



Office of Comprehensive Services Legislative Activities 2008

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Comprehensive Services Act (CSA)

- **Intent: Child Centered, Family Focused, Community Based**
- **2007-2008: Approximately 19,000 children served at a cost of approximately \$382 million**
- **2008 General Assembly focus: change to better serve children and contain costs**



General Assembly Actions

- **Match Rate Incentives**
 - Reduce reliance on congregate care
- **Intensive Care Coordination**
 - Utilization review/management
- **Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS)**
 - Assessment tool to improve service planning and outcome measures



General Assembly Actions (cont.)

- **Match rate workgroup**
- **Study other issues:**
 - **Communication and collaboration with the Department of Juvenile Justice and the Department of Education**
- **Maximize use of Medicaid funds.**
- **Appropriated funds for training.**



Implementation of Match Rate Changes

- **Appropriation Act Language Chapter 847 requires a 50% reduction in the locality Match Rate for Community Based Services beginning July 1, 2008 (FY 2009)**
- **The SEC approved the Service Placement Type definitions and the associated match rates at the June 2008 meeting.**



Implementation of Match Rate Changes (cont.)

- **OCS Staff developed and conducted regional trainings for Match Rate Changes in July and August**
- **6 trainings in 5 regional sites were conducted with 219 attendees**
- **The new Pool Fund report was made available on line in June 2008.**



Implementation of Match Rate Changes (cont.)

- **The Pool Fund Report was put in live production August 1, 2008.**
- **The additional residential match increase screen for the Pool Fund will be developed in October and available for use in January 2009**
- **The Supplemental reporting system will be modified to reflect the new expenditure categories and match rates by November 1, 2008**



Implementation of Data Set Changes

In the last legislative session the following additions to the Data Set were added to the statute (Chapter 277):

- **Provider identification number for specific facilities and programs**
- **The circumstances under which the child ends each service**
- **The circumstances under which the child exits the CSA program.**



Implementation of Data Set Changes (cont.)

- **New services placement type definitions and match rate changes were incorporated into the data set changes working collaboratively with**
- **Private IT vendors and CSA users collaborated in implementing the changes**



Implementation of Data Set Changes (cont.)

- **Staff developed and conducted regional trainings for Data Set Changes in July and August**
- **6 trainings in 5 regional sites, in conjunction with the Match Rate trainings, were conducted with 219 attendees**



Implementation of Data Set Changes (cont.)

- **The Web Based Data Set Reporting System was available for FY 2009 updates in mid August 2008 (51 localities utilize this System)**
- **Proprietary vendors are required to have modifications in place to have the December 2008 report completed by January 31, 2009**



Medicaid Maximization

- **DMAS and OCS distributed a memo, approved in the September 2008 SEC meeting, outlining strategies for increasing the appropriate use of Medicaid reimbursable services**
- **DMAS is providing training on Maximizing Medicaid use in CSA.**



CANS implementation

- **Virginia adaptation of Indiana tool accomplished.**
- **Four regional trainings completed in spring/early summer.**
- **Licensure agreement to share software completed and signed by both Indiana and Virginia.**
- **Online training and certification website created and active. Approximately 355 certified.**
- **Paper version in use.**
- **Agency request for Procurement and Sole Source Request approved by VITA to contract with RCR.**
- **Dr. John Lyons to conduct five “Super User” training events beginning in November.**



Intensive Care Coordination

- **OCS and Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services (DMHMRSAS) led group of stakeholders in development of standard guidelines for Intensive Care Coordination (ICC)**
- **Guidelines provide Intensive Care Coordinator job description; define the role of CSBs in oversight and implementation; and, guidance for eligibility, referral and billing.**
- **Public comment and SLAT comment in August**



Intensive Care Coordination (cont.)

- **Passed SEC in August with directive to form implementation team to assist communities with:**
 - **CSB as responsible entity but ability to contract with others to provide service**
 - **Payment for service**
 - **Prioritizing cases to receive service as program is being implemented**



Match Rate Work Group

- **Designed to:**
 - **develop a plan to measure outcomes**
 - **evaluate impact of changes on local and state administration of the program.**
 - **evaluate the feasibility of a managed care approach**
- **Meetings led by Deputy Secretary Heidi Dix. were held in July and August with another planned for October**



Other Workgroups:

- **Evaluate Communication with Department of Juvenile Justice**
 - **Completed: ongoing communication with judges and DJJ accepted as task of CORE**
- **Evaluate communication with the Department of Education.**
 - **Examination of increased use of special education private day placements**
 - **Improvements in communications between local schools and CSA system**



Other Workgroups (cont.)

- **Training Workgroup**
 - **Targets CSA Coordinators, Family Assessment and Planning Teams, and Community Policy and Management Teams**
 - **Supports Intensive Care Coordination and match rate incentive implementation**
 - **Connects CSA to CORE activities**