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ACQ DD Waiver Steering Comm. Meeting  
Notes May 13, 2020

Participants: Amira Rasheed, Lecie McNeese, Chris Futey, Cathy Salazar, Lee Hopwood, Angelique Tafoya, Pamela Stafford, Casilda Gallegos, Daniel Ekman, Todd Parker, Sacheen Begay, Linda Ramos, Christina Hill, Cristina Rascon, Leah Manning, Scott Good

Wendy Corry, Co-chair- ACQ DDW Steering Committee  
Marie Velasco, Co-chair- ACQ DDW Steering Committee

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. DDSD reviewed the following documents: (all documents are attached in the email sent to all DDW Steering Comm. members)

- DD Waiver Amendment and Fee Schedule which contains the new eligibility definition
- The DD Waiver Amendment Application- This will be reviewed and discussed in more detail at the next meeting in June
- The Rate Study Conclusion

3. The Amendment Timeline:

March 16	DOH finalizes rates
March 20	Application finalized
April 27	Tribal notification begins
May 26	Public comment period begins
June 26 (TBD)	Public Hearing
July 1	Submit Waiver 0173 Amendment to CMS
October 1	CMS approval

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4. DDW Application Renewal Timeline was discussed

5. Town Halls are scheduled for August and Sept. There was discussion on the most effective and safe way to conduct the Town Halls given COVID-19.

- All or some of the Town Halls will probably need to be held virtually.
- Concern about internet connectivity
- People can call in if they do not have ZOOM access
- Suggestion to ask people to email their questions ahead of time so they can be addressed at the Town Hall and also email DDSD ahead of time if they want a copy of the presentation

6. A Targeted Rate Study is underway for Therapies and Behavioral Support. Elizabeth Finley (Clinical Services Bureau Chief) and Cheryl Frazine (Office of Behavioral Supports Bureau Chief) are the leads for this rate study. Areas being reviewed include:

- Telehealth
- Targeted Rates
- Tiered Rates-PCG providing research

7. Concerns from the DD Waiver Steering Comm. members:

- Access to Wi-Fi in some residential homes is an ongoing issue, especially due to COVID-19 and the reliance on virtual meetings to provide service to individuals
- DDSD stated they are aware of this concern and has created a workgroup to address this issue. DDSD has received lots of information from providers, advocates, etc on this issue.

8. DOH/DDSD has created a Corona Virus Task Force. The number for the NM DOH for COVID-19 (505-827-0006). The main hotline for COVID-19 is 1-855-600-3453

9. Agenda items for the next meeting:

- June meeting- Review and discuss the DDW Amendment Application and recommendations on strategies to host the Town Halls
- July meeting- Review the PowerPoint for the Town Halls

10. Next Conference Call meetings:

June 10, 2020 from 9:00-10:00

July 8, 2020 from 9:00-10:00