Medicaid Innovation Accelerator Program

2016 State Medicaid - Housing Partnerships: State Examples

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Welcome

- Melanie Brown
- Technical Director, Disabled and Elderly Health Program Group, Division of Community Systems Transformation
Purpose & Learning Objectives

• States will:
  – Improve their understanding of the benefits of state Medicaid-housing partnerships that foster community living opportunities
  – Identify additional types of collaborators for these partnerships
  – Learn about promising practices to develop and build cross-agency partnerships
  – Learn about state strategies for effective coordination between services and housing
Agenda

• Overview: 2016 Medicaid Innovation Accelerator Program State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partnerships Track
• Oregon’s Experience Building State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partnerships
• New Jersey’s Experience Building State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partnerships
• Questions and Answers
• Closing Comments
• **Steve Eiken**
• Research Manager,
  IBM Watson Health
Oregon Speakers

• **Mike Morris**
  Behavioral Health Policy Administrator, Oregon Health Authority

• **Lisa Sloane** *(Moderator)*
  Senior Policy Advisor, Technical Assistance Collaborative

• **Kenny LaPoint**
  Public Affairs Director, Oregon Housing and Community Services
New Jersey Speakers

• Joe Bongiovanni
  Director, Managed LTSS and Contract Logistics, New Jersey Division of Medical Assistance

• Kevin Martone
  (Moderator)
  Executive Director, Technical Assistance Collaborative

• Janel Winter
  Director, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Housing & Community Resources
Overview: 2016 State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partnerships Track

Steve Eiken, IBM Watson Health
2016 State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partnerships Track

• An intensive track focused on building collaborations between state Medicaid agencies, state housing finance agencies, public housing agencies, and others

• Eight states: California, Connecticut, Hawaii, Illinois, Kentucky, Nevada, New Jersey, and Oregon

• May through December 2016
2016 State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partnerships Track

• IAP worked closely with its federal partners on planning and coordination.
  – Department of Housing and Urban Development
  – Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
  – Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation
  – US Interagency Council on Homelessness

• The goal was to facilitate state Medicaid-Housing Agency partnerships to foster community living opportunities using direct technical support activities
2016 State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partnerships Track

Common Beneficiaries of Interest

- People who are Homeless and/or Chronically Homeless: 7
- People with Mental Illness and/or Substance Use Disorder: 4
- People with Complex/High Needs: 3
- People Transitioning to Community Settings Including MFP: 3
- People at Risk of Homelessness: 2

Data compiled from Expression of Interest forms
MFP: Money Follows the Person
Partnership States’ Key Accomplishments

• Establishment of cross-agency partnerships

• Alignment of multiple existing housing and health care initiatives

• Development or expansion of data matching to target resources and examine costs and outcomes.
  – Medicaid and Homelessness Management Information Systems (MMIS/HMIS)
  – Medicaid managed care data and HMIS
Partnership States’ Key Accomplishments (Cont’d)

• Identification of resources to create additional community living opportunities

• Engagement and coordination with key stakeholders:
  – Local public housing agencies
  – Landlords
  – County service agencies
  – Managed care organizations
  – Service providers
Oregon’s Experience Building State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partnerships

Mike Morris, Oregon Health Authority
Kenny LaPoint, Oregon Housing and Community Services
Historical Relationship Between Housing and Services

- Historic need for safe and affordable housing for individuals with disabilities and individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Housing elevated in the 2016 Oregon Performance Plan negotiated with US Department of Justice.
- Leverage for supported housing as a result of a 2016 analysis by the Center for Outcomes Research and Education.
- The state housing agency and health care authority started to build a relationship as part of the US Housing & Urban Development 811 Project Rental Assistance (PRA) application.
Opportunities Presented from IAP Participation

• Formed an IAP Core Team with active participation by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), the Department of Human Services, Aging and People with Disabilities (DHS-APD), and Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS)
• Obtained buy-in from Agency Leadership
• Identified cross-systems strategies for increasing community-integrated housing opportunities
• Used the initiative to garner additional stakeholder support
• Learned from experiences of other states involved in the IAP track, such as data sharing
Current Activities

- Active interagency coordination stopped for a few months, but the interagency relationships continued.
- Are about to kick-off a Supportive/Supported Housing Workgroup jointly staffed by OHA and OHCS.
- The workgroup will explore needed policies or policy revisions that will facilitate access to affordable housing and support services.
Current Activities (Cont’d)

• OHCS and OHA working collaboratively to leverage OHCS pipeline and owner relationships to develop supportive/supported housing units using OHA capital funds as well as Section 811 PRA funds.

• OHCS and OHA collaborated to provide over $10 million in development funding to those looking to build supportive and supported housing in Oregon.
Discussion with Oregon

Mike Morris, Oregon Health Authority
Kenny LaPoint, Oregon Housing and Community Service

Facilitator: Lisa Sloane, Technical Assistance Collaborative
New Jersey’s Experience Building State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partnerships

Joe Bongiovanni, New Jersey Department of Human Services
Janel Winter, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs
Goals for Participating in the IAP 2016 Partnerships Track

• Draft a proposal for supportive housing services for Medicaid-eligible individuals experiencing or at-risk of homelessness

• Identify new and leverage existing funding sources to support supportive housing services and capital costs

• Use data to drive policy recommendations in the development and design of a fully operational supportive housing benefit

• Embed needs of targeted populations within mainstream housing system
Accomplishments During IAP 2016 Partnerships Track

• Established consistent inter-agency partnerships with open lines of communication

• Developed a better understanding of New Jersey’s housing resources, opportunities, and challenges

• Began work on data analysis projects related to housing involving Medicaid Claims and HMIS data

• Identified specifically what is needed to provide supportive housing to someone with long-term care needs, including pre- and post-tenancy services
Continued Partnership After IAP
2016 Partnerships Track

• Developed managed care organization contract requirements for a housing specialist

• Increased collaboration on stakeholder outreach and implementation of agencies’ housing-related work
  – Presentations by Department of Human Services (DHS) division leaders at a Continuum of Care Convening on Homelessness hosted by the Department of Community Affairs (DCA)
  – DCA worked with DHS divisions in advance of two statewide waiting list openings to ensure targeted populations submitted applications for housing waiting lists; this resulted in more submissions by people with special needs
Discussion with New Jersey

Joe Bongiovanni, New Jersey Department of Human Services
Janel Winter, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs

Facilitator: Kevin Martone, Technical Assistance Collaborative
Discussion & Questions
Closing Comments

Melanie Brown, CMCS
Key Takeaways

Participation in 2016 IAP Partnerships Track helped states to:

• Obtain buy-in from agency leadership and to garner additional stakeholder support
• Identify new and leverage existing funding sources to support housing-related services and capital costs
• Use data to drive policy recommendations in the development and design of a fully operational supportive housing benefit
• Identify cross-systems strategies for increasing community-integrated housing opportunities
Reminder: Expressions of Interest for 2017 Partnerships Track Due Soon

Due: Midnight, June 8, 2017
Email form to: MedicaidIAP@cms.hhs.gov
Key Dates

June 8, 2017:
Expression of Interest Forms due to CMS

June 12 – 23, 2017:
CMS holds 1:1 calls with interested states

July 2017:
State selection and kick-off call with coaches

August 2017:
Program support begins with in-person meeting
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