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To: Advisory Council on Brain Injuries

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Re: Brain Injury Waiver and General Medicaid Update July 2012

I. Brain Injury Waiver Wait List

- Wait List - 344 Next person to receive a slot applied 11/29/2011 (as of 06/07/2012)
- Reserved Capacity Slots: Total: 15, Available : 0, Wait List: 6
  See full report at: http://www.ime.state.ia.us/docs/HCBS_MonthlySlotandWaitingList.pdf
- Slots issued: March : 126, April 72, May 35
- **BI Waiver Monthly Expenditure Comparison – June 2011 and June 2012**

	Recip	Claims	Units	Total Pmt	Avg Unit Cost	Avg Elig Cost	Avg Unit Recip	Avg Cost Recip
06/30/2012	1,155	2,625	56,863	$2,309,183.73	$40.61	$4.62	49.2	$1,999.29
06/30/2011	1,074	2,311	54,816	$1,895,120.54	$34.57	$3.99	51	$1,764.54
Source Medicaid B-1 Monthly Report of Expenditures http://publications.iowa.gov								

II. BI Waiver Service Utilization – See Attached

III. Brain Injury Waiver News

Web Enabled Training
The BI Training Modules are currently in testing; once the testing is complete without bugs we will load it to the website. We will send out an Informational Letter notifying providers and case managers when this is done.

Brain Injury Waiver Upcoming rule and 1915(c) application amendments (March 1, 2013)

- Removal of the upper age limit – Members will be able to continue to receive services through the BI Waiver after age 65
- Removal of the cost of BI Waiver Case Management (W0815) from the monthly service cost cap of $2,812.00 _ Members will have more dollars to spend on direct services
- Removal of the cost of Home and Vehicle Modifications from the monthly cap- Members will have more dollars to spend on direct services, Case Managers won't have to remember to encumber a portion of HVM costs each month

Brain Injury Waiver Level of Care Assessment Workgroup

- Testing was completed using the Mayo Portland Adaptive Inventory
- Workgroup has the most recently updated version of the proposed Brain Injury Waiver Assessment Tool and will be meeting at a future date TBD

Neurobehavioral Rehabilitation Services Task Force

- The IME is currently working on the reimbursement methodology rules.

- The most current draft of the rules has been sent out to workgroup members; Provider cost audit continues to work on the reimbursement methodology with the Uniform Cost Report coming under consideration is complicating the issue.
- The group will be meeting to continue work on the rules etc. at a future date TBD

IV. HCBS Communication from IME

http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Providers/Bulletins/Bulletins2012.html

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 1119
Incident Reporting Requirements and Expectations

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1132
Mental Health and Disability Services (MHDS) Redesign Webinar

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1134
HCBS Quality Management and Technical Assistance Survey

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1141
Medicaid Mental Health and Disability Services (MHDS) System: Letter #1

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1142
HCBS Quality Assurance Reviews

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1143
HCBS Quality Assurance (QA) and Technical Assistance (TA) Contract Changes

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1148
HCBS Habilitation, ID and BI Waiver Service Plan Authorization and Rate Setting for Case Managers and Providers

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1149
Clarification of Recent Legislative Action regarding Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1150
Medicaid Mental Health and Disability Services (MHDS) System: Letter #2, Service Plan Authorization and Rate Setting

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1155
Day Habilitation Units of Service

V. Medicaid General Information

- **See the Medicaid Newsletter for all the latest news from the IME**
  http://www.ime.state.ia.us/newsletter.html#search='Medicaid%20newsletter

- **Mental Health Redesign Workgroups**
  - View all documents at: http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Partners/MHDSRedesign.html

- **HCBS Quality and Technical Assistance RFP**

  - Medicaid awarded the Contract June 1, 2012 to Telligen (formerly Iowa Foundation for Medical Care) ; Telligen is also the current Medical Services Contractor
  - View all RFP documents at:
    http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Reports_Publications/RFP/RFP12035.html

- **Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) and Pharmacy Point of Sale RFP**
  - Medicaid has issued its intent to award to Accenture
  - View all RFP documents at: http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Reports_Publications/RFP/MED12001.html#search='RFP'

- **Iowa's Community Employment Initiative**
  - Iowa's Employment Initiatives – See attached
  - The Iowa Coalition for Integrated Employment (ICIE), providers, CPCs, Case Managers, and other stakeholders gathered June 21, 2012 to discuss employment outcomes measures for publicly funded employment services and employment services rate restructuring to emphasize integrated community employment.
  - A provider forum will be held in the near future to review the funding structure recommendations received from the State Employment Leadership Network (SELN) gain input on what it will take to revise employment service providers' business models to models that emphasizes integrated community employment

