

**Unified Long Term Care System (ULTCS) Workgroup  
Minutes  
December 3, 2010**

**MEMBERS PRESENT (by phone or in person)**

Barbara E. Riley, Ohio Department of Aging, Chair  
Jim Adams, Ohio Assn. of County Behavioral Health Authorities  
John Alfano, AOPHA  
Kathleen Anderson, Ohio Council for Home Care & Hospice  
Angie Bergefurd, Ohio Department of Mental Health  
Salli Bollin, Alzheimer's Association  
Semanthie Brooks (for Richard Browdie), Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging  
Mary Butler, Ohio Statewide Independent Living Council  
Andrew Capehart, Adult Protective Services  
Judith Chavis, American Assn. of Service Coordinators  
Missy Craddock (for Mark Davis), Ohio Provider Resource Association  
Doug Day, Ohio Department of Alcohol & Drug Addiction Services  
Bridget Gargan, Ohio Hospital Association  
Jodi Govern (for Rebecca Maust), Ohio Department of Health  
Janet Grant, Ohio Association of Health Plans  
Roland Hornbostel, Ohio Department of Aging  
Beverley Laubert, State of Ohio Ombudsman  
Peggy Lehner, Ohio House of Representatives  
Christopher Murray, Ohio Academy of Nursing Homes  
Steve Peishel, Office of Budget and Management  
Tracy Plouck, ODJFS, Ohio Health Plans  
Larke Recchie (for Joe Ruby), Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging  
Sarah Riegel (for Becky Williams), SEIU 1199  
Bill Sundermeyer, AARP Ohio  
Jean Thompson, Ohio Assisted Living Association  
Pete VanRunkle, Ohio Health Care Association

**HANDOUTS**

10/21/10 Minutes  
12/3/10 Agenda  
Draft 2010 ULTCS Progress Report  
ULTCS Implementation Matrix  
2011 ULTCS Stakeholder Workgroup Meeting Calendar  
ConnectMeOhio PowerPoint

**WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**

Barbara Riley opened the plenary meeting at 12:10 pm and called for introduction of ULTCS Workgroup members present in person and by telephone. She asked members to use this meeting to take stock and determine where we go from here. Because ULTCS work is intertwined with the ODA biennial budget submission, she took a moment to explain the LTSS portion of the 2012-13 submission.

LTC (waivers and PACE) Consumer Capacity  
Comparison of Funding Levels to Natural Demand

	# Served in 2012	Gap from Natural Demand	# Served in 2013	Gap from Natural Demand
90% Funding Level	34,865	14,778	33,907	18,978
100% Funding Level	41,565	8,078	35,848	17,037
Natural Demand Forecast	49,643		52,885	

Barbara noted that it would potentially take an additional \$153 million and \$230 million more (state and federal dollars) in SFYs 2012 and 2013 respectively to be able to meet demand. Meanwhile, based on the LTC Calculator developed by Sheri Jones, achieving the 50/50 balance goal would save a projected \$250 million.

*Action Step: ODA agreed to add its LTC calculator to the ULTCS webpage.*

**STAKEHOLDER/PUBLIC COMMENT**

N/A

**CONNECT ME OHIO**

Deanna Clifford provided a PowerPoint demonstration of the ConnectMeOhio website. ConnetMeOhio is a publicly accessible Internet referral database that supports the “front door,” along with other tools such as the Ohio LTC Consumer Guide, Ohio Benefits Bank, Ohio Housing Locator, and the online Medicaid application. ODMH, DODD, ODJFS, RSC, ODH and other departments are working with ODA to upload (and manage) their service provider data, with focus on long-term services and supports. DODD has committed to updating its data daily. The initiative is guided by an advisory board. There is no star rating and no exclusion, except on a case-by-case basis. You can search by multiple criteria, and there are no demographic identifiers collected.

**ULTCS MATRIX UPDATE**

Roland Hornbostel provided an update on the newly added column in the Matrix titled “Progress” and noted new information added in this column. This matrix only reflects the 2010 recommendations and does not capture prior recommendations from 2008.

**ULTCS 2010 DRAFT PROGRESS REPORT**

Karla Warren explained that the progress report was used to summarize recommendations and accomplishments to date. The report identified all 26 recommendations and provided more detail on those that are progressing. We are looking for additions and errors in the draft prior to its being submitted to the Governor and Legislature as directed under H.B. 1.

Chris Murray pointed out the variation in the \$79 million on page 2 and the \$236 million, and ODA agreed to recheck its numbers.

Pete VanRunkle expressed an opinion that the report speaks to the efforts of the Stakeholder Workgroup, but that accomplishments, e.g., diversion and transition, are

outside the purview of this group. Roland explained that the accomplishments describe progress since the last report and progress resulting from the requirements in H.B. 1.

Pete commented that the work of the group has been diffuse and asked that they consider focusing the group a little more – to lead with functions of the workgroup as well as outgrowths. Roland Hornbostel responded that this discussion on future focus of the workgroup and related goal setting and implementation planning needs a larger discussion.

*Action Step: Future focus and implementation planning will be added to the next agenda.*

*Chris Murray stated an objection to use of the chart for the woodwork effect as oversimplification. Tracy Plouck suggested removing the “disproving the woodwork effect” language and letting the numbers speak for themselves.*

*Action Step: Other comments and suggestions on the draft report should be forwarded to Mary Inbody by December 7<sup>th</sup>.*

## **WRAP-UP**

Barbara Riley wrapped up the meeting by reminding members of this opportunity to carry forward this legacy for eldercare services. She asked each member to think about the role and he/she wants to play, explaining that we have laid the foundation, built the fram and now must decide the room layout, etc. ODA will ask subcommittee chairs to talk with their respective subcommittee members about what is next and to begin setting a course.

Meanwhile, we need to carry the recommendations forward and work to integrate a number of them into the biennial budget over the next six months of deliberations. In 2011 we expect to start looking at longer-term, more visionary recommendations for a Unified Long-term Care System for Ohio.

## **2011 MEETING SCHEDULE**

January 13	April 14	July 14
February 10	May 12	September 8
March 10	June 9	November 10

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.