



9-14-22

## Budget Authority Workgroup Agenda

Join Zoom Meeting

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### 1. Welcome – Jan

Attending: Jan Lampman, Courtney Trunk, Todd Koopman, Melissa Frash, Stephanie Laird, Angela Martin, Pat Carver, Heather Hallett, Laura Demeuse, Marie Eagle, Tonya Lawrence, Tayler McQuay, Sheryl Stumbaugh, Sheryl Kuenzer, Tedra Jackson

### 2. Update on Ottawa Community Mental Health

- We are beginning sessions on 9/20/22 through Jan 2023 (19ppl)



### 3. Initial Survey Report – Angela

- Survey closed 9/9/22 | 234 Responses (258 previously)
  - Mostly responses from family members
  - 34 people with disabilities
  - (could identify with more than 1 category)
- Which SD Arrangement = Direct fire or purchase svcs
- Using budget for = Supports Coord + Clinical svcs
- Want to use budget for = Goods/svcs
- Who's your PIHP? = no idea
- Who's your CMH? = Oakland
- Know about tech requirement? = Sort of, not really

- Future surveys? =Yeah
- Questions/Comments:
  - Tedra: if someone else does a person's independent facilitation, is that considered independent facilitation? Or is that supports brokering? Or Peer delivered services?
  - Angela: we need to define the difference to capture accurate evaluation of knowledge base + safeguards.
  - Sheryl S: It's easy to confuse independent support coordination with independent facilitation. Need better access to information.
- Submit questions/ comments by next week

#### **4. What do we want Budget Authority to Look Like in Michigan?**



- Figure out staff wage
- Peer support from individuals with disabilities and have experience with how to budget.
- One service does not negate another (you can have more than one service)
- Training and support /mentoring on what "authority" is for those implementing services.
- Less cumbersome rules
- Direct Payments to individuals
- Consistency across state (i.e., pay rates, etc.)
- Shift from claim/compliance to true budget authority
- Universal implementation of the practice
- Revised waiver & contract language that includes clear and plain language about what can be purchased
- Determine everything that can be simple and straightforward and what absolutely must be individualized, controlled and authorized by the individual - then make those things simple and straightforward and train everyone on how to best support the person-driven pieces.

- So pretty much, just make everything simpler.
- Who has access? Literally anyone. Programs are the worst.
- Send any additions to Jill, then we'll compile/sort and figure out what's next.
  - Next up, the "how to"

## 5. MDHHS Update – Laura



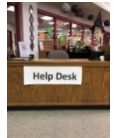
Written report sent. Any questions?

- Sent on Friday, Sept 9<sup>th</sup>
- Can this group assist conference planning committee for next year?
  - Yes. Email Laura. [demeusel@michigan.gov](mailto:demeusel@michigan.gov)
- What questions are we looking to ask?
  - Budget authority infrastructure

## 6. Help Desk Update - Heather

Written report sent. Any questions?

- Increase in budget questions, increase from Ottawa Co.



## 7. S-D Table - Jill

Finalizing pictures and draft will be sent out.  
Coming soon...

## 8. Other

- Alleged leadership in Lewiston re: budget authority?
- Required trainings for an employee directing services – no consistency. Need universal implementation of something (anything) consistent. – 98 contracts in MI, each w/ a different list. – Maybe a training? -Minimum state mandated trainings and anything special according to their IPOS-nursing related and that is it!

- Re: training, provide standard overall/basic, reciprocal - THEN include specialized training depending on situation.
- Pay people for training. Obviously.
- Tech Requirements: <https://tinyurl.com/4uxtd75r>
- CMS has 0 required trainings (Mental Health code does, however) – Melissa will send link to Jill
- There IS language requiring payment for training. (Dept Of Labor, Federal Fair Labor Standards Act)
- “universal” feels too big. Maybe “state wide” works better?

## 9. Future Meeting Schedule – 10:30 a.m. - noon

- ⚙ **10/12/22**
- ⚙ **11/09/22**
- ⚙ **12/14/22**

