



***VT Health Care Innovation Project
DLTSS Work Group Meeting Minutes***

Pending Work Group Approval

Date of meeting: Thursday, December 4, 2014, 10:00 pm – 12:30 pm, DVHA Large Conference Room, 312 Hurricane Lane, Williston, VT

Agenda Item	Discussion	Next Steps
1. Welcome; Introductions; Approval of Minutes	Deborah Lisi-Baker welcomed the group and sought approval of the November 21, 2014 meeting minutes which were approved.	
2. Population Health Work Group Presentation	The charge of the Population Health Work Group (PHWG) is to recommend ways VHCIP could better coordinate population health improvement activities and more explicitly improve population health. The PHWG is committed to key tasks such as developing health measures to track outcomes and be incorporated in new payment models; promotion and funding of prevention initiatives; and integration of clinical services, public health programs and community-based services. The presentation included “frameworks” to guide Population Health, a focus on primary prevention and funding for such efforts, the multiple contributors to health outcomes, and accountability for health.	

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<p>3. ACOs and the DLSS System -- Questions Posed by VT Legal Aid and VCDMHS with Responses from ACOs</p> <p><u>Question 5</u></p> <p>Have any of the ACOs adopted new care management protocols or standards internally (while waiting on the Care Models/Care Management workgroup) that establish different expectations of DLSS case managers than those in their existing roles?</p> <p><u>Question 6</u></p> <p>How will DLSS providers manage to meet operational, financial and quality expectations of multiple ACOs and at the same time meet these</p>	<p>Work Group participants included providers, ACOs, advocates and others who engaged in an in-depth discussion of the DLSS system of care as it relates to ACOs and the State. The overall focus of the discussion was to build upon the existing system as we form partnerships to improve care and outcomes for Vermonters with DLSS needs.</p> <p>Please refer to Attachment 3 for the ACOs' written responses to questions 1-7. Questions 1-4 were discussed at the November 21, 2014 DLSS Work Group meeting and documented in the minutes from that meeting.</p> <p><u>Discussion Highlights for Questions 5-7:</u></p> <p>OneCare stated its commitment to the Care Management Standards being created by the VHCIP CM/CM Work Group. CHAC is oriented toward community partnerships with DLSS providers with a focus on collaboration. Participants encouraged PCPs to have greater knowledge of the DLSS system, and DLSS providers to have a better understanding of the role of primary care practitioners. It is hoped that the Integrated Communities Care Management Learning Collaborative will achieve that goal. One of the most important elements is "effective communication" among the different domains.</p> <p>Participants felt the challenge of multiple ACOs with varying sets of expectations needs to be addressed locally by ACOs working in concert with one another. There is a desire for alignment of expectations among ACOs and this work has already begun. The Blueprint is working on the concept of regional collaboration to represent the array of providers. Regional collaboration efforts are especially important given that not all Vermonters are attributed to an ACO. (The DLSS Work Group agreed this is a topic for future conversations.)</p>	

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<p>expectations for individuals who are not covered by the ACOs (because they do not see an affiliated primary care physician) whose funding continues to come through AHS and its Departments?</p> <p><u>Question 7</u></p> <p>Will disability and long term services and supports (DLTSS) providers have sufficient voice in the governance and operation of ACOs? How will this voice be operationalized?</p>	<p>The ACOs can provide advice and counsel but funding is not available.</p> <p>OneCare has a statewide multidisciplinary Clinical Advisory Board; however, it is primarily a medical/clinical group with representation from other provider groups. OneCare will provide a list of its Clinical Advisory Board members to the DLTSS Work Group. OneCare has three consumer representatives (beneficiaries of Medicare, Medicaid, and Commercial-Health Exchange) on its Board.</p>	
<p>4. Update on the All-Payer Waiver and the Consolidated Global Commitment Waiver</p>	<p>The ACA put into place options for new waivers, one of which is the 1332 Waiver for development of universal coverage. The other is an All-Payer Waiver which is focused on payment methodology for better alignment between Medicare, Medicaid and commercial payers. One primary goal of the All-Payer Waiver would be a reduction in the variation of payment by payers and a resulting decrease in the cost shift. The All-Payer Waiver would not allow Vermont to control Medicare funding. Pursuit of waivers is contingent upon being a “good deal” for Vermont.</p> <p>The Consolidated Global Commitment (GC) Waiver entails consolidating two separate but similar waivers (Global Commitment and Choices for Care) into one Waiver for administrative simplification and streamlining of Federal reporting requirements. The Consolidated Global Commitment Waiver would be embedded in the All-Payer and 1332 Waivers. An in-depth</p>	

