

Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Rule Workgroup

HCBS Rule Workgroup Monthly Meeting
Aug. 5, 2021

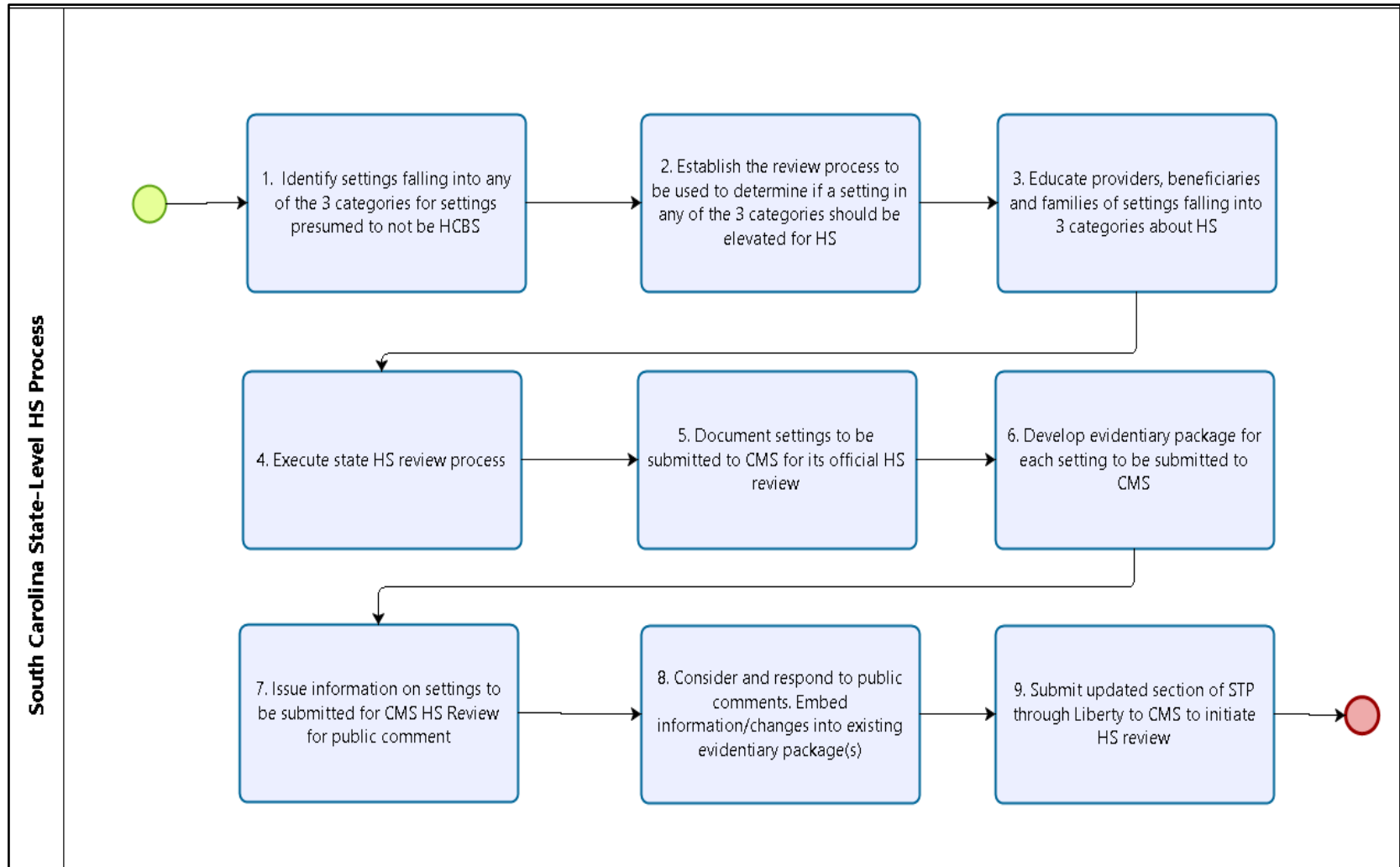
Agenda

- Welcome and introductions
- South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) COVID-19 resources
- Home and Community-Based (HCB) Settings Quality Review Process: South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (SCDDSN) Settings
- Conflict-free Case Management (CFCM) transition update
- General updates

