

Vermont Health Care Innovation Project Practice Transformation Work Group Meeting Minutes

Pending Work Group Approval

Date of meeting: Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 10:00am-12:00pm, Oak Conference Room, Waterbury State Office Complex

Agenda Item	Discussion	Next Steps
1. Welcome and	Laural Ruggles called the meeting to order at 10:01am. A roll call attendance was taken and a quorum was achieved.	
Introductions;		
Approve Meeting	Julie Tessler moved to approve the August 2016 meeting minutes by exception. Catherine Simonson seconded. The	
Minutes	minutes were approved with two abstentions (Maura Graff and Nancy Breiden)	
2. "Equity in	Maura Graff, Director of the Project to Reduce Unintended Pregnancies, presented from the slides in the handout at	
Pregnancy	Attachment 2.	
Intention" (EPIC)		
Campaign to	The group discussed the following:	
Reduce		
Unintended	Half of pregnancies in Vermont are unintended	
Pregnancy	 Over \$30M was expended in Vermont on unintended pregnancies in 2010; unplanned births are nearly twice 	
	as likely to be publicly funded in Vermont	
Maura Graff,	EPIC – Equity in Pregnancy Intention Campaign – 2016-2021	
Planned	o Project Results	
Parenthood of	 1. Political support for access to birth control increased. 	
Northern New	 2. Awareness about LARC improved. 	
England	 3. Use of birth control increased. 	
	 Five areas of project focus: 	
	 Community Coordination 	
	 Mass Media 	
	Expanded Access	

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	 Education Advocacy The group is piloting new tools across the State to allow a variety of providers in a variety of settings to offer family planning counseling, including to such groups as: New Americans People living with disabilities Incarcerated populations Sam Liss asked how the group is balancing the holistic approach v. the individual – in terms of the more mechanical aspects of pregnancy. E.g. taking into consideration the entire lifestyles of people, as opposed to the specific use of contraceptives. The response is that the hope is to not only take clinical needs into consideration, but also the lifestyle of the individual. For example, the types of birth control that require an individual to take an action every day may not be right for everyone, and that notion is being built into the contraceptive counseling sessions that occur. That includes a discussion around life/birth planning so that plans are tailored to overall life goals for everyone. Dale Hackett asked about the on-going effects of a program like this on population overall, and noted that there are likely more things to consider. The response noted that IUDs, in particular, can be removed at any time and are not a permanent method of birth control. As well, Maura noted that the program overall intends to start the discussion about family planning earlier and to be more thoughtful and empowering to people to allow people to achieve their reproductive life plans. The group discussed the family planning tool and that it is not meant to prevent all pregnancies. The first questions focus on whether the family intends to have children in the next year, or longer term. The counseling then focuses on ensuring pre-pregnancy care is sought. Kate O'Neill asked if the group is working with the agency of education which has a cooperative agreement with the CDC around se	
3. Home and Community Based Rules Update	 Megan Tierney-Ward and Roy Gerstenberger from DAIL presented from the slides and materials found in Attachments 3, 3a-3c. 	

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	The group discussed the following:	
Megan Tierney- Ward and Roy Gerstenberger, Vermont	Vermont has been a leader in this area in terms of offering home and community based services. 14 other states have followed suit over time.	
Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living	Over the last two years, CMS has released an updated series of rules, focusing on the following: 1) Area of person centered planning; a great deal of clarity has been provided in this area 2) What does community mean to the individual 3) Integrity and independence of case management (conflict-free case management)	
	CMS is requiring states to implement a transition plan around how to achieve and address these new goals.	
	The group discussed the following:	
	Reference: table on page 54 of the materials packet. This is the kind of thinking that states, including Vermont, have been engaged in to ensure that they are meeting the goals of the program. The team at DAIL has assessed each of the requirements against the various programs offered to individuals in Vermont.	
	 There are two areas of federal focus: Settings requirements (where services are provided) – for example, there is a requirement that the individual reside in a home where the doors are lockable by the individual and that only appropriate staff or providers have keys. Person-centered planning requirements – there are very specific criteria that need to be followed. The assessment in Vermont has revealed that there are opportunities for providers to improve upon certain areas – perhaps by putting stronger language in the standards or reviewing and updating standard practices. 	
	DAIL, in partnership with AHS, is developing tools to allow providers to do their own assessments, and also a survey to help gauge patient satisfaction and provider awareness to be in compliance with the plan.	
	There are identified pressure points which are occurring in some places around Vermont when the agency is acting in multiple roles that may be perceived as being in conflict. The timetable is that the plan as a whole has to be in place by 2018.	
	At this point in the assessment, there are seven (7) areas where changes or updates to policy need to be made.	
ı	DAIL and AHS are currently undergoing the State rulemaking process and several rules are in the process of being updated now.	

