

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY-BASED ALTERNATIVES
FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
EMPLOYMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 06, 2006 – 10:00AM (Rm 129)
DEPT OF LABOR – WILM, DE

PRESENT: Andrea Guest, DOL; Penny Chelucci, DSAMH; Cindy Sterling, OIC;
Eve Austin, Elwyn; Doyle Dobbins, Delarf; and Victor Orija, DSAAPD.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00am

BUSINESS

1. Welcome, introduction, approval of agenda and minutes.
2. Commission update.
3. MBI update.
4. Other items.

Commission update:

Next meeting is slated for June 22, 2006 at a location to be announced.

MBI update:

Awaiting the JFC decision to see if there's an allocation for MBI in the DHSS' 2007 budget.

Revisited Commission Template Goals:

Goal # 3:

TSI recipients can change providers. However, they need to be educated about their options. There must be an action item to educate recipients.

Vocational Rehab (VR) – VR is being re-organized.

- >Streamlining eligibility process
- >Making program more responsive

Department of Labor is reducing disability-related programs because of budgetary constraints.

Goal # 1:

Selective placement for people with disabilities. Purpose is to secure short list placement for people with disabilities without taking qualifying tests.

Q: How effective is the program? It is effective in some divisions and not in others.

Agency Aide Program: It is designed to offer employment opportunity to people with

disabilities in state agencies. It is not clear if this opportunity is being fully utilized.
 Action item: Invite Sandy Mullins and Greg Chambers (SPO) to update subcommittee on progress of program.

Update on other subcommittees:

1. Assessment:

- (i) Has contracted with Alan Ackman (VieBridge) as a resource on how to proceed with a cross-disability assessment tool. He is currently reviewing current state, visiting division directors to solicit their input.
- (ii) Staff personnel position is being explored with the Center for Disabilities studies (CDS) at the University of Delaware.

2. Workforce Development and Retention:

>Still developing a certification program for the community service personnel.

3. Healthcare:

>Has invited state and national Emergency Preparedness officials to speak to subcommittee on how best to prepare for the emergencies in view of what happened during the past hurricane season to the communities and people with disabilities.

4. Money Follows The Person (MFP):

The Lewins Report has been submitted. Subcommittee is currently developing action items that will be presented to the Commission.

Medicaid Buy-In (MBI)
 Model I vs. Model II (a comparison)

<i>Design Element</i>	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3	Model 4	Model 5
Countable Income Limit (i.e., earned and unearned)	300% FPL	275% FPL	250% FPL	275% FPL	250% FPL
Income Disregards					
<i>Unearned Income</i>	Totally Disregarded	Disregarded 100% up to \$800; above \$800, not eligible	No Unearned Income is Disregarded	Disregarded 100% up to SSI Standard Payment; Else ineligible.	Disregarded 100% up to SSI Standard Payment; Else ineligible.
Definition of Family	MBI Participant only for Eligibility	Income of the Spouse is considered for Eligibility	MBI Participant only for Eligibility	MBI Participant only for Eligibility	Income of the Spouse is considered for Eligibility
Number meeting disability and financial eligibility criteria	36,653	20,617	32,958	18,095	15,277
Of these, number who will work	4,649	3,019	4,082	2,475	2,159
Of these, number who will participate	656	403	549	374	312
Of these, number new Medicaid enrollees	516	289	409	285	224
Number enrollees with cost share	295	102	212	95	58
Medicaid spending per participant	\$12,976	\$12,976	\$12,976	\$12,976	\$12,976
Total Medicaid spending for new participants	\$6,695,616	\$3,750,064	\$5,307,184	\$3,698,160	\$2,906,624
State Share of Total Medicaid spending for new participants	\$3,347,808	\$1,875,032	\$2,653,592	\$1,849,080	\$1,453,312
Offsets to the State					
<i>State Share of Premiums Collected</i>	\$260,253	\$48,610	\$146,481	\$60,749	\$24,847
<i>Additional State Taxes</i>	\$194,017	\$55,687	\$115,275	\$43,936	\$31,646
<i>State Supplement Payments</i>	\$126,256	\$126,256	\$126,256	\$126,256	\$126,256
Total Offsets to the State	\$580,526	\$230,553	\$388,012	\$230,941	\$182,749
Total Cost to the State	\$2,767,282	\$1,644,479	\$2,265,580	\$1,618,139	\$1,270,563

**Governor's Commission on Community-Based
Alternatives for Individuals with Disabilities**

**Employment Subcommittee
2006 Meeting Dates**

**All meetings will be held at the Department of Labor
4425 No. Market St., Wilm., DE (Room 349A)
10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon**

February 2nd

April 6th

~~**June 1st**~~ cancelled

August 3rd

October 5th

December 7th

Next meeting is on August 3, 2006..