



Money Follows the Person Demonstration Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Purpose or Goal: MFP Demonstration Advisory Committee (DAC) Mtg.	Location: BHB 1410
Meeting Date: October 10, 2008	Time: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

MFP Demonstration Advisory Committee Members		
Carole Smith – Absent	Rose Dunaway – Present	Jean Freeman – Absent
Doni Van Ryswyk – Present	Bob Kafka – Present	Ann Denton – Present
Chris Kyker – Absent	Colleen Horton – Absent	Dennis Borel – Absent
James Meadours – Absent	Mike Bright – Absent	Robin Peyson – Absent
Ron Cranston – Absent	Sandy Klein – Absent	Susanne Elrod – Absent
<i>Steve Ashman, MPFD Project Director</i>	<i>Crystal Baker, DADS Staff</i>	<i>Marc Gold, DADS, PI Initiative</i>

Attendees		
Terri Richard, DADS, QAI	Brenda Hull, TDHCA	Aaron Michaels, DADS
Judy Sinclair, DFPS	Sarah Hambrick, HHSC	Dena Stoner, DSHS
Audrey Deckinga, HHSC	Judy Harwood, DADS	Haley Watkins, Advocacy, Inc.
Angela Lello, TCDD	Martha Moyer	

Agenda Items	Key Information and Outcome/Conclusion
Welcome and Introductions	Steve Ashman welcomed those in attendance and via scan call. Everyone introduced themselves.
Review Minutes of Last Meeting (July 11, 2008)	Those present reviewed the minutes; corrections noted by Brenda Hull, TDHCA.
MFP Demonstration update	
CMS MFPD Site Visit <i>Steve Ashman</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CMS Site Visit will take place November 12-14. ▪ An agenda is still being finalized but a key portion will involve meeting key staff, CTT and Behavioral Health Pilot visit and home visits to MFPD participants.
MFPD Enrollments <i>Steve Ashman</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CBA numbers are lower than expected and DADS continues to provide additional education and guidance to Case Managers about the program. ▪ Bob Kafka asked if these numbers are reflected in the numbers reported at PIAC. Marc responded that they are; the PIAC numbers include everyone.
Quality of Life Survey <i>Steve Ashman</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The QoL survey will take place two weeks prior to discharge and around the 11th and 12th month post-transition. ▪ The contract allows for a telephone survey to be conducted for people re-institutionalized. ▪ NACES will provide monthly status reports to DADS. ▪ Bob Kafka asked if the surveys were available for review. Steve responded that the Quality of Life Survey is available on the website and he will send to all MFP DAC members.
Amendment 1 to Operational Protocol <i>Steve Ashman</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The term “overnight support services” has been changed to “overnight companion services” and minor changes were made to rates and budget. ▪ Behavioral Health (substance abuse) clarification and fee structure. ▪ DSHS will bill in fifteen minute increments, not by an hour. ▪ The housing benchmark is amended to include finance agencies and the PIAC <i>will be asked to review proposed amendments to housing plans.</i>

