

Transition and Implementation Committee
Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2012

Attendees: Peter Mason, Stan Soby, Thomas Dailey, Quincy Abbot, Pat Dillon,

Absent: Elisa Velardo, Varian Salters

1. Peter provided an overview of the work to date of the full rate setting committees as well as each of the other sub committees.
2. The group reviewed the efficiency studies developed by CCPA and CT Non-profits.
3. The group had a discussion regarding the Level of Need tool and its application as it was listed on the streamlining efficiency list. This included the use of the medical and behavioral score when determining the LON rate, the possibility of tweaking the medical score for certain diagnoses, looking at scheduling more training for case managers to ensure consistency, and the possibility of a review or appeal process. Stan stated that the providers would like a statistician to relook at the tool. Peter stated that the tool was designed by a statistician and this would not be something the Department would be interested in pursuing.
4. Peter mentioned that the reason why the regional LON Liaisons were created was to address providers concerns on inconsistencies. He stated that they have received minimal calls. Stan asked if those names could be sent out to providers again. Peter said he would send out the list.
5. The other topic discussed revolved around QSR and licensing regulations.
6. Quincy talked about the Balance Incentive Payment Program (BIP). It is a program that would increase the federal waiver match 2%. CT currently has the federal maximum match of 50%. The program would require:
 - A standard assessment tool that would be applied across all waivers operated by the State of CT.
 - There can be no wrong door approach. If an individual with intellectual disabilities comes in through the ABI waiver the state would need to direct the person to DDS.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2012 from 1-3:30 p.m.