Brain Injury Waiver Program Service Statistics
Total number of individuals eligible for Brain Injury Waiver = 1251

Program	Service Note: If a service code is not listed that service is not currently authorized in any service plan	# of Members Current as of 7/18/2012
Brain Injury	W0815 Case Management BI Waiver	844
Brain Injury	W1002 Adult Day Care-Full Day	66
Brain Injury	W1010 Consumer Choices Option	231
Brain Injury	W1021 Adult Day Care-Half Day	27
Brain Injury	W1203 Adult Day Care-Extended Day	2
Brain Injury	W1265 CDAC-Agency (Hourly)	152
Brain Injury	W1267 CDAC-Individual (Hourly)	124
Brain Injury	W1268 CDAC-Individual (Daily)	18
Brain Injury	W1311 Supported Community Living (Hourly)	1
Brain Injury	W1401 Supported Community Living (Daily)	138
Brain Injury	W1407 Personal Emergency Response - Ongoing	148
Brain Injury	W1408 Personal Emergency Response-Initial	5
Brain Injury	W1409 Case Management	8
Brain Injury	W1414 Transportation	175
Brain Injury	W1417 Home and Vehicle Modifications	9
Brain Injury	W1418 Specialized Medical Equipment	12
Brain Injury	W1420 Family Counseling and Training	20
Brain Injury	W1421 Supported Community Living (Hourly)	394
Brain Injury	W1425 Pre-Vocational Services	29
Brain Injury	W1426 Pre-Vocational Services (1/2 day)	5
Brain Injury	W1430 Supported Employment, obtain a job	2
Brain Injury	W1431 Supported Employment, maintain employment/job coaching	44
Brain Injury	W1433 Supported Employment, maintain employment/enclave	19
Brain Injury	W1518 Interim Medical Monitoring & Treatment - SCL	3
Brain Injury	W2500 Respite-HHA specialized	25
Brain Injury	W2501 Respite-HHA basic individual	33
Brain Injury	W2502 Respite-HHA group	1
Brain Injury	W2503 Respite-Home Care Agcy & Non-Facility, Specialized	12
Brain Injury	W2504 Respite-Home Care Agcy & Non-Facility, Basic Individual	290
Brain Injury	W2505 Respite- Home Care Agcy & Non-Facility, Group	71
Brain Injury	W2512 Respite- child care center	3
Brain Injury	W2513 Interim Medical Monitoring & Treatment-HHA	3
Brain Injury	W2514 Interim Medical Monitoring & Treatment-Nurse	6
Brain Injury	W2515 Interim Medical Monitoring & Treatment-Registered/Licensed Child Care	1
Brain Injury	W2521 Respite Resident Camp - Weeklong overnight recreational respite	4
Brain Injury	W2523 Group Specialized Summer Day Camp - Group Recreational respite camp for individuals requiring additional support	10
Brain Injury	W2525 Weekend On-site Respite - Camp based recreational overnight respite	2
Brain Injury	W4414 Transportation – Trip	8
Brain Injury	W5019 Supported Employment - Job Development	9

Iowa's Employment Initiatives for Persons with Disabilities

Goal: People with disabilities will live safe, healthy, productive, successful, self-determined lives in their homes and communities. This goal is consistent with:

- The Olmstead principles, and
- MHDS Redesign goals

Helping people obtain and maintain competitive community employment is a critical component of this vision.

Our Employment Outcome Vision is: Employment in the general workforce is the first priority and the expected and preferred outcome in the provision of publically funded services for all working age Iowans with disabilities.

Various State government entities are involved in a number of initiatives intended to increase the number of people with disabilities competitively employed including:

- **State Employment Leadership Network (SELN):** SELN's mission is to bring states together to improve employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities. SELN consultants help Iowa recognize the systemic barriers to employment for persons with disabilities and ways to overcome them.
- **Medicaid Infrastructure (MIG) Grant:** The purpose of MIG is to assist states with making improvements to their Medicaid programs that support the competitive employment of people with disabilities. MIG currently funds a rate restructuring initiative in collaboration with SELN.
- **Employment First ("E1st"):** Iowa is 1 of 26 States with a facilitated grassroots initiative emphasizing integrated employment, in its 3rd year in Iowa. E1st includes individuals with disabilities, family members,. service providers, state human services and vocational staff, business leaders, and others.
- **Iowa Coalition for Integrated Employment (ICIE):** The Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Grant awarded a $358,000 five year grant to the Developmental Disabilities Council. The grant will bring together the DD Council, the Iowa Department of Education (DE), Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services (IVRS), and DHS to improve systems so that Iowa youth with a developmental disability have fully integrated, and competitive work opportunities. The grant will contract for 6 demonstration projects in an education environment and 3 demonstration projects with community rehabilitation providers.
- **Employment First Leadership State Mentor Program (EFLSMP):** Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services (IVRS) was awarded a short-term $100,000 grant from the US Department of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy, to facilitate strategic planning in the state and advance integrated employment initiatives, particularly through being mentored by the State of Washington, who has achieved laudible employment outcomes for the past ten years. This is a partnership effort with the DD Council, DHS, Workforce Development, Center for Disabilities and Development, Candeo, and the Iowa Association of Community Providers.
- **Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services:** In addition to ICIE and EFLSMP, IVRS has been involved E1st initiatives from the beginning, and is a major partner in the work being done by SELN. IVRS shares a mutual goal with IME and MHDS in a unified and collaborative effort to coordinate services and help individuals with disabilities achieve employment success. IVRS efforts include implementing innovative projects such as Partnership Plus, Project Search and collaboration through active partnerships with the various initiatives.
- **Employment Development Initiative (EDI) Grant:** DHS was awarded a short-term $103,000 grant from SAMHSA's National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors, for three technical assistance seminars to help educate mental health administrators on accessing "Ticket to Work" funding, and six 2-day seminars encouraging people with mental health disabilities in self-employment.

Our goal is to unify and coordinate these efforts in conjunction with MHDS Redesign, so demonstrable improvement can be made in the number of persons with disabilities competitively employed in the community. This effort will include the evaluation of any new or innovative approaches that can be adopted to better help achieve the goal.

2012 State Employment Initiatives re: People with Disabilities and Public Funds

	Goal 1	Goal 2	Goal 3	Goal 4
Employment 1st	*Policies and funding are aligned with Employment First and strong partnerships remove barriers.*	*Individuals with disabilities and their families advocate for Employment First and participate in the design of employment services and supports.*	*Businesses influence businesses to create employment opportunities for people with disabilities*	*Best Practices drive transition outcomes for living, working and learning.*
Olmstead	Establish the leadership, necessary partnerships and infrastructure for a service system expanding opportunities for competitive employment.	Educate Iowans about the potential of people with disabilities to make positive contributions. Promote full community inclusion for people with disabilities.	Welcoming communities that promote the full participation of Iowans with disabilities.	A fully array of community based services and supports that is practically available to all Iowans. Analyze current policies. Analyze current policies and practice regarding transition, and determine how these can be strengthened to support integrated employment as a preferred outcome for students.
MIG	Review and revise funding mechanisms, rate structures, service definitions and reimbursement methodologies to emphasize community-based employment and interagency collaboration. Strengthen interagency leadership for employment as the common goal.			
AIDD/ICIE	Align policies, practices, and funding with employment expectations. Establish and engage a Coalition to develop and implement a Readiness for Change Plan for systems change related to integrated, competitive employment for youth with DD.	Increase expectation and demand for fully integrated, competitive employment opportunities for youth with DD.	Develop service providers who align their mission, services and resources to promote integrated, competitive employment for youth with DD.	Increase ongoing delivery of preparation, placement and support services that begin in early high school and result in uninterrupted transition to employment.
SELN Findings & Observations Report	Review rate methodology. Increase collaboration between state agencies, Counties, and providers to improve employment outcomes. DHS reorganization is an opportunity to improve and realign resources to affirm DHS's goals, values, and expectation regarding integrated employment.	Training and technical assistance to increase employment expectations of self-advocates and families. Engage self-advocates and family groups in planning efforts to increase integrated employment.		Increase coordination for enhanced interagency transition support related to employment.
EFLSMP	Create a unified plan to transform Iowa's policies and funding structures to align with Employment First. Establish partnerships with employment and related systems to develop cooperative funding agreements for seamless systems.			
IVRS	Governance Group, Employment Operations Team	Ticket to Work and Partnership Plus	Walgreens/Occupational skills training	Project SEARCH
EDI		Training and technical assistance in Self Employment for people with mental health disabilities	Technical assistance to providers to promote self employment and usage of Ticket to Work	
EDRN			Provide qualified candidates to, and be a resource for Iowa's business community.	

Government bodies with the responsibility of using public funds participate in initiatives recognizing that employment opportunities in integrated community sites that address wage and hour outcomes, are a priority.