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	Standardized process mapping is occurring around the agency now to allow VT to be a model for this kind of assessment and improvement process.	
	Some areas that have been identified are home care providers who have shared living arrangements and home care provider characteristics – the rules do allow that the requirements meet certain standards around transparency. E.g. safety interventions or travel restrictions – an agreement is made formally with signatures and an expiration date to ensure that an individual's rights are not being overly or unfairly restricted.	
	CMS' setting descriptions were based on feedback from citizens and communities; the concern is about the potential isolation of individuals, for example, when a group home is located on the grounds of a hospital. Also, farmstead communities have raised concerns that these environments are not typical and the individuals there are not able to interact with all general populations. These kinds of environments have particularly heightened scrutiny in that CMS and the state are both paying attention to these to ensure that they are achieving their goals.	
	Transition plan being created and provided to CMS is being negotiated as we go. Only 4 states have been accepted so far.	
	For more information or questions, please contact: megan.tierney-ward@vermont.gov Roy.Gerstenberger@vermont.gov	
Population Health Plan Update	Heidi Klein, Director of Planning and Health Care Strategy and Tracy Dolan, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Health presented an update on the Population Health Plan. Please reference Attachment 4 in the materials packet.	
Heidi Klein, Vermont Department of	The Population Health Plan (PHP) is a required element of the SIM grant overall; but we are also doing it to meet the third aim of the Triple Aim and improve the health of the population.	
Health	The Vermont plan highlights systemic change at the regional, state or community levels.	
	Heidi Klein led a presentation and discussion of the plan: Three questions:	
	From your work group's point of view, how does this plan advance your work?	
	 How well do the goals and recommendations of the plan align with yours for moving ahead? 	
	What else would you want to see in order to get behind this plan?	

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	 Five principles: Use Population-Level Data on Health Trends and Burden of Illness to Identify Priorities and Target Action. Focus on Prevention, Wellness, and Well-Being at All Levels – Individual, Health Care System, and Community. Address the Multiple Contributors to Health Outcomes Community Partners are Engaged in Integrating Clinical Care and Service Delivery with Community-Wide Population Prevention Activities. Create Sustainable Funding Models Which Support and Reward Improvements in Population Health, including Primary Prevention and Wellness. 	
	Recommendations:	
	Governance Requirements: include entities that have the authority, data/information, and strategies Care Delivery Requirements and Incentives to move from acute care to more coordinated care Metrics and Data of population health outcomes Payment and Financing Methodologies towards value-based payment and alternative sustainable financing for population health and prevention	
	 State: Governance Requirements Embed governance requirements in Medicaid contracts with ACOs and other providers. Require ACOs, through Act 113 of 2016, to include public health and prevention leaders in their governing entities. Create a statewide public/private stakeholder group, similar to the Population Health Work Group that recommends activities to State health policy leadership. Expand partnerships to other sectors that impact health. Build upon the Governor's Health in All Policies Task Force. 	
	 Regional: Governance Requirements Continue to expand partnerships to other sectors that impact health at the community or regional levels including housing, business, city and town planners, among others. Expand existing Community Collaboratives to meet all the components of Accountable Communities for Health. 	
	Metrics and Data Use the population health measures to drive statewide priority setting for improvement initiatives Leverage the region-specific data, such as the Blueprint Profiles to each hospital service area.	

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	Payment and Financing Methodologies How providers are paid and how funds flow through the health system	
	The group discussed the following:	
	 The team was commended by Sam Liss for including social determinants of health; note that it's person directed, as much as possible, not just person centered. 	
	 It was noted that OneCare Vermont and the Department of Health have been collaborating to create change packages. 	
	 Jessa Barnard from the Vermont Medical society raised the issue of data gathering and was appreciative of the efforts around coordinating data collection with other initiatives, noting the provider fatigue around data collection. 	
	 Kirsten Murphy asked about segmenting population by sub-populations and look at the needs of underserved populations. Such as the unique needs of developmental disability population and other sub-populations that have long term services and supports. Tracy responded that the PHP team did consider how they wanted to approach this. Health outcomes, underserved, groups by income/equity. They chose systemic approach. How do these systems cut across various populations and consider populations as a whole. The downside is that the PHP does not have call outs for everything. 	
	Heidi concluded by noting that feedback is wanted!	
	Email comments on the PHP to Heidi.klein@vermont.gov or Participants should feel free to contact Georgia Maheras (georgia.maheras@vermont.gov) or Sarah Kinsler (sarah.kinsler@vermont.gov) to provide additional written or verbal comments; all comments are due by November 2 .	
Practice Transformation Initiative Updates	Core Competency update: The training series has finished Day 6, and has offered an advanced training workshop to over 40 individuals. This training was given by Julie Burnes from PCDC, with a focus on complex individuals facing Mental Health, Substance Abuse and homelessness issues.	
Erin Flynn, Department of		

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Vermont Health	The manager and supervisor training is coming up on October 18 th at WSOC. And later this week, there will be a	
Access and Pat	webinar focusing on tips for facilitating meetings that are inclusive of people with disabilities.	
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Mountain Care Board	There will be two more webinars – website and resources are all posted on the VHCIP project page.	
	The Integrated Communities Care Management Learning Collaborative (ICCMLC) held an in person learning session	
	centered around the topic of 'keeping the shared care plan alive under dynamic and changing circumstances.' Expert	
	faculty Dr. Terry O'Malley presented tools to map out highest priority transitions in care in a community and processes for identify data that is needed from all parties in a transition.	
	Erin next presented future plans for the group – there will be a webinar in early November during which Maura Crandall, from OneCare Vermont will provide an update on community progress with implementing the care	
	management software tool, Care Navigator. Pilot communities have been invited to participate and discuss early learnings from the tool implementation process.	
	Jenney Samuelson noted that communities have expressed strongly their desire to continue this work, and that the is significant commitment from the Blueprint and ACOsto keep this learning going – discussions are underway about planning further learning sessions throughout 2017.	
5. Wrap-Up and		
Next Steps; Plans	Next Meeting:	
for Next Meeting	Tuesday, November 8, 2016, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm	
	AHS - WSOC Oak Conference Room	
	280 State Drive, Waterbury	

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