SCDHHS COVID-19 Resources

- SCDHHS has resources related to COVID-19 for its Healthy Connections Medicaid program and other SCDHHS-administered programs online at <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/covid19/> (1)
 - Appendix K updates are posted here: <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/covid19/other-covid-19-resources/appendix-k-amendment>
- South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) resources on COVID-19 can be found online at <https://scdhec.gov/covid19/>
 - Testing information: <https://scdhec.gov/covid19/find-covid-19-testing-location>
 - Vaccine information: <https://scdhec.gov/covid19/covid-19-vaccine>

HCB Settings Quality Review Process: SCDDSN Settings



Deadlines

- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) revised deadlines for the heightened scrutiny process (2)
 - Category 2 settings (next to or on the grounds of a public institution) must be submitted to CMS no later than March 31, 2021
 - Category 3 settings (may have the effect of isolating individuals):
 - If the setting can be remediated by July 1, 2021, it's not submitted to CMS for heightened scrutiny review but still must be publicly listed
 - If the setting can be remediated, but not until after July 1, 2021, it must be submitted to CMS by Oct. 31, 2021

Category 3 Settings

- Category 3 settings
 - 109 total reviewed
 - Public notice and comment period:
 - Aug. 23 – Oct. 1, 2021
 - General webinar: Aug. 25, 2021
 - 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 - Information to register on the SCDHHS HCBS website (3)
 - All waiver participants in these homes (or day programs) will receive a letter with specific meeting information
 - Public notice will be released Aug. 23, 2021
 - Submission date to CMS:
 - Oct. 29, 2021

HCB Settings Quality Review Process Resources

- Information can be found on the SCDHHS HCBS website (4)
 - State-level review process detailed in section five of the Statewide Transition Plan (STP)
- Recorded presentations for waiver participants and families who live in and/or attend settings in this process available on the SCDHHS HCBS website:
 - On the Members & Families page (5)
 - On the Presentations page (6)

CFCM

- Transition update:
 - SCDDSN working with providers to track their progress on transitioning waiver participants out of conflict
 - Providers have approved plans to transition participants out of conflict
 - All plans support the SCDHHS transition plan benchmarks as approved by CMS
 - SCDDSN will provide SCDHHS with regular progress updates

General Updates

- Upcoming public comment:
 - The following waivers are up for renewal and will be released for public comment soon:
 - Medically Complex Children (MCC) waiver
 - Intellectually Disabled and Related Disabilities (ID/RD) waiver
 - Public notice will be posted on www.scdhhs.gov
 - On the SCDHHS website, go to “Communications” on the top menu
 - From the drop-down menu that appears, click on “Public Notice”
 - All information and dates will be included there

General Updates *(cont.)*

- Hire Me SC – Employment Resource Groups (7)
 - Six-week group held on Tuesdays
 - Aug. 24 – Sept. 28
 - 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
 - Information and registration online (link in Resources section of this presentation [slide 14])

General Updates *(cont.)*

- Road to Inclusion webinar series (8)
 - Session 4: Disability Road Map film preview and discussion
 - Sept. 22, 2021
 - 12:30 – 2 p.m.
 - Information and registration online (link in “Resources” section of this presentation [slide 14])
 - Sponsored by Able South Carolina, Center for Disability Resources, Disability Rights South Carolina and SC Developmental Disabilities Council
- Information to share with the group?

Comments/Questions

Resources

- 1) SCDHHS Website (2020). South Carolina Healthy Connections Medicaid: COVID 19. Found at: <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/covid19/>
- 2) Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (2020). State Medicaid Director Letter #20-003. Found at: <https://www.medicaid.gov/Federal-Policy-Guidance/Downloads/smd20003.pdf>
- 3) SCDHHS HCBS Website (2020). HCBS Statewide Transition Plan. Found at: <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/site-page/hcbs-statewide-transition-plan>
- 4) SCDHHS HCBS Website (2020). HCBS Statewide Transition Plan. Found at: <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/site-page/hcbs-statewide-transition-plan>
- 5) SCDHHS HCBS Website (2020). Members and Families. Found at: <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/site-page/members-families>

Resources (cont.)

- 6) SCDHHS HCBS Website (2020). Presentations. Found at: <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/site-page/presentations>
- 7) Hire Me SC (2020). Employment Resource Groups. Information and registration at: <https://www.hiremesc.org/events/2021/8/24/reeveerg>
- 8) SC Developmental Disabilities Council (2021). Road to Inclusion webinar series, Session 4. Found at: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yUf14FGCRv2jqobRSn1Yng

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SCDHHS HCBS Website

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

