



## Fiscal Sustainability Design Team Meeting Summary

**Fiscal Sustainability Design Team**

**Date of Meeting: June 20, 2011, 1-4pm**

**Present:**

Tina Chirico, Deb Franchini, Henry Hamelin, Eric Harris, Steve Holmes, Alden Kaplan, John Kemmer, Jay Kiyonaga, David Liscomb, Kate Marlay, Amy Murrisky, Ramon Rodriguez, Pat Sarli, Jeff Sinsebox, Seth Stein, Louis Tehan

**Absent:** Anne Klingner, Keith McGriff, Regis Obijiski, Michael Rogers

**Discussion Topics**

**Summary of Main Discussion Points, Considerations, Recommendations, Next Steps, etc.**

Review of design team charter

- The design team charter was accepted by team without any changes.

Briefing book highlights / key concepts

- Briefing Book highlights:
  - While unit cost or per person costs have increased at the rate of inflation, our population served is growing at a greater rate than the general population as a result of increased life expectancies related to certain diagnoses and an increase in the number of children accessing services.
  - Discussed historical expenditure and recipient data for OPWDD services and non-OPWDD services that were included in the briefing book. Two further analyses were requested. Please see (B) and (C) in “Action Items” section for details.
  - Achieving financial sustainability requires improved efficiencies, i.e. bending the cost curve. The 1115 waiver must support and encourage the development of service/support packages that are both less costly and better tailored to individual needs and goals.
- Key Conceptual Considerations:
  - Basis of reimbursement will no longer be “fee for service”. Types of reimbursement models that were discussed are capitation reimbursement models with managed care



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	<p>systems, Accountable Care Organization (ACO) systems, and PACE systems. Inherent in these systems is the acceptance of risk by the entity. Stop loss or reinsurance mechanisms will be considered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ An information technology (IT) system will be needed that can be quickly developed or adapted to balance case mix and reimbursement on a real-time or near-real-time basis.</li> <li>○ The funding mechanism should be flexible enough to accommodate desired People First Waiver design features, as well as the choices and needs of the individual.</li> <li>○ The financing agreements should allow for portability of funds and flexibility relating to Individual choice, including geographical area.</li> <li>○ The financial structure should be implemented in a way that ensures that individuals' voices are heard and their choices are respected.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Possible topics for technical workgroups:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ To address needed changes to Federal and or State laws and regulations to accommodate our People First waiver</li> <li>○ To explore broader use of shared living as a less expensive model that respects choice</li> <li>○ Mechanisms to provide equitable housing opportunities across the state</li> <li>○ Ways to reduce paperwork that does not add value in order to decrease costs and aid in focusing on the person</li> <li>○ Implement an assessment/eligibility tool that leads to individual choice</li> <li>○ Consideration of a pay for performance model to recognize higher compensation and benefits (including education) for direct support professionals, tied to outcomes</li> <li>○ Look into the SSI state supplement which currently incentivizes congregate care settings, rather than independent living</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>Review of other systems</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A design team sub-group was created to review</li> </ul>





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	<p>other state systems including Arizona, North Carolina, Vermont, and Wisconsin. Members include: Tina Chirico, Alden Kaplan, Steve Holmes, John Kemmer, and Jeff Sinsebox. The results of the review will be presented at the next design team meeting. A conference call to be scheduled with the sub-group and OPWDD staff to coordinate efforts within the next few days. See (A) in “Action Items” section for detail.</p>
<p>Business Items / Future Meetings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Email addresses and other contact information were confirmed with the design team members.</li> <li>• Reasonable travel will be reimbursed. OPWDD design team staff will forward specifics by email.</li> <li>• Any articles or other reference material that team members feel would be helpful in the design team process should be discussed with Deb Franchini, who will be responsible for communicating the information to other Fiscal Sustainability Design Team members and other 1115 Waiver design teams.</li> <li>• Future meeting dates and times were provided. Team members will contact OPWDD as soon as possible to confirm attendance at the scheduled meeting and provide notice for the need for video conferencing or special accommodations.</li> </ul>

<b>Action Items</b>		
<u>Action Item</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
(A) Design Team Subgroup: Review of systems in use in Arizona, North Carolina, Vermont, and Wisconsin.	Tina Chirico, Alden Kaplan, Steve Holmes, John Kemmer, Jeff Sinsebox	7/13/2011
(B) Completion of analysis of OPWDD Medicaid expenditures for SFY 09-10	Eric Harris	7/13/2011
(C) Review of the range in current per capita payments for supervised IRAs, ICFs, and supportive IRAs. Data would be summarized to reflect the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Highest Rate</li> </ul>	Eric Harris	7/13/2011





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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Lowest Rate</li> <li>○ Mean Rate</li> <li>○ Median Rate</li> </ul>		
<p>Provide link to the Braddock Study, which was mentioned in the morning kick-off meeting session.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The State of the States in Developmental Disabilities, University of Colorado Department of Psychiatry</li> </ul> <p><a href="https://www.cu.edu/ColemanInstitute/stateofthestates/aboutSOS.html">https://www.cu.edu/ColemanInstitute/stateofthestates/aboutSOS.html</a></p>	<p>OPWDD Design Team Staff</p>	<p>7/13/2011</p>

**Next Meeting:            Wednesday, July 13, 2011**  
**11am – 4pm**  
**44 Holland Avenue, Room 4B**  
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