

ECONOMIC SERVICE PROGRAMS
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
February 7, 2018

Committee Chairs: Trish Baker, Will Wakefield & Cathy Lytch

Present: Nellie Rodger, Lynda Kennedy, Barbara Batts, Lapisha Mitchell, John Carroll, Clint Lewis, Rachael Thonton, Janine Rowe, Lisa Harrison, Chuck Lycett, Dolly Huffman Clayton; Charlotte Gibbons, Heather Skeens, Renage Andrews, Antonia Pedroza, Liz Scott, Susan Chaney & Lindsey Shewmaker

State: David Locklear, David Giovacchini, Jose Merza & Charlotte Gibbons

DAAS **Joyce Massey-Smith**

- Joyce unable to attend. No updated.
- Charlotte Gibbons has replaced Chris Urso

DCDEE **Jose**

- State spending co-efficient is 95%. State has contacted all counties about reversions and reallocations. State has identified 4 million of the 7 million needed to cover expenses for the year. The 4 million does not include the 2 million of the state set aside. State plans on putting 1.5 million of the 2 million toward the 7 million needed.
- Over and Underpayments – state is running another test regarding overpayments. Hope to have information to counties to start calculating and collecting overpayments in March. State is uncertain how much the total overpayment to daycare providers. It can be as little as \$600,000 and as much as 4 million. However, state believes 4 million is not likely.
- Counties will be asked to calculate is overpayment amount is correct and contact the daycare centers.
- Because overpayments were due to system error, repayment agreements do not need to be signed. However, counties should contact centers to ensure 20% automatic recoument will not hinder center's operations.

DSS **David Locklear**

- DCD letter emailed 2/7/18 regarding FNS applications time standards
- DCD letter emailed 2/7/18 and effective upon receipt. Case worker signatures are no longer needed for FNS recerts and applications
- 8650 – counties are reminded to try to conduct interviews when client's are in the office. If it is not possible to conduct the interview with the client, should be scheduled on the day of application but before the 3rd day.
- DSS goal is to send out letters on Wednesdays, unless information needs to be sent immediately.

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- FNS Training scheduled for April 11-13th. State is working on a letter. Counties can send up to 4 individuals. State will pay for 2 rooms per county for counties that are more than 35 miles from the convention center. State will not pay mileage, but hope to provide breakfast and lunch.
- Work First 2 parent participation report – DSS goal is to have report accurate by March 1st
- ABAWD report – hope to have this report by March. Number of ABAWD in county
- DSS still working on new website.
- BDT update – DCD letter addressing county participation and numbers

NC FAST David Giovacchini,

- P-9 Update – kick off for pilot counties next week. Plan for pilot counties to go live in October 2018 and remaining counties to go live December 2018
 - User check points scheduled for April with pilot counties
 - Watch for communication regarding statewide conference calls
- Curram Update – scheduled for April. Will change the look but not the functions of NC FAST. Will still log on in the same manner. Changes are to make NC FAST more user friendly for tablets and phones. Better visibility and resolution. Will be updating all job aids/training with side by side comparison of old version with new version.
- Document Management – Wayne Black will be sending out letter regarding cost, reimbursement, etc regarding document management solutions.

DMA Carolyn McClanahan

- NEMT Policy – policy is almost finalized, working on gathering information on how to address vendor fraud. There will be a webinar to address policy updates.
- Health Choice – program has been funded for 6 years
- Medicaid Transformation – contract is Debra Ferrington. It is anticipated that waivers will be approved. Medicaid transformation is expected to rollout July 2019. Eligibility process will not change. Trying to determine how to transfer individuals or sign them up for a plan. Committee will invite Debra Ferrington to a future meeting.
- No Touch Recert Pilot – 4 pilot counties: Mecklenburg, Brunswick, Surry and Wilks. NC FAST will start OVS process and for MAGI cases will complete recert for cases that do not have any income. State is working on getting work number integrated into NC FAST to expand No Touch Recerts.
- Case Worker Certification legislation – requires the state to develop a certification program in order to work in NC FAST. State has 1 year to develop. Once certified, case workers will need to be recertified every 3 years. Once developed, all staff will need to be certified in 18 months. Committee has asked the state to work with community college programs when developing the certification.
- General Assembly requirements to work reports – we have asked the state for a list of reports that counties are required to work. State is in the planning stage to identify the reports and put

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them all in one location. Also working on developing a system for counties to report back that they have been reported.

- PERM – it is believed that the PERM will be in July 2018. State does not have a lot of details. CMS has hired a vendor to conduct PERM in each state. They will be looking at claim sampling and will track back to eligibility.
- Medicaid Overpayment & Recoupments – admin rule to charge counties when Medicaid claims are paid on cases that ineligible and in cases when application was denied but individual should have been approved and had to pay for healthcare. Watch for DCD letter for more information in the next week. Details were not shared in the committee.