DDW Renewal Steering Committee Recommendations



Topic	Proposals - Focus Groups	Steering Committee Recommendations
Person Centered Planning and Individual Service Plan (ISP)	Look at composition of the IDT, ISP development, then a separate budget meeting	Simplified ISP template (similar to the WI template) with attachments for detail; recommend against a separate budget meeting
	Consider ISP Quality Assurance (QA) audit by the Outside Review committee	Recommend against this due to the number of audits already in place and concerns about different entitles looking at the ISP in different ways - need agreement among all QA entities about what person centeredness is - conside some of the training be done by self-advocates
	Look at duplication among assessments	Support removing duplication across specialized assessments, particularly the Person Centered Assessment
	Look at Pre- ISP meeting process - make this more meaningful	Support keeping this meeting- agree to make it more meaningful - Considerations for verbal and non verbal participants
	Other	Add a prompt in the ISP regarding the person learning how to run their own meeting
Emergency Physical Restraint (EPR), Restrictions and Human Rights Committees (HRCs)	Look at establishing Quality Improvement committee and "Supercommittee"	Support for these bodies not as regulatory bodies but as added resources; consider timelines for urgent matters and community member at large as part of the membership
Case Management	Implement 24 hours of annual mandatory training for case managers.	Support for training concepts in proposal (ANE, PCP, health and self selection but recommend reducing the number of hours; also recommend more input from CMAAC and other stakeholders to operationalize this
	Allow Dual Caseloads for Cases Managers	Research why the caseloads were initially separated to understand the concer about allowing dual caseloads- collaborate with Mi Via as they rewrite the standards; cautions about operationalizing this- needs a lot of attention to safeguard the person centerednesss
Therapies and Behavior Support Consultants (BSCs)- Telehealth	Extend the usage of telehealth	Support extending the use of telehealth - need standards for the different disciplines
	What are the challenges/barriers to minimizing or preventing fading opportunities?	Not applicable; good discussion that may pertain to the Standards
	Consider creation of a targeted Person-Centered Planning training "module"	Not supported
Remote Personal Support Technology	Change name of service from Personal Support Technology to Remote Personal Support Technology (RPST)	Neutral
	Add State or Contract position	Support
	RPST provider will act as fiscal agent with primary responsibility for payment, tracking, and documentation.	Support
	Consider changing reimbursement methodology from a percentage of total to a flat rate to better align with provider	Support
	Other	Add RPST prompt in ISP. Also add AT prompt in the ISP in a place other than health and safety.
Assistive Technology	Increase amount allowed for AT	Support
Allow exception process		Support
Non-Medical Transportation	Expand the definition of what the public transportation pass can be used for to include ridesharing services. (Uber/Lyft)	Support
	Raise service limit for Nonmedical Transportation Mileage from \$750 to \$810 to reflect mileage rate change from .41 to .44 cents per mile that was recommended by 2019 PCG rate study.	Support

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1		Add exception to mileage limit of \$810 for people in rural and frontier counties only.	Support	
2	Family Living-nursing requirements	Should nursing continue to be required in the Family Living Model? Does that requirement as it stands now limit person centeredness and choice (i.e., if you want to be in Family Living you must have a nursing assessment)? Would nursing as an add-on like in CIHS provide more flexibility? Does it pose problems for individuals in FL who need assistance with medication?	Needs more exploration - concerns about increasing flexibility and having safeguards	
3	Staying Home when I want to	A Supported Living (SL) aide for someone being at home; an hourly rate with modifier within SL. This is essentially building in some hourly billing options to address the rate-build up that typically assumes 30 hours a week outside of SL care.	Support for aide code across settings (work, community, and home)	
		Encourage the use of PST and on call staffing requirements in SL/FL, so people can stay home alone with appropriate planning and supports including weekends and evenings.	Support	
	Supporting People with complex mobility and personal care needs	Non-Ambulatory Stipend will continue but not be expanded; Consider the 20K paid annually for this stipend – would use of this amount of money be more efficient/effective leveraging alternative supports like aides, supplemental staffing at critical points in persons day, or DME etc.	Support the need to explore maximizing funding from State Plan and DDW; need more public education and awareness on the potential long-term savings and increased quality of life for people with high needs.	
		Limits in state plan generally don't pay for the more expensive barrier free lifts which allow for one person transfers (Can HSD look at state plan or DDW be extension of state plan?)	Support the need to explore maximizing funding from State Plan and DDW; need more public education and awareness on the potential long-term savings and increased quality of life for people with high needs.	
		Person centered planning for two-person staffing at key times in FL, CIHS; Community Inclusion is looking at leveraging aide scopes to add second person	Support for aide code across settings (work, community, and home)	
		Other	The needs of people who are non ambulatory are very differentt -DDSD needs to recognize this in general	
			Explore the cost of moving equipment (track) to a new location (through AT /Env Mod)	
		non ambulatory and receiving Cat 3 and 4 rates?	No Discussion	
E	Employment	tales of the second sec	Support. However there was a lot of discussion on this. Some providers support this and the advocate agencies supported this due to increased accountability and the ability to track people's progress, (Some providers expressed concerns about impact of changes to rate structure on cost of doing business.)	
		Highly recommend Association of Community Rehabilitation Educators (ACRE) or Certified Employment Support Professionals (CESP) credentialing for job developers and job coaches. Building the foundation to require at least one of these credentials in the future	Support and also support for tiered rates as an incentive	
		Fueles and a total total total total	Support for aide code across settings (work, community, and home)	
C		community and 25% in the facility	Support as long as the CCS-I definition is revised as outlined in the proposal. Need to consideror the need for expedited approvals	
		Institute a cap on units and budget for all CCS services. 6240 units is the recommendation for the CCS (a combination of all CCS Services) cap.	Caps are supported as long as there is an exception process	

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36	3 hours day /15 hours a week in home	Support
37	Redefine the community inclusion aid	Support for aide code across settings (work, community, and home)
Service limits	Thoughts on CAP's in general and the methodology utilized	Burden of revision process needs to be addressed- how to fade back in when needed - need flexibility and an exception process; Caps are supported as long as there is an exception process; Past H Authorization (exception process) worked well.