a reality in Ohio's Medicaid LTC program have only attended one meeting, at which I was seated. This was a meeting of presentations, with no opportunity for dialoged and feedback. Information and influence on direction of Ohio's LTC system.
- Information on the state's activities.
- It is an opportunity for all stakeholders to come together and discuss issues around a common table.
- Its value last year was extremely positive. We need to get back on track.
- Participation in learning, dialogue, input and, hopefully, influencing the direction of LTC policies to provide better choices and easier access for people who want to live as independently and with as much dignity as possible.
- Receiving the implementation updates, input and comments from various stakeholders and members.
- Serving on the workgroup has been a tremendous learning experience on how Ohio's LTC system operates.
- The opportunity to help move the ULTCS forward.
- The value is current events and information. There is not anything that we are actively working on to bring about additional change that is needed in the overall system. ODJFS isn't an active participant and needs to be.

Unmet Expectations

- Can't quite figure out my role
- Group lacks a clear focus at this point
- I expected more discussion at meetings on issues involved in the initial Report that was presented to the Governor 1 1/2 years ago. I do not believe every topic had been flushed out. I also do not believe there is enough consumer voice at the meetings with only one true consumer's voice.
- There is expertise sitting around the table, yet most of the time is dedicated to presentations rather than discussions.
- I need a bit more experience to answer this.
- We need to focus more on what can be done to ensure consumer choice in Medicaid LTC
- I would like for this group to actively address the problems facing the state in its effort to balance the LTC system as opposed to being a passive body.
- I would like to see more discussion among the members.
- It is not quite clear at this point, given the state's economic situation, what 1-3 major policy priorities can be identified by the Workgroup to focus on.
- Meetings of late have been mainly presentations on peripheral subjects, and do not contribute to moving our agenda forward. Nor do they help improve the delivery of long term care services, or the implementation of the long-term care system.
- More discussion after presentations would be helpful.
- Need to be able to better impact federal system, limitations, not just Ohio.
- the strategic discussions about the implementation of the recommendations from last year
- There is still much that needs done and follow through that must happen. I feel like we are currently stuck.
- We need to plan for the next budget cycle.

Future Focus of the ULTC Workgroup

100% -- Strategic next steps to evaluate the relevance of the ULTCB recommendations given the current environment

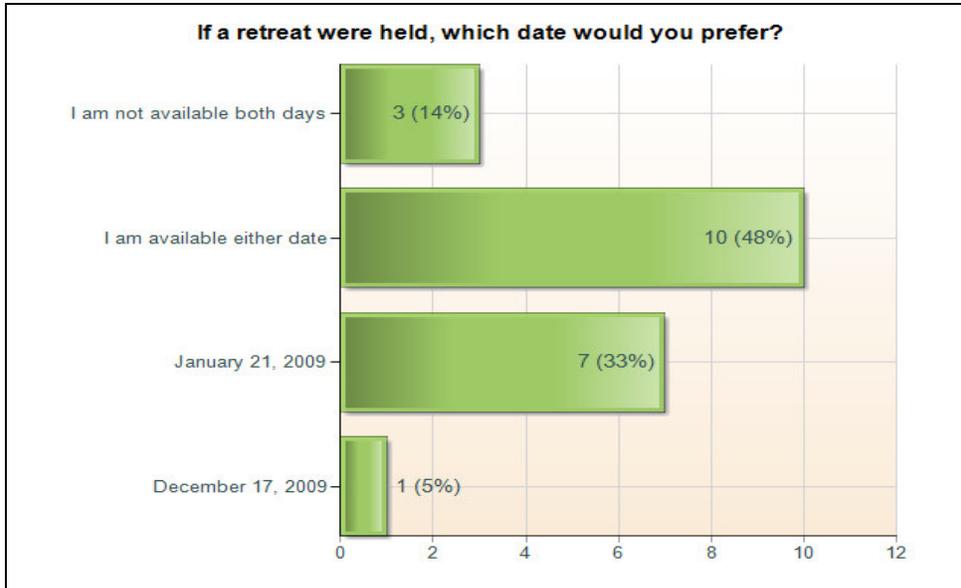
75% -- Updates on state agency implementation of ULTCB recommendations

35% -- Other suggestions:

- Barriers to making choice a reality in Medicaid LT
- Despite current environment, future priorities
- Discussion on specific portions of the ULTCB Report
- Evaluation of other states processes/programs
- Finalize a course of action going for next budget
- Strategic next steps on implementation
- Strategic next steps to moving forward ULTCBW recommendations

UTLCS Workgroup Strategic Visioning Retreat

79% of the respondents were willing to participate; no one indicated they were not willing to participate



Additional Data Requested

- Data on the sustainability of the workforce (wages, benefits, training, supervision and turnover)
- I am not sure what data has been provided in the past....I don't know if I have all the information the Workgroup has been provided or not.
- I believe we have most of the data we need, it is determining how to use it and make it work for us.
- I think we should re-examine the experience of other states that have successfully "moved the needle." I think we should quantify the short term cost (investment) and time frame required to move the needle to the 50/50 (NF/CBLTC) target Director Riley discussed.
- I would like to have a discussion that is focused specifically on how individuals with mental health disorders needs will be met in the future in comparison to how they are being met (or not met) today.
- It seems we are more reactive than proactive. The strategic visioning day should help address this issue.
- Need to have an open honest discussion with each other on where Ohio's LTC system should be headed.
- Regular admission data for NFs and enrollment/waiting list data for HCBS.
- The original report divided into sections/topics for discussion.
- Data to use to educate our legislators on the benefits of Home care vs. Institutional and what it means by TRUE "choice".
- The State Profile Tool will undoubtedly help.