

Access Standards:

The Access Standards are included in the FY 2010 MDCH site visit. Results and trends from FY 2010 site visits completed thus far will be reviewed with MDCH to determine if additional technical assistance is needed.

Waiting List Guidelines

MDCH issued this guideline to the field on April 15th as a draft technical advisory for 30 day public review and comment. MDCH is currently reviewing comments and input.

Needs Assessment

This workgroup, under the chairmanship of David Schneider, has developed a detailed work plan and is currently in the information gathering & analysis phase to determine core elements and requirements for community needs assessment. This workgroup will be presenting at the June 2010 Improving Outcomes Conference.

Casemanagement/Supports Coordination Core Competencies

MDCH staff Nora Barkey and TSG Director Laura Vredevelde are jointly leading this project using an advisory group for ongoing feedback. The goal of this effort is to identify core competencies (skills, abilities, knowledge) required for individuals in the role of CM/Supports Coord. Draft competencies have been developed and are currently under review by a variety of stakeholders

Active Engagement

The draft document produced by a subgroup of the DD PIT is undergoing revision based on significant stakeholder feedback. This document will include definitions and characteristics of active meaningful engagement and community inclusion for adults with developmental disabilities.

Enhanced Data Submission

TSG has developed draft guidelines for submitting client-specific, timely data to DCH related to critical incidents. The document includes types of incidents, definitions, reportable populations, and timelines for potential reporting. A technical workgroup has developed file submission formats, technical schemas, data parameters and definitions. A subgroup of CIO forum members is currently developing the data warehouse for statewide use for implementation October 2010. Members of this workgroup will be presenting at the June 2010 Improving Outcomes conference.

Administrative Efficiencies

TSG Director is meeting informally with various providers who contract with multiple CMHSP's or PIHP's to hear their suggestions for areas for focused efforts toward administrative efficiencies and consistency. TSG Director is participating on the MDCH Quality Council workgroup looking at the site review processes and other reporting and monitoring efficiencies.

Direct Support Staff Development

TSG Director is participating in early planning efforts with a PIHP, MDCH, and PHI towards a pilot project and solicitation of grant funding from DELEG for identification of core competencies, curriculum development, and training for Direct Support Staff.

Other TSG Activities

The TSG Executive Committee has held preliminary discussions related to its role in the early adoption of health care reform as well as the Medicaid capitation development process. Additional discussion will occur at the June 18, 2010 meeting of the TSG Executive Committee and Full TSG Board.