

MFP Stakeholder Meeting 5/9/23

- Life Skills and Transition Center

Keith Vavrovsky: Life Skills population is 38, 16 youth. Residential Habilitation is 9 people-this service is closing.

- DD Division Updates

Heidi Zander-DD Waiver Administrator: Appendix K is open until Nov 11, 2023. Proposing virtual services continue. Looking to continue electronic signatures. Proposed amendment is located here: <https://www.hhs.nd.gov/dd>. Public comment on the proposed changes will be accepted from April 13, 2023 until 8am CST on May 15, 2023. Public comment will be accepted in the following ways: hzander@nd.gov, (701) 328-8945 or ND Relay TTY (text telephone) (800)-366-6888 or 711

- New MFP Grant Terms and Conditions

MFP Data Analyst Perform data quality measurement and metric generation Data aggregation into quality performance indicators Implement and develop various data reporting structures and formats

Operational Protocol Components (still waiting, no update) Template is still in draft status Added Equity, Public Health Emergencies

- MFP Supplemental Services Information

The purpose is to inform Money Follows the Person (MFP) demonstration recipients about certain programmatic changes affecting MFP supplemental services. These changes take effect on January 1, 2022. Notification was provided on 3/31/22 No spending until updated Operational Protocol is approved by CMS Can request additional funding for 2022 Submitted April 2023/Re-submitting

Supplemental Services 1. Short-term housing assistance 2. Food Security 3. Payment for activities prior to transitioning from an MFP-qualified inpatient facility 4. Payment for securing a community-based home 5. Other supplemental services

- MFP Budget Submitted April 2023

Demonstration costs \$10.5 million dollars Half of these dollars will be budgeted for service costs Based off of the benchmarks 1 million of this amount is capacity funding

Supplemental Service budget (not re-submitted) Original ask \$1.3 million Retainer payment and legal fees on hold Training development will move to administrative claiming

- MFP Operational Protocol-to address new benchmarks and policy changes
- MFP Sustainability Plan Discussion and Committee Development
- Aging and Disabilities Resource Link Transition/Diversion Services Team Development
- National Core Indicator Survey- Quality Measure Set Required by MFP-Sandi Erber
- Person Centered Planning- Sandi Erber
- Committee Member Recruitment

- Agency Adult Foster Care-Erica Reiner, Nurse Administrator
Agency Foster Home for Adults: setting where an individual who has Medicaid can receive HCBS services: Residential Habilitation and Community Supports.
- New Taskforce Development-Pam Mack
- Summit Series-Kate Brady-HSRI
ND Person Center Practices Summit: Lunch & Learn <https://www.hsri.org/nd-pcp>
- **MFP Grant Program Reports:**
- 2022 Transition Benchmarks-MFP

Grant Year	Older Adults	Individuals with a physical disability	Individuals with an Intellectual disability	Children	TOTAL
2021	31/20	42/25	14/15	7/5	94/94
2022	64/40	57/60	11/15	3/5	135/120
2023	14/55	16/55	4/15	0/5	34/130

MFP Average Time Frames:

- Consent signed to Transition was 92.48 days
 - Days from Referral to Consent was 33.37 days.
 - The longest transition took 841 days
 - Several transitions happened the same day consent was signed.
 - Longest time frame from a referral to consent signature form: 671 days
- ADRL Transition Services
 - Now utilizing funds from Section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. ADRL Flexible Transition and Institutional Diversion Services (Funded with 10% FMAP Funds)
- Eligibility: Medicaid/ MA Expansion, Pending Medicaid or meets 138% or less of the current Federal Poverty Level Transitions: Utilizing ND Rent Help to assist now with rent and past due utility or rent Institutional Diversion: Individuals with a significant disability in direct threat of being placed in an institutional setting

2023 Specific ADRL Referral Data Stats		
Total Referral Summary		
Running MFP Referral count		164
Quarter One		131
Quarter Two		33
Quarter Three		
Quarter Four		

Annual ADRL Transition Count							
Running Transition Summary (Count Based off the Grant Year In Which Transition Occurred)							
Grant Calendar Year*	Adult	Children	Individuals With Intellectual Disability (DD)	Individuals with Physical Disability (PD)	Older Adult (Elder)	Total Transitions For Year	Total ADRL Transitions
2020	16	0	0		1	17	17
2021	63	1	0	24	26	114	131
2022	8	0	3	82	55	148	279
2023	0	0	1	35	9	45	324
TOTALS	87	1	4	141	91	324	

*As of 04/27/2023

- Transition Coordination Capacity

Fulltime Transition Coordinators/Assistant TC □ Dakota : 4 TC and one assistant TC □ Freedom: 3 TC for a total of 3 plus other IL staff □ Options: 4 full time TC □ Independence: 3. 5 full time TC staff

- MFP-Tribal Initiative- MFP-TI Coordinator -Melissa Reardon, NDSU Public Health

□ Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians-Belcourt □ Standing Rock Sioux Tribe □ MHA Nation-Three Affiliated Tribes-Pilot Project in South Segment

UNDCRH National Resource on Native American Aging □ Working with QSP Hub to coordinate provision of the 20 hours of gerontology training that are required by the Community Health Representative to do Targeted Case Management

- MFP Capacity Building Implementation

QSP Hub-Daniell Deis daniell.deis@und.edu

HCBS Provider Retention and Expansion

Contracted with UND: Approved: \$ 1,549,040.00
(QSP HUB)

- QSP recruitment, training and support, and technical assistance to increase the amount of and retain service providers(QSP) agency recruitment strategies

Connect to Care Jobs Web Modifications-seeking a vendor

Approved: \$500,000

- Provider development incentive grants
 - New grants (up to \$50,000) will be made available early fall 2022 (ARPA funds)
- 14 approved QSP grants
- Ten 1915(i) state plan amendment grants
- 4 Autism grants (pending)

Approved \$1,050,000 for QSP alone

- Provider development incentive grants
 - 21 New QSP grants (up to \$50,000) are in the final approval stages
 - This does not include DD, Autism, or 1915i incentive grant numbers
 - [Incentive Grant Release](#)

Approved: \$ 172,000- Ongoing spending

- Council on Quality Leadership-Fund the required accreditation costs.

