Utilization of Services

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Topics

- ► Requirements for 1915c (HCBS) waivers
- ▶ What we are seeing
- Feedback from town hall participants



What is a 1915c (HCBS) waiver?

- Allows states to provide Medicaid funded home- and communitybased services
- ► Eligibility is determined by:
 - Needing institutional level of care (hospital, nursing faciliy, ICF/ID, etc)
 - Target group identified in waiver
 - Meeting financial eligibility criteria
 - Require one or more service to function in the community
 - Actively choosing to enter a waiver rather than entering an institution



1915c Cost Neutrality Requirement

1915c HCBS Service Expenditures + All other Medicaid Services (physician, hospital, pharmacy, etc.) Average per Member

Must be LESS than

Institutional Cost + All other Medicaid Services (not covered by institutional) Average per Member



What does this mean?

Example: Current Intellectual Disability Waiver

HCBS Services Average per Member per Year	State Plan Services Average per Member per Year	Total Average per Member per Year for ID Waiver	ICF/ID Average per Member per Year	State Plan Services Average per Member per Year	Total Average Institutional Average per Member per Year
\$53,562.22	\$5,069.29	\$58,631.51	\$152,303.20	\$7,364.81	\$159,668.01

In doing analysis to prepare for the new waiver submission, we are seeing HCBS costs begin to catch up with institutional costs.

DRAFT NUMBERS	Brain Injury	Health and Dis	Elderly	Phys Dis	Intel Dis
Institutional Average	\$58,848	\$58,848	\$58,848	\$58,848	\$184,496.09
# of Members Exceeding Institutional Average with just HCBS	232	74	74	11	454



Other points of utilization

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Waiver	County	Metric	All Combined
	Total	Total Members	31
		# Utilized Services	28
		% Utilized Services	90%
		# Not Utilized Services	3
AIDS/HIV		% Not Utilized Services	11%
	Total	Total Members	1,459
		# Utilized Services	1,288
		% Utilized Services	88%
		# Not Utilized Services	171
Brain Injury		% Not Utilized Services	12%
	Total	Total Members	1277
		# Utilized Services	740
		% Utilized Services	58%
Children's Mental		# Not Utilized Services	537
Health Waiver		% Not Utilized Services	42%
	Total	Total Members	8053
		# Utilized Services	6999
		% Utilized Services	87%
		# Not Utilized Services	1054
Elderly		% Not Utilized Services	13%
	Total	Total Members	7101
		# Utilized Services	4807
		% Utilized Services	68%
		# Not Utilized Services	2294
Habilitation		% Not Utilized Services	32%
	Total	Total Members	2309
		# Utilized Services	1923
		% Utilized Services	83%
		# Not Utilized Services	386
Health & Disability		% Not Utilized Services	17%
	Total	Total Members	12392
		# Utilized Services	11039
		% Utilized Services	89%
Intellectual		# Not Utilized Services	1353
Disability		% Not Utilized Services	11%
	Total	Total Members	1078
		# Utilized Services	854
		% Utilized Services	79%
Physical Disability		# Not Utilized Services	224
Waiver		% Not Utilized Services	21%
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Feedback from Group

- Questions or comments about cost neutrality
- Getting folks connected to services
- Discussion about how experience is connected broadly