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	presentation on the Consolidated GC Waiver will be given to the DLTSS Work Group once the Waiver is signed by Vermont and CMS. The current target date for signature is January, 2015.	
5. DLTSS Work Group letter to the Governor	<p>The Work Group discussed the draft letter to the Governor and voted 9 to 4 to support it (with 1 abstention). Supporting points were that the DLTSS Work Group should formally support funding for DLTSS services during the Fiscal Year 2015 budget adjustment and Fiscal Year 2016 budget development process, Medicaid funding reductions of DLTSS services would lead to higher health care costs systemwide, and reductions in funding would have adverse impacts on vulnerable individuals. Opposing points were that this kind of activity was not part of the DLTSS Charter, the letter itself was too detailed, the letter needed to clearly state that State employees were excluded, and concern over the limited 24-hour comment period.</p> <p>A letter from the DLTSS Work group to the Governor would need to go through the VHCIP Steering Committee and Core Team prior to final approval.</p>	
6. Public Comment Updates/Next Steps	<p>The next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 22nd, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm in Montpelier on the 4th Floor of the Pavilion Building.</p>	

VHCIP DLTSS Work Group Member List

Roll Call: 12/4/2014

Minutes approved

1^o Barb
2^o Jason
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Letter

Member		Member Alternate		Minutes	Organization
First Name	Last Name	First Name	Last Name		
Debbie	Austin	Craig	Jones		AHS - DVHA
Molly	Dugan			✓	Cathedral Square and SASH Program
Patrick	Flood				CHAC
Mary	Fredette			✓	The Gathering Place
Joyce	Gallimore			✓	Bi-State Primary Care/CHAC
Larry	Goetschius	Joy	Chilton		Home Health and Hospice
Dale	Hackett				None
Mike	Hall				Champlain Valley Area Agency on Aging
Jeanne	Hutchins			✓	UVM Center on Aging
Pat	Jones	Richard	Slusky	✓	GMCB
Dion	LaShay			✓	Consumer Representative
Deborah	Lisi-Baker			✓	Unknown
Sam	Liss				Statewide Independent Living Council
Jackie	Majoros	Barbara	Prine	✓	VLA/LTC Ombudsman Project
Carol	Maroni				Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley
Madeleine	Mongan			✓	Vermont Medical Society
Todd	Moore				OneCare Vermont
Kirsten	Murphy	Julie	Wasserman	✓	AHS - Central Office
Nick	Nichols				AHS - DMH
Ed	Paquin			✓	Disability Rights Vermont
Laura	Pelosi				Vermont Health Care Association
Eileen	Peltier				Central Vermont Community Land Trust
Judy	Peterson				Visiting Nurse Association of Chittenden and Grand Isle Counties
Paul	Reiss	Amy	Cooper		Accountable Care Coalition of the Green Mountains
Rachel	Seelig	Trinka	Kerr	✓	VLA/Senior Citizens Law Project
Julie	Tessler	Marlys	Waller	✓	Vermont Council of Developmental and Mental Health Services
Nancy	Warner				COVE
Jason	Williams			✓	Fletcher Allen Health Care
Marie	Zura	Marlys	Waller	✓	HowardCenter for Mental Health
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VHCIP DLTSS Work Group Participant List

Attendance:

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	Chair
C	Interim Chair
IC	Member
M	Member Alternate
MA	Assistant
A	Staff/Consultant
S	Interested Party
X	

First Name	Last Name	Organization	DLTSS
April	Allen	AHS - DCF	X
Susan	Aranoff	AHS-DAIL	X
Debbie	Austin	AHS - DVHA	M
Ena	Backus	GMCB	X
Susan	Barrett	GMCB	X
Susan	Besio	SOV Consultant - Pacific Health Policy Group	X
Bob	Bick	HowardCenter for Mental Health	X
Denise	Carpenter	Specialized Community Care	X
Alysia	Chapman	HowardCenter for Mental Health	X
Joy	Chilton	Home Health and Hospice	MA
Amanda	Ciecior	AHS - DVHA	S
Peter	Cobb	VNAs of Vermont	X
Amy	Coonradt	AHS - DVHA	X
Amy	Cooper	Accountable Care Coalition of the Green Mountains	MA
Alicia	Cooper	AHS - DVHA	X