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<p>Amendment 1 to Operational Protocol Continued <i>Steve Ashman</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Add pre-transition treatment for substance abuse to the Behavioral Health Pilot. ▪ Requesting to add pre-transition relocation services. The reimbursement will be split 75% for pre-transition and 25% for post-transition services. ▪ The question was asked how the contractors will coordinate the pre-assessment prior to discharge since the approval process tends to happen quickly. Case managers estimate the date of discharge and contractor is required to confirm or change the date prior to visiting the prospective MFPD participant. ▪ Bob Kafka asked if there was anyway to cut down on the people involved and to clarify if the survey is required for MFP services. Steve and Marc explained the survey must be conducted by an outside source and is only required for the MFP demonstration, not the regular MFP program.
<p>Behavioral Health Pilot <i>Dena Stoner</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 19 people are enrolled, 10 are currently in the community. All referrals have come from STAR+Plus HMO's. ▪ Pre-transition services have proven to be important because people are in need of recovery services while still in the nursing facility. ▪ Paperwork has been submitted to CMS to fund pre-transition services as part of the MFP Demonstration. ▪ Technical changes are also being made as well accounting changes to cover substance abuse. ▪ Bob Kafka asked to clarify that services are being coordinated through STAR+Plus. Dena Stoner clarified that the non-waiver services are being coordinated and provided through the Center for Health Care Services, the local Mental Health Authority.
<p>Overnight Companion Services <i>Marc Gold</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One person is enrolled; four are pending. ▪ Rose Dunaway commented on the rate. It is hard to find someone willing to work for the pay. Steve responded that the region should portray the rate as a daily, not hourly rate. Rose also suggests to document when the individual begins requiring more assistance as this services is not intended to be Personal Attendant Services.
<p>ICF/MR Voluntary Closure <i>Marc Gold</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ We do have one voluntary closure. Information will be more forthcoming when an agreement is signed by all parties and each resident, staff and family/LARs have been notified. ▪ Two more applications have been received. ▪ Hailey Watkins asked how this will be announced. Marc stated a press release could be posted to the website and it will be announced at PIAC. ▪ Bob Kafka asked if the 37% reported to have already transitioned from state schools and ICF/MR's was current information. Steve responded yes.
<p>Review of MFPD Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CBA numbers are lower than expected. Enrollment begins at the time the individual enrolls in the waiver, not when they agree to participate (sign the informed consent form). ▪ Bob Kafka asked why STAR+Plus was not broken down by SSI and MAO. Terri Richards explained that when the program was initiated, it was coded as one item. ▪ A total of 393 participants have been enrolled to date, however this report indicates only 377 are currently enrolled. The first figure is all enrollments since the MFP Demonstration began. The second figure is the number of people who have active Plans of Care on the last day of the month.

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<p>Review of MFPD Reports Continued</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bob Kafka asked why there is big difference between CLASS and HCS enrollments. Marc explained CLASS transition from nursing facilities but does not have a residential model; HCS transition from state schools and large ICF/MRs which does have a residential model. ▪ Rose Dunaway asked if a data look back was done for CLASS as done for CBA. Steve responded no, the numbers are too low.
<p>Review MFPD Semi-Annual Report to CMS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bob Kafka asked where it shows in the report how many are leaving ICF/MRs and State Schools. Steve identified the area of the report. ▪ The report will be amended as it did not include STAR+Plus expenditures which account for approximately 30% of enrollments. ▪ Guardianship information is not available so not included in the report. ▪ Quality Assurance is working with Family and Protective Services to exchange electronic information on critical incidents.
<p>Proposed TDHCA Rule Changes</p>	<p>Brenda Hull reported the completion of six public hearings. Rule changes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Increase in TBRA administrative fee to 6%. ▪ Increase the dollar amount of homebuyer assistance that can be provided per household based on household size and income. The amount can range from \$10,000 to \$20,000. ▪ Housing Tax Credit Program will provide an additional 30% boost in the cost basis for supportive housing developments if the developer sets-aside units for people with incomes at less than 30% of AMI. ▪ A Supportive Housing definition has been added to the rules. ▪ Integrated housing rules allow no more than 18 and 36 percent of the units to be set aside for people with disabilities in large and small developments, respectively.
<p>Quarterly Activities (January to present, 2008)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DADS, HHSC, and DSHS have been working diligently to collect information from eleven different systems for Phase II of the QAI database. ▪ Steve gave a presentation to the Texas Association of Area Agencies on Aging. ▪ Steve attended several community transition team meetings. ▪ Steve met with seven of the top ten largest housing authorities. Next year he will make visits to 25 PHAs as required under the MPFD. ▪ CMS will allow MFPD enrollment flexibility for those participants that had to evacuate/relocate from their facilities due to Hurricane Ike.
<p>Public Comments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Martha Moyer asked what kind of facilities were to be closed voluntarily. Steve responded that they are medium or large community ICF/MR's with 9+ beds. ▪ Haley Watkins asked that surveys will be conducted for people who are re-institutionalized. Steve responded that the survey contract allows for NACES to conduct this type of survey. Once the survey process is up and running smoothly, we will add this component.



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Action Items	Assigned To
Steve responded that the Quality of Life Survey is available on the website and he will send to all MFP DAC members.	Steve Ashman

Next Meeting Date:	January 9, 2009, 2:00-4:00pm Brown-Heatley Building, Room 1410
Below are the meeting dates through 2010. All meetings will be from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Brown-Heatley Bldg, Room 1410.	
2009	2010
January 9	January 15
April 10	April 9
July 10	July 9
October 9	