

HOME Project Steering Committee - Meeting Summary

Tuesday, April 28th, 2026, from 3:00 – 4:30 P.M. CT

Overview of HOME Project Monitoring Strategy

The Committee received an in-depth presentation from Betsy Richie on HOME Project's monitoring and performance management framework.

- **Why use a HOME Monitoring Strategy?** Utilizing an implementation monitoring plan will ensure that what is documented in the transition plan is happening as it should.
- **What does the HOME Monitoring Strategy do?** Measures, including baselines and thresholds, in three categories will be reported and visualized in a central dashboard: 1) Member and Partner Engagement 2) Access and Services & 3) Streamlined Operations
- **How will the HOME Monitoring Strategy work?** Measures will be reviewed in a standard cadence, and a Performance Management structure will be implemented to review data and take action as needed.

Key topics included:

- Short- and medium-term monitoring strategy
- Baseline measures, thresholds, dashboards
- Monitoring Focus Areas: Member/partner engagement, access & services, operations during phase 1 and phase 2
- Continuous quality improvement cycles
- Next Steps:
 - Build a dashboard for baseline data
 - Implement HOME and develop/revise reports to monitor changes
 - Implement performance management structure to review and respond to measures

Committee Feedback on Monitoring and Quality Measures

Members raised concerns about service gaps, middle-ground needs, appeals impacts, data quality, and protections during transition. Emphasis was placed on transparent dashboards and leadership oversight.

Review of HD → C&Y / AD Waiver Transition Guide

Steering Committee members provided feedback on “A Guide to HOME for Health and Disability Waiver Members (Draft)”. This guide was developed based upon needs expressed by Steering Committee members in previous meetings to more clearly outline what each population would experience as a result of the HOME Project.

Committee Feedback on Transition Guide

The feedback from the group on this draft emphasized clearer charts, separating adults/children sections, identifying renamed services, highlighting state plan services, and adding funding limits directly into tables.

Service Planning, Monthly Caps, and Funding Concerns

Members will keep current caps in phase one; MySPL begins in phase two. One-time services remain outside caps. Members requested detailed fiscal information and clarity about CCO, SCL, and daily limits.

Communication, Public Notice, and Engagement

HHS will expand use of the Iowa Medicaid Facebook page, newsletters, and is developing a new HOME Project landing page.

Overall Takeaways

- Improve clarity on service changes and assessments
- Ensure continuity during transition
- Strengthen communication & materials
- Maintain transparent, data-driven monitoring

The next HOME Project Steering Committee Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 26th, 2026, from 3:00pm-4:30pm CT.**