

Children's Long-Term Support (CLTS) Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 11, 2015
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Crowne Plaza
Madison, WI 53178

Council Members Present: Liz Hecht (Chairperson), Cheryl Berg, Charity Eleson, Sharon Fleischfresser (via phone), Dan Idzikowski; Darsell Johns, Barbara Katz, Jodi Pelishek, John Shaw, Melissa Stoltz, Julie Turkoske,

DHS Guests: Beth Wroblewski, Pam Lano

DHS Council Staff: Camille Rodriguez

Public Attendees: none

The meeting commenced at 10:12 AM.

1. Welcome and Introductions – Liz Hecht, Chairperson

- Review of Agenda
- Council members, Department of Health Services (DHS) staff introduced themselves.

2. Public Testimony

- There were no public attendees.

3. Department of Health Services (DHS) Updates – Beth Wroblewski

- DHS Chief Policy Officer Beth Wroblewski addressed the most current budget proposal and how it touches children's program services.
 - Family Support Program and Children's Community Options Program (CCOP): Beth explained that the proposal intends to maximize resources while streamlining administrative costs for the waiver agencies and for DHS. While policies have yet to be written, the DHS expects that current services associated with the Family Support Program (FSP) will be present in the proposed Children's COP. Beth noted that language within statute that is not people-first or that is no longer relevant will need to be addressed. The Council agreed to meet this week with Beth to go over the FSP and COP language, to recommend changes. Council members expressed concerns about loss of the values of Family Support Program during this change.
- Bureau of Children's Services (BCS) Updates: Camille Rodriguez, Director BCS
 - Care4Kids Foster Care Medical Home updates: one year ago, the program had 179 foster care children enrolled. Currently, the program has over 2,500 members. Physical, behavioral and dental services are provided, and foster children remain enrolled one year after being placed to ensure continuity of care.
 - Infant, Toddler and Family (ITF) Waiver or "Birth to 3" Waiver application update: The BCS is currently working to respond to multiple questions about the waiver submission, as posed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The ITF Waiver application is currently in a status referred to as 'off the clock.' Simply stated, if CMS is in a formal review mode for a waiver, the waiver is 'on the clock,' and 90 days exist by which the CMS can request more information and by which the DHS can respond. When the waiver is 'off the clock,' the CMS and the DHS has more time to work on any clarifications or issues. Currently, the DHS is examining service code definitions and expanding or clarifying those at the request of CMS.
 - Early, Periodic, Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) and Autism Treatment Services: Camille provided an update regarding the CMS requirement to transfer coverage of

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) treatment services to the Medicaid State Plan benefit or 'ForwardHealth' card and the required termination of coverage of those services through the current Home and Community-Based 1915(c) waivers in the BCS. The Division of Health Care Access and Accountability (DHCAA) and the Division of Long Term Care (DLTC) are working with project managers and a projected timeline, which includes submission of an application for amendment to the CLTS Waivers and a Medicaid State Plan Amendment by October 2015. The projected implementation is January 1, 2017. The project plan includes stakeholder outreach.

4. Council Discussion:

- Council member Dan Idzikowski requested the agenda for the council meetings be provided to members at least one week in advance of the meeting.

5. Operational

- Council members reviewed minutes of the CLTS Council meeting held October 2014. Barb K. made a motion to approve the October 2014 meeting minutes; John S. seconded the motion; motion carries.

6. CLTS Council Meeting Adjournment

The Council meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM.