

September 16, 2019

Agenda

* Introductions
* Review purpose of the committee
* Review policy grid and develop guiding principles for grid topics

**PURPOSE OF COMMITTEE** (why it exists**):**

* Provide input and recommendations to the Board of Directors
* Develop and recommend to the Board policies, plans, and recommended courses of action that provide for mission accomplishment and attention to urgent, emerging and strategic issues to define and drive a policy platform.
* All policy relevant work will flow through the Policy Committee. The following committees are considered subcommittees of Policy: Program Directors, Government Relations, Waiver reimbursement, waiver pilot, and ICF committees.

**WORK OF COMMITTEE FOR 2018 - 2019 (what we will accomplish/monitor):** (Based on strategic plan, annual business plan, etc.)

* Develop a work plan with specific outcomes and timelines
* Develop a system and practice of accountability to the committee members, Board of Directors, and membership
* Develop a process to vet policy recommendations across all systems

**OPRA Policy Committee 2019 Topic Review Grid**

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| Provider Certification | Christine Touvelle, Pete Moore, Dave Rastoka,  | end date unknown | Simplified provider trainingGuidelines for new qualified providers  | Unfunded mandates that does not allow for a provider’s creativity and ability to provide training that is specific to the provider’s setting and the needs of the people served. | It is important to trust providers to effectively and efficiently train staff with a basic framework provided by rule. | Next workgroup meeting on  |
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| EVV | Christine Touvelle,  | Began August 5 2019 |  |  | EVV | Christine Touvelle,  |
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| DSP Rate Increase | Pete Moore, Than Johnson | DODD staff working on implementation timeframe and specific rates to start on Jan. 1, 2020 | Rate increase to have direct impact on | Improper messaging of who the rate increase is intended for. | Providers will implement the rate increase in ways that best suits the needs and wants of their staff.  | Delivered suggested draft letter to Dir. Davis. Awaiting  |
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| DSP Rate Verification  | Pete Moore, Jamie Steele |  Timeframe unknown at this time |  A simple process to show that the rate increase was applied to DSPs | A complicated system that opens up providers to more scrutiny | We Trust providers will implement the rate increase in good faith and we support a process that is within the providers current means of financial responsibility | Meeting was on 9/13/19 |
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| ICF Quality Indicators | Lisa Mathis, Gina Kerman | ? | * The quality indicators will fall within the day to day operations required by Medicaid.
* Enhanced ICF services
 | * Additional documentation outside of the current ICF requirements.
* Collection of data that is not needed or used.
 | In improving the quality of ICFs in Ohio. A system that does not burden ICF with requirements/process that do not result in the improve quality of lives for the people we serve. | Next meeting?Feedback from members? |
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| PUCO Requirement and Audits | Pete Moore, Christine Touvelle, Lisa Mathis, Scott Marks, Justin Blumhorst, DODD, Vorys | Audits happening now. Could correlate with NMT rule implementation | * Waive PUCO requirements and avoid layered oversight
* Only apply to large vehicle
 | * Increase cost and administrative oversight for providers.
* More audits to go through
 | * The PUCO requirements add an unnecessary layer of oversight.
* Other entities are excluded are exempted and we should be too.
 | * Director Davis is following up on previous DODD/PUCO conversation.
* OPRA write a letter of concern?
* Gather more data from audits?
* Determine if small vehicles impacted
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| Waiver Workgroup | Pete Moore, Lisa Mathis, Jamie Steele |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Vocational Habilitation | Scott Marks, Lisa Mathis, Christine Touvelle, Phil Miller |  |  |  | Vocational Habilitation | Scott Marks, Lisa Mathis, Christine Touvelle, Phil Miller |
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| One Assessment and Plan | Lisa Mathis,  |  |  |  |  |  |
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