Approved: \$257,000- All Case Management staff have new tech to work remotely
Remote Work Technology for HCBS Case Management

Institutional Diversion and Transitions

Approved: \$432,000 plus benefits, Travel, Equipment etc.

All five MFP funded staff are now full-time equivalents and actively working around the state

Using Older American Act funds to higher five more staff.

10 total options counselors throughout the state meeting with individuals directly and are a major referral source for the transition process

Approved \$300,000

Contact in place with ND Assistive-staff hired and work underway.

Advancing the utilization of assistive technology.

Quality Monitoring and Data Collection

Approved: Two years of funding: Total of \$143,000 plus benefits, travel, equipment

- The projects would include one staff member to coordinate the implementation of the Settlement Agreement
- Staff member is hired and supporting all the DOJ Implementation efforts

Approved: \$200,000- Scheduled for later utilization.

- Funding for implementation of the National Core Indicators (NCI) and the NCI for the Aging and Disability Populations.

Peer and Family Supports

Approved: \$425,000- Request for Proposal in discussion at this time.

- The state agency will develop an in-person and virtual peer and family support referral and support process that will allow individuals from across the lifespan interested in transitioning to a least restrictive environment the opportunity to connect with a peer who has lived experience navigating and receiving community-based services.
- Family supports may also include system navigation and benefits counseling to ensure understanding and access to home and community-based services and supports. This service will be coordinated by one entity who could enroll or subcontract with community providers with expertise in services targeted to various groups.

Person-Centered Practice

Approved: \$300,000.00

Actively working the HSRI and University of Missouri on the Charting the Life Course Model of PCP.

Completed Ambassador training with all lead HCBS staff

Completed 4 session training with Aging Services Division Case Managers, MFP Housing staff , and some of the MFP Transition Coordinators.

- Funding ongoing technical assistance on PCP for Aging Services
- Provision of annual training,
- Development of a train the trainer model (Sept 2022)
- Development of PCP tools for family and individuals receiving services that are culturally sensitive

- **Housing Services Updates-Cheryl Merck-Housing Manager ndcpd.org/mfp**

- Housing Services Collaborative
- MFP Housing Staff Update
- ND Housing Finance Agency Update
- Webinars (Tuesdays)
- Housing Database
- Housing Incentive Fund
- Development Funding-LIHTC and Housing Trust Fund
- Rental Assistance Changes

Housing Initiative Capacity

MFP is funding
7 Housing Facilitators
1 Housing Initiative Coordinator

ADRL
2 Housing Facilitators
1 open position

- **Housing Collaborative Overview**

- Address challenges in location and securing affordable and accessible housing
- Strengthen housing-related services and supports in MFP states.
- North Dakota presented in December 2022 regarding our efforts
- North Dakota asked to present at the National HCBS Conference in 2023

- Data Learning Collaborative Overview

Focus: orientation and logistics, participant networking and community-building, and general data goals and needs. □ Overview of learning collaborative process □ State introductions □ State sharing session – “MFP Data Processes: getting input from states on general goals and needs” □ Dawn Lambert, Community Options group, Connecticut’s Department of Social Services, Division of Health Services

- Donene from Family Voices questioned the status of the Peer Support Capacity funding project as it has not yet been implemented. Kayla responded that meetings with leadership are planned to address this now that the Legislative session is over.

- Future Stakeholder meetings: 8/8/23 and 11/7/23

Attendance:

Johnson, April C.	Glimsdahl, Amanda L.	Gayette, Michelle D. Tentative
Allee, Twila (External)	Gulya, Daniel A.	Zietz, Veronica No response
Anderson, Molly (External)	Irina S. Bidivanu External	Hawk, Bradley D. Tentative
Auch, Brittni N.	Jamie (Guest) Meeting guest	Jenkins, Heather No response
Backman, Karla R.	Johnson, Jana	Barchenger, Katherine M. No response
Bay, Tina M.	See more	Lawrence, LuWanna K. No response
Bergemann, Jill (External)	Others invited (20)	Thiel, LeeAnn G. No response
Boushee, Stephanie	Maier, Nancy E. Accepted	Seefeldt, Jaclyn J. No response
Coleman, Gale M.	Thomasson, Jessica A. No response	Nechepurenko, Miranda
Connie K (Guest) Meeting guest	Fremming, Krista R. Declined	Quinn, Rebecca Accepted
Deis, Daniai (External)	Sagness, Pamela T. No response	Reardon, Melissa
Eric Schauer External	Serr, Whitney No response	Others from chat (5)
Erickson, Kylie (External)	Ripplinger, Lisa M. No response	Carlotta McCleary (Guest)
famd (Guest)	Henderson, Jennifer A. Accepted	Moos, Janelle L. (Guest)
Gibb Sheets External	Hornvedt, Julianne D. Accepted	Vetter, Jim (Guest)
		David Klein (Guest)
		trevorstwins (Guest)