



VT Health Care Innovation Project Core Team Meeting Minutes

Pending Core Team Approval

Date of meeting: Monday, June 15, 2015, 2:00pm – 2:45pm, 4th Floor Conference Room, Pavilion Building, 109 State Street, Montpelier

Agenda Item	Discussion	Next Steps
1. Welcome and Chair's Report	<p>Lawrence Miller called the meeting to order at 2:00. A roll-call was taken and a quorum was present.</p> <p>Chair's Report There will be a project-wide convening on June 17th. The focus will be on the revised milestones for the project, with particular emphasis on how to implement them.</p> <p>Paul Bengston asked if there will be additional materials sent out - preparatory materials were sent out in the evening on Friday, June 12th. Invitations to the convening were sent to the Core Team, project staff, work group co-chairs, stakeholders, ACOs, VITL and the Health Care Advocate's office.</p> <p>Update on negotiations with CMMI Lawrence noted that project leadership is talking to CMMI daily with regard to approval of our pending Year 2 contracts. Submissions continue and documentation is being prepared again to divide the milestones into Year 1 and Year 2. Project leaders will be meeting with Commissioner Reardon and the CFO of AHS to discuss potential implication if the State does not receive approvals before the end of the state fiscal year.</p> <p>OneCare Vermont Financial Request Per the request of Susan Wehry and Paul Bengston at the last Core Team meeting, OneCare Vermont has provided additional information to support their proposal for additional funding in Year 2. This proposal, along with the one received from CHAC, will be discussed and voted on at the July 23rd Core Team meeting.</p> <p>Paul stated that he was also looking for exactly how much money was left in the overall SIM budget that could</p>	

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	<p>be applied to the requests.</p> <p>Georgia stated that while all of the sub-grant program dollars are committed, the ACOs did not use that line item as a funding source last year. ACO funding came from three budget lines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality measure • Practice transformation • Data quality <p>Currently there are still some unallocated funds in each of these budget categories. There is approximately \$2.2M unallocated in the carryforward request that is also available for use by the Core Team. The total potential of \$9M is available if larger appropriations are desired by the Core Team.</p> <p>With regard to these ACO funding requests, there are sufficient funds to support the requests in their entirety if the Core Team chooses to do so.</p> <p>Hal Cohen pointed out that in the OneCare budget there are a number of projects that appear to have overlap with what the SIM project is already doing. He asked how do we figure out what's redundant? The infrastructure costs appear to be high – in light of the potential of shared savings, at what point do we let go of funding?</p> <p>At the last Core Team meeting, Georgia was asked to identify those areas where there are existing projects (particularly in IT). That analysis is in progress and will be distributed well in advance of the July meeting. Additionally, the question of whether there will or will not be shared savings should be answered in July as that is when the data is expected to be available. Lastly, the Core Team will consider, philosophically, how long do we anticipate that this kind of support will be necessary.</p> <p>Susan Wehry stated that she will send 4 questions by email. She also announced that Monica Hutt will be new DAIL commissioner at the July meeting and Susan will be briefing her and preparing her to take over the role in the Core Team. Lawrence offered to extend an invitation to meeting with Georgia and himself in advance of the meeting, if that would be helpful.</p> <p>Paul Bengston extended thanks to Susan for serving on the Core Team.</p>	

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<p>2. Minutes Approval</p>	<p>June 1 2015 Minutes approval</p> <p>Paul Bengston moved for approval as written. Susan Wehry seconded the motion.</p> <p>Roll Call was taken and the motion carried.</p>	
<p>3. Approval of Self-Evaluation Plan</p>	<p>Approval of the Self-evaluation Plan</p> <p>The review process is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core team will review today; • To GMCB following incorporation of changes from today’s meeting at their June 18th meeting; • To CMMI at the end of the month. <p>Annie Paumgarten presented the feedback received from stakeholders.</p> <p>Joint Fiscal Office, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont, Green Mountain Care Board, Office of the Health Care Advocate, UVM Medical Center Jeffords Institute for Quality, Vermont Department of Health, Blueprint, Department of Vermont Health Access and several others have been consulted and feedback has been received and incorporated. Healthfirst and Vermont Medical Society will have meetings this week to review the document and provide feedback.</p> <p>Annie noted that any substantive changes will be brought back to the Core Team prior to submission to CMMI. She stated that three types of feedback were received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research • Methodological • Narrative/editorial <p>She reviewed examples of the feedback given and asked if there were any questions on the document. No questions were posed.</p> <p>Paul Bengston moved to approve the self-evaluation plan as written The motion was seconded by Steven Costantino.</p>	<p>The Self-evaluation plan will be sent to the Green Mountain Care Board</p>

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	The Self-Evaluation plan was approved.	
4. Public Comment	Public Comment No public comment was heard.	
5. Next steps, wrap-up and Future meeting schedule:	Next meeting : July 23 rd 2015, 2:00pm to 4:00pm, 4 th Floor Conference Room, Pavilion Building, 109 State Street, Montpelier Lawrence stated that participants will notified if anything new is heard from CMMI related to the Year 2 contract approvals.	