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Medicaid Entitlement Services

- Facility Entitlement
 - Nursing Facility
 - Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation or a Related Condition (ICF/MR-RC)
- Community Entitlement
 - Primary Home Care (PHC)
 - Community Attendant Services (CAS)
 - Day Activity and Health Services (DAHS)

Medicaid Community Services - 1915(c) Waivers

- Nursing Facility Waivers:
 - Community Based Alternatives (CBA)
 - Medically Dependent Children Program (MDCP)
- ICF/MR-RC Waivers:
 - Home and Community-based Services (HCS)
 - Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS)
 - Deaf-Blind with Multiple Disabilities (DBMD)
 - Texas Home Living (TxHmL)
- Consolidated Waiver Program (CWP) (both NF and ICF waiver – available in Bexar County only)

Non-Medicaid Services

- General Revenue Funded Services:
 - MR community services provided through the Community MHMR Centers
 - MR community residential services
 - In-home and Family Support – Regional and Local Services (IHFS-RLS)
 - In-home and Family Support – Mental Retardation (IHFS–MR)
- Community Services and Supports (Title XX Block Grant):
 - Adult foster care
 - Consumer-managed personal assistance services
 - Day Activity and Health Services
 - Emergency response (electronic call system)
 - Family care
 - Home delivered meals
 - Residential care
 - Special services for persons with disabilities

Services and Supports

- Services and supports may include, but are not limited to:
 - Adaptive aids
 - Adult foster care
 - Accompanying individuals to medical treatment
 - Bathing
 - Case management
 - Consumer directed services
 - Day habilitation
 - Dental treatment
 - Dressing
 - Emergency response (electronic call system)
 - Home delivered meals
 - Housekeeping
 - Meal preparation
 - Medical supplies
 - Minor home modifications
 - Nursing and personal care
 - Personal attendant services
 - Physical rehabilitation
 - Rehabilitative therapies
 - Residential Services
 - Respite care
 - Shopping
 - Social, educational and recreational activities
 - Specialized therapies
 - Supported employment
 - Transition assistance services
 - Transportation

Interest Lists

- The Legislature sets funding levels for DADS waiver programs
- Demand typically outweighs availability for community services, so names of interested individuals are placed on interest lists and assessed on a first-come, first-served basis
- When an individual comes to the top of a list, the eligibility determination process begins
- If eligibility is established:
 - the consumer selects a provider,
 - a plan of care is established, and
 - services begin
- While on an interest list, some individuals' needs may be met through other programs

Interest Lists, continued

Program	# Currently Served	# on Interest List	Longest time on Interest List
CBA	21,053	26,717	6-7 years
ICM 1915(c) waiver	4,254	* 3,925	1-2 years
CLASS	4,017	20,633	6-7 years
DBMD	141	23	1-2 years
MDCP	2,430	9,083	2-3 years
HCS	13,639	36,270	8-9 years
STAR+PLUS 1915(c) waiver	8,360	* 2,916	2-3 years
Total	46,916	** 99,567	N/A

These counts reflect the end of April, 2008.

* Individuals who are not SSI eligible and who want 1915(c) CBA-like waiver services are on an interest list. This interest list is managed by DADS and the numbers above reflect those non-SSI individuals on the interest list whose eligibility has not yet been determined.

** Count is duplicated. The unduplicated count is 82,601.
The unduplicated count without STAR+PLUS is 72,911.

Supported Employment

- Supported Employment (SE) assists individuals to obtain and maintain integrated, competitive employment. The SE provider may:
 - Assist with resume and applications
 - Contact potential employers and develop the job
 - Practice interviewing
 - Perform job skills training at the work site
 - Develop and/or strengthen natural (unpaid) supports
 - Coordinate transportation to and from work
 - Provide extended support: regular, on-going contact with individual and employer to assess situation and determine what is needed to maintain stable employment

Supported Employment, continued

- SE is part of the service array in the following DADS programs:
 - Private and Public ICFs/MR-RC
 - General revenue-funded Community MHMR Centers
 - Medicaid 1915(c) waivers:
 - CLASS
 - HCS
 - TxHmL
 - CWP
 - DBMD

Supported Employment, continued

- Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) and DADS roles in supported employment, as defined in the Memorandum of Understanding:
 - **DARS:** As the designated vocational rehabilitation agency, provides time-limited employment services to an individual that results in an individualized, competitive job.
 - **DADS:** As the designated long-term services and supports agency, provides:
 - non-employment supports for an individual receiving DARS services;
 - time-limited employment services for individuals found ineligible for DARS services; and
 - long-term employment supports once DARS services or DADS time-limited employment services have been completed.
- Common goal: Assist consumers in obtaining and maintaining integrated, competitive employment.