

Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Rule Workgroup

HCBS Rule Workgroup Monthly Meeting
August 1, 2019

Agenda

- Welcome, Introductions
- Statewide Transition Plan (STP) Update
- Home and Community-Based (HCB) Settings Quality Review Process: South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (SCDDSN) Settings
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) HCB Settings Small Group Discussion Calls
- General Updates

Statewide Transition Plan (STP)

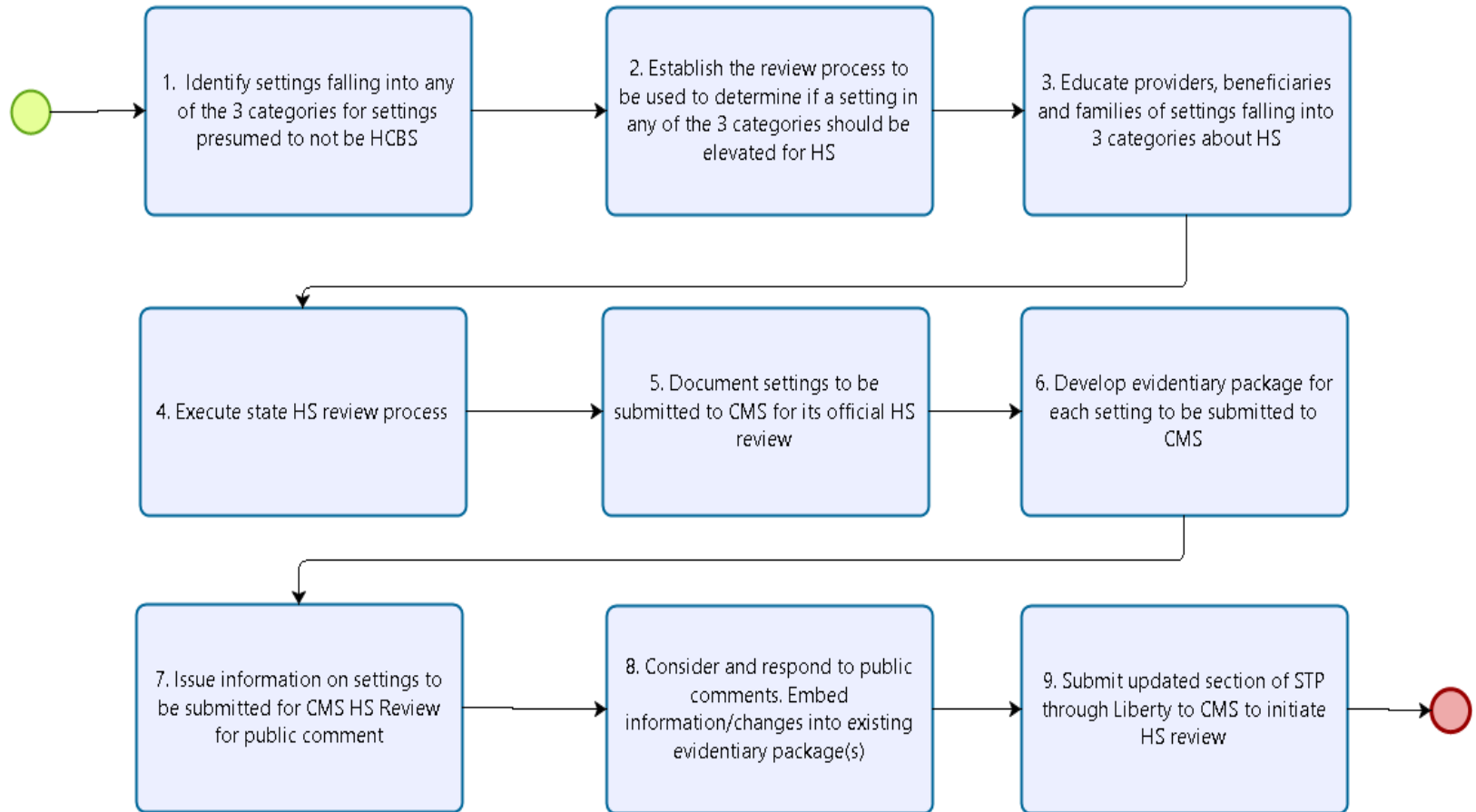
- Public notice of STP for CMS “final approval” consideration
 - Aug. 12 – Sept. 13, 2019
 - Submit to CMS by Sept. 27, 2019
- Plan must include all elements defined by CMS (1)
- Revisions to include updates:
 - Systemic changes made
 - Settings assessment process and results
 - State-level heightened scrutiny (HS) processes
- SCDHHS HCBS Website – Statewide Transition Plan (2)

Statewide Transition Plan (STP)

- Public Meetings, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
 - Aug. 13, 2019
Five Forks Branch Library, Meeting Rm A
104 Sunnydale Dr.
Simpsonville, SC
 - Aug. 15, 2019
Otranto Road Regional Library
2261 Otranto Road
North Charleston, SC
 - Aug. 22, 2019
Babcock Center, Mary L. Duffie Administration Building
2725 Banny Jones Ave.
West Columbia, SC
- Webinar
 - Aug. 20, 2019
 - 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 - Register:
<https://zoom.us/webinar/register/0cbfe4c5f6f40f2e7c24e00bf0acd2b8>

HCBS Settings Quality Review Process: SCDDSN Settings

South Carolina State-Level HS Process



HCB Settings Quality Review Process: SCDDSN Settings (Cont'd)

- Also called “state-level review”
- Updated information can be found at the SCDHHS HCBS website (3)
 - Will be adding additional information soon
- State-level review process detailed in Section 5 of STP
 - Received very little stakeholder feedback
- Will be putting together Stakeholder Advisory Committee in the next month
- State-level review Process will begin no later than October 2019

HCBS Compliance – 2022 and Beyond

- As a reminder, CMS is clear:
 - ALL HCB settings must be in compliance by 2022
 - There is NO remediation for any non-compliant setting after that date
 - If a setting is non-compliant, the state cannot claim federal financial participation (FFP) for any services provided in that setting
- ***Do the work now!***

CMS HCB Settings Small Group Discussion Calls

- CMS created small group calls for HCB settings questions
 - Small groups organized by states
 - SC is in small group 2 (with AL, FL, GA, KY, MD, MS, NC, PA, VA, DC, WV)
 - Share ideas, strategies related to STP implementation
 - Raise issues for CMS attention
 - Have a CMS and an Administration on Community Living (ACL) representative on the call
- Next call: August 5

General Updates

- Disability Benefits & Employment workshop - Sumter
 - August 8, 2019; 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
 - [Register here](#)
- Disability Benefits & Employment workshop – Lexington
 - August 27, 2019; 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
 - [Register here](#)
- Other updates?

Comments/Questions

Resources

- 1) CMS (July 2018). The Process for Final Approval of the Statewide Transition Plan. Found at:
<https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/hcbs/downloads/training/process-final-appvl-stp.pdf>
- 2) SCDHHS HCBS Website (2019). HCBS Statewide Transition Plan. Found at:
<https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/site-page/hcbs-statewide-transition-plan>
- 3) SCDHHS HCBS Website (2019). HCB Settings Review. Found at:
<https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/site-page/hcb-settings-review>
- 4) CMS (March 22, 2019). Updated Frequently Asked Questions on Heightened Scrutiny Provisions. Found at:
<https://www.medicaid.gov/federal-policy-guidance/downloads/smd19001.pdf>

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SCDHHS HCBS Website

<https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/>

