

Medicaid Report to the Developmental Disabilities Council

October 2011 Report

Waiver Updates

New Opportunities Waiver

Opportunities Allocated	8,832
Recipients Linked and Certified	7,789 as of 9/14/11

- The NOW renewal was approved by CMS for 5 year period effective July 1, 2011.

Children's Choice Waiver

Opportunities Allocated	1,475 (including 425 opportunities reserved for children who meet state-funded family support priority level 1 or 2)
Recipients Linked and Certified	1,259 (includes 365 opportunities filled by children who meet the above stated priority group) as of 9/14/11

Supports Waiver

Opportunities Allocated	2,050
Recipients Linked and Certified	1,766 as of 9/14/11

Residential Options Waiver (ROW)

Opportunities Allocated	210
Recipients Linked and Certified	26 s of 9/14/11

- The ROW evidentiary report was forwarded to CMS on June 27, 2011. We expect to receive a response to our evidentiary report from CMS by September 30, 2011.

- The ROW rule was updated and published May 2011 (includes all target groups and Crisis Diversion criteria)

Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Waiver

Opportunities Allocated	825
Recipients Linked and Certified	752 as of 9/14/11

Elderly and Disabled Adult (EDA) Waiver

Opportunities Allocated	4,603 (includes 75 opportunities reserved for the ALS priority group)
Recipients Linked and Certified	4,364 as of 9/14/11

- The Community Choices waiver will replace the EDA waiver effective October 1, 2011. The Community Choices Waiver will include a more comprehensive menu of services, including home delivered meals, assistive devices and medical supplies, and non-medical transportation, in addition to the services currently offered under the EDA waiver.

Money Follows the Person

- Approximately 179 individuals have transitioned through the MFP program since fall 2009. Year-to-date, approximately 82 individuals have transitioned through the MFP program.
- To help address housing issues, an application has been made for a Real Choice Systems Change partnership grant. OCDD is directing this activity.
- The Quality of Life survey contractor began work in April and continues to timely collect survey data at transition and at the 11-month and 24-month follow-ups.
- MVA continues to collaborate with OBH to leverage the 1915b waiver and proposed 1915i state plan amendment into the MFP demonstration. The waiver and state plan documents have been forwarded to CMS, but not yet approved.

Self-Direction

- There are currently 105 recipients participating in the self-direction option, as of September 13, 2011.
- A three year contract has been awarded through the Request for Proposal process to Acumen Fiscal Agent to perform fiscal management services effective August 1, 2011.

General Medicaid Issues Affecting the DD Population

Budget Reductions

For FY12, as HB1 stands today, we are fortunate that no new provider cuts are anticipated to be made to the DD population.

Statewide Management Organization Contract

Act 343 of the 2007 Regular Legislative Session directed DHH to establish a Statewide Management Organization (SMO) to oversee all behavioral health services. An SMO contract will allow Medicaid to better utilize the services which exist, cut costs per individual served, reduce fraud, increase the use of evidence-based interventions among providers and increase the availability of qualified mental health providers throughout the state. An SMO contract also has the potential to reduce redundancies throughout state agencies, expand services including substance abuse treatment and residential services, and target youth at risk for out of home placements.