

Appendix A

Summary of Public Comments for Community Choices, HIV/AIDS Waiver Renewals, and Mechanical Ventilator Dependent Waiver Amendment, and Waiver Specific Transition Plan

Public Meeting: May 3, 2016, Columbia, SC

1. When you visited the Adult Day Health Care, did you interview the participants?

State's Response: Yes, we did. We spent typically about 2-3 hours in the adult day health care, getting there in the morning, seeing people engage, observing and interacting with the beneficiaries. We asked questions such as: Are your needs being met? Do you enjoy what you're doing here? Is there anything you would like to change? We received a lot of feedback that we will use to help us assess the adult day health care settings.

2. If going back to the monthly rate, will the ID/RD waiver be affected?

State's response: I believe there are efforts on their side to do the same thing. I think the Community Options area could speak better on that than we could.

Webinar: May 11, 2016, Statewide

No questions/comments received.

Public Comment Period: April 25, 2016 – May 25, 2016

Electronic Questions:

May 3, 2016:

1. This morning there was a mention of changes to the Serious Incident Reports. Do these go only to CMS? Do they come to you too? I wasn't clear on who was covered—all of participants in these waivers in any kind of facility or program outside the home?

State's Response: The data are gathered internally and submitted to CMS for Evidentiary which occurs eighteen months prior to the expiration of the waiver. The data will be representative of all participants in our three waivers (Community Choices, HIV/AIDS, and Mechanical Ventilator Dependent). Majority of our participants reside in their own homes but some participants in our Community Choices and HIV/AIDS waivers may reside in a Community Residential Care Facility (CRCF).

2. We get the reports on PRTFs (because of a federal regulation). Would there be a way we could get these reports?

State's Response: The State is willing to share de-identified information related to these reports with our stakeholders upon request.

3. Also, is the webcast next Wed essentially this same presentation?

State's Response: Yes. The webcast presentation will discuss the same information presented at the Public Meeting held on May 3, 2016.

May 5, 2016

4. Could you please provide me with the proposed monthly fixed rate for case management in the Community Choices and HIV waivers?

State's Response: The proposed monthly rate is \$65.00 for case management in the Community Choices and HIV waivers. Please note that this proposed rate is only an estimate and may not be reflective of the actual rate that will be established during the implementation of the renewals.

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5. Case Management billing changes from the 15 minute increment back to the one monthly rate (for billable activity) apply to case management for SCDDSN? If so, when will this occur?

State's Response: The change to monthly case management rate discussed during the webinar applies to the Community Long Term Care program and will only affect the waivers that are operated and administered under this program (e.g., Community Choices, HIV/AIDS, and the Mechanical Ventilator Dependent waivers).

Non-electronic Questions/comments:

The State did not receive any non-electronic questions/comments.