

Minutes
Unified Long-Term Care Budget Administration Subcommittee
January 3, 2008

Attendees: David A. Ellis, Larke Recchie, Joan W. Lawrence, Jana Patchen, Tracy Williams, Barb Petering, Jerry McKee, Gary Cook, Jerry Kithcart, Don Medd, Pete Van Runkle, Hubert Wirtz, Scott Bowers, Kathleen Crampton, Douglas Day, Brenda Finlay, Roland Hornbostel, Maureen Corcoran, David Tramontana, Cristal Thomas, Erika Robbins, Rex Plouck, Angie Bergefurd, Chris Murray, Chris Whistler.

David A. Ellis, Assistant Director of the Office of Budget and Management and Chair of the Subcommittee, called the meeting to order.

David Dorsky, from ODJFS, gave a detailed presentation on service costs and number of recipients for phase one services. The data was generated at the request of the full workgroup for a breakdown of all long-term services and supports at the service detail level (vs. the earlier program level detail). Either level of detail is available in this new presentation. The data, drawn from the DSS system at ODJFS, will be presented to the full ULTCB workgroup on Thursday, January 10, though several modifications were offered during this meeting. The revised data presentation is attached to these minutes.

Members offered the following comments.

Narrative explanations of Ohio's waivers should be distributed also. Questions about why MRDD data appear on the phase one data charts (note that after the meeting, the TCNs for these services were forwarded to ODMRDD for further analysis).

A subcommittee member asked for a breakdown of costs for the Ohio Home Care waiver by agency vs. independent provider expenditures.

A question was raised on how MITS would improve this type of data reporting. In MITS, the data will be refreshed daily instead of monthly. Unduplicated counts will be easier to determine, and as demonstrated at the last meeting, in MITS the user will have the ability to drill down to the individual consumer level.

One clarification is that the data presented do not include administrative costs. The Chair asked that a chart depicting each systems use of case management be developed.

A revised flowchart illustrating how H.B. 119 envisions the unified budget was presented. It was clarified that the flowchart is based on the statutory framework of HB 119. The chart will be amended to reflect that it is for FY 2009. The subcommittee should discuss a recommendation for the next two bienniums.

In revisiting the running "issues" list, subcommittee members would like to discuss rate setting methodology (with the reminder that the budget is a "zero sum game.")

This discussion led subcommittee members to ask about specific “what if” scenarios:

What if one service lacks enough funding and the others do have enough?

What if funding for all services is insufficient?

Next meeting of the administration subcommittee will be held on Thursday January 24, 2008 from 9 AM to 11 AM at the OBM conference room (Rhodes SOT, 35th floor).