

“Looking to the Future”

Governor’s Commission on
Community Based Alternatives
for Persons with Disabilities
Update

Overview and Purpose

- Executive Order #50 signed 9/22/03 created the Commission
 - ◆ Delaware is committed to community based alternatives
 - ◆ Ensure that community based programs effectively foster independency and participation in community

Commission Purpose

- ◆ Ensure that all citizens inclusive of those with disabilities have the ability to live
 - ★ Close to family and friends
 - ★ Independently
 - ★ Engage in productive employment
 - ★ Participate in community life

Framework for Achievement

- Best way to achieve aforementioned goals is for the public and private representing Delaware's disabilities community and those who serve that community to help chart the state's progress toward those goals

Framework for Achievement

- Cross-disability/condition focus
 - ◆ Inclusive of behavior health conditions, intellectual/cognitive disabilities and physical disabilities
- Grassroots involvement through a committee structure

Housing

Transportation

Employment

Assessment

Health Care

MFP

Workforce Development

FY06 – FY07 PRIORITIES

- FY06 = 7/1/05 – 6/31/06
 - ◆ Medicaid Buy-In
 - ◆ Expand Attendant Care
 - ◆ Pay Family Caregivers
 - ◆ Create a database
 - ◆ Provide pay equity for contracted services
 - ◆ Expand Para transit Service

FY 06 Outcomes

- Movement in Provider Contract Increases. Equity still seen as an issue but was further supported in FY07's budget.
- \$250,000 added to OMB designated to the Commission

\$250,000 Allocation Usages

- **\$50,000 – Full time staff** dedicated to the Commission – Purpose is to coordinate the work of the Commission, to work with Commission leadership and Committee leadership to enable the development and delivery of work products -Contracted CDS (Center for Disabilities Studies) Also staffed HR90

Allocations

- **\$50,000 Respite Care** – Purpose is to design a lifespan respite care service for the state that will be used to demonstrate a consumer-focused, integrated respite service that can be effectively administered statewide. Contract with CDS in conjunction with Delaware Caregivers Support Coalition

Allocations

- **\$50,000 – Assessment** – Purpose is to assess and make recommendations about ways to organize both information and tools to support consumer self-management and such key business processes as community needs assessments, screening and assessment of individual consumer conditions and capacities and utilization management. Contract with VieBridge (March – Sept. 2006)

Allocations

- **\$35,000 – Purpose is to develop a curriculum which will be for levels of the direct service workforce**
- **\$12,000 – Sponsorship of a statewide direct service workforce conference**
- **Contracts are with CDS**

Allocations

- **\$53,000 – Allocated Medicaid for infrastructure enhancements which would promote the State’s adoption of MBI**
- ***Cost of intersection modifications exceeded amount allocated. At the June Commission meeting, it was voted to transfer the \$20,000 to Medicaid for the MBI infrastructure**

Medicaid Buy-In – FY 07 PRIORITY

- Priority for the Commission, championed by the Employment Committee. Commission has allocated \$53,000 which can be leveraged with federal dollars for a total of \$106,000. Infrastructure costs are estimated at \$167,000

FY 07 Epilogue Language

- DHSS, Controller General's Office and OMB shall collaboratively review other states implementation of MBI (33 states have implemented), including but not limited to a cost-benefit analysis with income threshold and submit a report of their findings to the co-chairs of the JFC, Controller General and Director of OMB by November 15, 2006

Overall Goal

- 5 Year Comprehensive Administrative/Legislative Plan, with identified priorities, goals, objectives, action steps and fiscal notes
- Timeline – Product launch July 2007
- Commission and committee structure will monitor progress, adapt to unforeseen issues and continue to update and revise product

Collaboration Opportunities and New Partners Examples

- AARP
- Joint Sunset Committee (DTC)
- Interagency Council on Homelessness
- Supported Employment MOU DSAMH and DVR
- Providers
- Consumers, Families and Advocates

Timeline

December-February

Committees respond to Commission responses and stakeholder groups; finalize goals and priorities

- February 2007

Final recommendations from Committees

- February-May 2007

Retreat of Commission members to prioritize goals and set final timelines

- May-June

Circulation of final draft for final public comment

- July

Product Launch

Timeline

- July-Sept. Committees identify goals, priorities, timelines and responsible parties
- Sept – Commission meeting, Committees report preliminary goals and priorities
- Sept.- December – Committees refine and finalize goals, priorities timelines
- December – Committees present plan to Commission

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