Molly	Dugan		<i>Molly Dugan</i>	Cathedral Square and SASH Program	M
Patrick	Flood			CHAC	M
Erin	Flynn			AHS - DVHA	S
Mary	Fredette			The Gathering Place	M
Joyce	Gallimore		<i>phone</i>	Bi-State Primary Care/CHAC	M
Lucie	Garand		<i>phone</i>	Downs Rachlin Martin PLLC	X
Christine	Geller			GMCB	S
Larry	Goetschius			Home Health and Hospice	M
Bea	Grause			Vermont Association of Hospital and Health Systems	X
Dale	Hackett			None	M
Mike	Hall			Champlain Valley Area Agency on Aging	M
Janie	Hall			OneCare Vermont	A
Bryan	Hallett			GMCB	X
Carolynn	Hatin			AHS - Central Office - IFS	X
Selina	Hickman			AHS - DVHA	X
Bard	Hill			AHS - DAIL	X
Churchill	Hindes		<i>phone</i>	OneCare Vermont	X
Jeanne	Hutchins		<i>phone</i>	VVM Center on Aging	M
Craig	Jones		<i>phone</i>	AHS - DVHA - Blueprint	MA
Pat	Jones		<i>phone</i>	GMCB	M
Margaret	Joyal			Washington County Mental Health Services Inc.	X
Joelle	Judge		<i>here</i>	UMASS	S
Trinka	Kerr			VLA/Health Care Advocate Project	MA
Tony	Kramer			AHS - DVHA	X
Kelly	Lange			Blue Cross Blue Shield of Vermont	X
Dion	Lashay		<i>phone</i>	Consumer Representative	M
Deborah	Lisi-Baker		<i>phone</i>	Unknown	C/M
Sam	Liss		<i>phone</i>	Statewide Independent Living Council	M
Vicki	Loner			OneCare Vermont	X
Georgia	Maheras		<i>here</i>	AOA	S
Jackie	Majoros			VLA/LTC Ombudsman Project	M
Carol	Maroni			Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley	M
Mike	Maslack				X

Lisa	Maynes		Vermont Family Network	X
Madeleine	Mongan	<i>phone</i>	Vermont Medical Society	M
Todd	Moore		OneCare Vermont	M
Mary	Moulton		Washington County Mental Health Services Inc.	X
Kirsten	Murphy		AHS - Central Office - DDC	M
Floyd	Nease		AHS - Central Office	X
Nick	Nichols		AHS - DMH	M
Miki	Olszewski		AHS - DVHA - Blueprint	X
Jessica	Oski		Vermont Chiropractic Association	X
Ed	Paquin	<i>Ed Paquin</i>	Disability Rights Vermont	M
Annie	Paumgarten	<i>phone</i>	GMCB	X
Laura	Pelosi		Vermont Health Care Association	M
Eileen	Peltier		Central Vermont Community Land Trust	M
Judy	Peterson		Visiting Nurse Association of Chittenden and Grand Isle Counties	C/M
John	Pierce			X
Luann	Poirer		AHS - DVHA	X
Barbara	Prine	<i>here</i>	VLA/Disability Law Project	MA
Paul	Reiss		Accountable Care Coalition of the Green Mountains	M
Virginia	Renfrew		Zatz & Renfrew Consulting	X
Ken	Schatz		AHS - DCF	X
Rachel	Seelig	<i>here</i>	VLA/Senior Citizens Law Project	M
Julia	Shaw		VLA/Health Care Advocate Project	X
Richard	Slusky		GMCB	MA
Kara	Suter		AHS - DVHA	X
Beth	Tanzman		AHS - DVHA - Blueprint	X
Julie	Tessler	<i>here</i>	Vermont Council of Developmental and Mental Health Services	M
Bob	Thorn		Counseling Services of Addison County	X
Beth	Waldman		SOV Consultant - Bailit-Health Purchasing	S
Anya	Wallack		SIM Core Team Chair	X
Marlys	Waller		Vermont Council of Developmental and Mental Health Services	MA
Norm	Ward		OneCare Vermont	X
Nancy	Warner		COVE	M
Julie	Wasserman	<i>here</i>	AHS - Central Office	S/MA
Kendall	West			X

Bradley	Wilhelm		AHS - DVHA	X
Jason	Williams	<i>W. Williams</i>	Fletcher Allen Health Care <i>WVA Medical Center</i>	M
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