**Consumer Direction Philosophy and Case Management Best Practices**

**Section II: SERVICES**

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- **Personal Care/ADL’s**
- **Shopping and errands**
- **Replacement of furnace filters**
- **Seasonal yard care & snow removal**
- **Heavy household chores**
- **Assistance with money mgmt. & correspondence**
- **Escort Services & Transportation**
- **Meal Prep.**
- **Housekeeping**
- **Respite**
- **Laundry**
**Consumer Directed Personal Care**

- Statewide, contracted provider rate
- Coordinated with other agency-based services
- Consumers have the option to use agency based and/or consumer directed service delivery
- The consumer directed personal care service enables consumers to be employers and hire service providers (including friends, neighbors and some relatives) to provide personal care service.
- No spouses, parents, or legal guardians can be the employee

**Choices Home Care Attendant (C-HCAS)**

- Choices Home Care Attendant or C-HCAS, is a consumer directed service.

- C-HCAS is one service that performs the tasks of individual waiver services: personal care, homemaker, chore, ILA In-person support or escorted transportation.
**Choices Home Care Attendant Service Criteria**

- In authorizing C-HCAS services, follow the same criteria and time norms as Personal Care and Homemaker Services Criteria for tasks that are common to both services.

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<td>Escort services and transportation to community services, activities, and resources</td>
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<td>This activity is offered in addition to medical transportation available under the Medicaid state plan, and may not replace it. Whenever possible, other sources, which can provide this service without charge, must be utilized.</td>
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- **Consumer documentation must support need for services** (e.g. Activities of Daily Living (ADL) impairments/deficits).
  - If current waiver services are meeting the consumer needs, C-HCAS hours should be comparable.
  - Due to the flexibility the consumer-directed service deliver option provides, it’s possible fewer hours will be required to meet the identified needs.

- **Characteristics that support the need for C-HCAS may include the following:**
  - Consumer has ADL deficits.
  - Consumer is impaired or has no caregiver/support able and/or willing to help.
  - Caregiver is in need of respite and service is necessary during the authorized time and duration in order to assist consumer with allowable tasks.
  - Consumer has bowel and/or urinary elimination problems (e.g. incontinence).
  - Consumer has history of pain and/or shortness of breath which make tasks difficult to complete.
  - Consumer has history of cognitive impairment and/or is assessed as cognitively impaired.
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- Is a per bid rate service.
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Alternative Meals

- Alternative Meals
  - Is a service that gives the consumer the opportunity to receive meals from established food vendors in the community or to participant in community events which involve the purchase of meals.
  - The goal of the service is to promote community inclusion for the consumer.
  - Providers of this service require a valid Medicaid number for payment.
  - The unit of service is one meal.
Can Consumers Still Use Agency Providers?

- Yes!

- Consumers can add both agency and consumer directed providers to their service plan

- Many consumers use agencies as their service delivery back up plan or use consumer directed providers at times of day when agency staff is not available

Resources

- National Resource Center for Participant Directed Services (NRCPDS)
  "The Boston College People"
  www.participantdirection.org

- The clearinghouse for Home and Community Based Services
  www.hcbs.org

- Ohio Dept. of Aging
  www.aging.ohio.gov

- Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
  www.cms.gov
  Waivers & Best Practices
Thank you!

This concludes the Ohio Department of Aging presentation on consumer direction philosophy and case management best practices, section 2, Services.