

**CLTS Council  
Minutes  
November 11, 2010**

Council Chairperson: Liz Hecht

Council Members: Fredi Bove, Cheryl Berg, Lynn Breedlove, Hugh Davis, Sharon Fleischfresser, Melanie Fralick, Sue Gilbertson, Barbara Katz, Keith Keller, Sally Mather, Jodi Pelishek, Saphronia Purnell, Katie Sepnieski, John Shaw, Julie Turkoske, Linda Van Ness, Beth Wroblewski

DHS Staff: Tracey Brent, Julie Bryda, Laura Hanson

Guests: Laura Birnbaum-Singler, UW Master's of Social Work Student, Charity Eleson, Luxvida LLC, Donna Winnick, Dane County for Lynn Green

**I. Welcome and Introductions-Liz Hecht**

- a. Review of Agenda

**II. Approval of the minutes**

- a. John Shaw made a motion to approve the minutes
- b. Barbara Katz seconded motion
- c. All approved

**III. Proposed dates for 2011 Meetings**

- a. 2011 CLTS Council dates discussed however there are a few conflicts with council members.
- b. DHS will work with members to determine the future dates and an announcement will be placed on the Department website.

**IV. Why Aren't Children Included in ADRC's-Liz Hecht**

ADRCs have been designed to work with individuals with disabilities and elders based on principles of self-determination and individualized outcomes. Children's long-term supports are designed to work with families supporting children and youth with disabilities based on family-centered and directed principles and child outcomes achieved within their family. A "one-size fits all" model will not effectively meet the needs of children or adults.

The Children's Long-Term Support Functional Screen requires a unique set of skills and knowledge. The expertise needed to accurately complete the CLTS Functional Screen is extensive. This differs significantly from the adult screen. There are opportunities for coordination between the adult and

children's system in transition planning for young adults leaving the CLTS system and entering the adult system. There will however, still be the need for policy, procedure, and protocols regarding eligibility and service availability at times of transition.

Children have unique developmental needs that require coordination with multiple systems such as child welfare, juvenile justice, and foster care. A CLTS unified intake model in development through Compass Wisconsin: Threshold builds on an existing statewide infrastructure with years of expertise with children in intake and eligibility activities: the Katie Beckett Program Network. Threshold provides eligibility for four CLTS programs: CLTS-MA Waiver (including autism eligibility), FSP, COP, and Katie Beckett. For more information on Threshold go to: [www.compasswisconsin.org](http://www.compasswisconsin.org).

## **V. Children's Long-Term Support Updates-Beth Wroblewski and Julie Bryda**

- a. Enrollment and Utilization of CLTS Waiver Funds
  - i. Cost estimated to keep serving current children on waiver is \$25.5 million in 2011 and \$26.2 million in 2012.
  - ii. Autism waiver remains at \$41.7 million/year in 11-13 biennium.
- b. Autism Insurance Mandate
  - i. Wait list is currently about 11 ½ months with about 275 children on the wait list.
  - ii. Insurance mandate significantly lowers cost to the waiver from around \$41,000 to around \$10,000.
- c. Waiver Simplification
  - i. Application and Recertification forms have been updated to streamline review and approval.
  - ii. October-December is voluntary trial of new forms, starting December 1<sup>st</sup> new streamlined process is mandatory.
- d. DHS data
  - i. As of October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010 there are 4956 children participating in the CLTS Waivers.

## **VI. CMS Renewal-Beth Wroblewski and Laura Hanson**

- a. CMS requires six assurances which are: Level of Care, Service Plan, Qualified Providers, Health and Welfare, Administrative Authority, and Financial Accountability.
- b. The 5 year renewal is due by August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011.
- c. Renewal requires three separate waivers, one for each target group.

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**VII. 2011-2013 Biennium Budget-Fredi Bove**

- a. Department budget was submitted in September
  - i. \$210 million added to the Medicaid base re-estimate.
  - ii. Request to expand Family Care and IRIS.

**VIII. CLTS Budget Recommendations**

- a. Expand Compass Wisconsin: Threshold from roughly 5% of children to 25% of children as well as improved coordination and delivery of services and supports.

**IX. Council Adjourned 3:10**