OPRA Board Meeting

MAY 2022

Budget Priorities

- The Coalition
- •Historic Asks
- •Start with the Governor's proposal
- •Do we hire outside assistance (message development, marketing, organize partners, etc.)

Today we are...

Providing Information

Asking for your feedback

Organizing a group of OPRA Members to work on specific issues







Area #1: Funding

- 45% Increase in rates
 - \$447mil/year next biennium
 - Addresses wage compression
- COLA
 - Can CB cover this?
 - How do we determine the percentage?
- Increase rate of reimbursement for nursing services
- DSP "Package" (Maximize CB Funding)
 - State provided benefits
 - Health care
 - Child care
 - Tuition reimbursement



Area #2: Capacity

- Licensed beds
- Setting flexibility
- Nursing capacity
- Provider certification reform
- MSY/add-on reform



Limit the # of licensed beds/moratorium

- HCBS- Change ORC from 4 to 5 beds
- Or No Limit with compliance with settings rule
- ICF-Open up new beds/fill unused capacity for specific populations via process, rate structure and capital investment
 - Specialized services-MSY/Medically Fragile



Increase flexibility in new and preexisting residential settings that permit permanent waivers or process for permanent approval including:

- Intentional Communities
- Adjacent Settings
- Develop a process for approval for settings rule that emphasizes choice for people in their service settings rather than size/location.



Increase nursing capacity, including state plan services, PDN, waiver nursing, delegation...

- Allow County Boards, COGs to provide nursing or delegation currently not allowed in rule.
- Increase rate of reimbursement to allow for more RN trainers.
- Explore regional delegated nursing models (ONI).
- Revise Waiver nursing rule to permit greater access to the service, including technology/telehealth.



Open Provider Certification Rule to; Permanent Age/GED waiver Renew DSP Pandemic-era onboarding training



Workgroup to propose MSY/ICF/Add-on reform



Area #3: Process Improvement

- Must-have proposal for contractor
- Stratify HPC
- Compliance reform
- ICF Modernization
- Remote technology



Develop 'Must Have' Proposal for DODD rate contractor and workgroups, including;

- HPC Model (see Stratify and Redefine HPC Services)
- Acuity, Rates, reimbursement and Methodology
- Authorization/Billing Overhaul

Process Improvement /Efficiency

Stratify and Redefine HPC services

- Small group go through rule and remove 'advanced practice' expectations.
- Develop additional 'advanced' HPC service based on stratified service.
- Prepare recommendation for DODD rate expert by 6/30/2022

Process Improvement /Efficiency

Open up Provider Compliance rules for reform including;
New/separate tools for County Boards vs Providers

- Allow for self-reviews for 'PIGS'
- Improve expedited review/self-review process for nationally accredited providers.
- Separate compliance vs TA/support functions at both DODD and local level.



- ICF Modernization to include;
- DDP/AT updates
- Cost Report Updates
- 30 day vacancy/closure



Open Remote Support/Assistive Tech rule to;

- Redefine relationship between HPC provider and tech vendor
- Allow for 15 minute UOS
- Allow virtual Tele-options
- Reconsider rates for active vs passive support