



The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School

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ASH Redesign Campus & Continuum Clinical Strategies Work Group

Monday, September 21, 2020 ▪ 1:00-2:00pm ▪ Conference Call

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Recommendations & next steps
3. Update on HCBS
4. Close

Attendees:

Cory Morris, Sydney Harris, Colleen Horton, Jim Baker, Rishi Sawhney, Courtney Seals, Kristopher Steinke, Sonja Burns, Dawn Handley, Sarah Cook, Barbara Beadles

Minutes

Welcome

The group was welcomed and the agenda was reviewed. The group was thanked for the work they've been doing and confirmed this is the last meeting for this workgroup.

Recommendations & next steps

The group reviewed the draft recommendations sent to all group members previously. It was clarified that these recommendations are still in draft form and will be finalized once all feedback has been received. A member asked how priority was determined and the group provided feedback on experience with this.

Update on HCBS

A member shared a document with compiled questions surrounding HCBS-AMH. This document will be sent to group members after the meeting. It is expected that there will be more robust data available in the coming year as data capture will be transitioning to automation. A member asked for clarification on housing stipends and how housing is covered through HCBS-AMH. An explanation of different options/levels of care living situations was provided. It was shared that there is nothing HCBS-AMH participants would be excluded from in regards to housing stipends or other housing assistance. HHSC will look into housing information and share with the group. The group discussed whether individuals on the HCS waitlist can be enrolled in HCBS-AMH or if they would lose their spot. A member expressed concern over the division between mental health needs and IDD needs. It was shared with the group that there is a pilot program for IDD individuals. There is also an internal HHSC work group researching why there are barriers for people who need both mental health and IDD services. The group discussed how Medicaid eligibility or discontinuation of services in the jail population can be detrimental to individuals who would otherwise be eligible for the program.

Close

The group was thanked and asked to email DMS if they are interested in continuing to participate in the ASH Redesign Project.