

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOTES

Meeting Details		
Date : July 13, 2021	Time : 1:30 – 3:00 PM	Location: WebEx

Tentative Agenda

I. Welcome & Call to Order

Theresa Silla (ICH) welcomed attendees. After noting that there were no objections to approving the meeting minutes for the June Executive Committee Meetings, Ms. Silla walked through the July 13 meeting agenda and purpose.

II. For Discussion

a. Leveraging Medicaid

Dena Hasan (Department of Human Services) shared the goals and process for establishing a new Medicaid benefit for Housing Supportive Services (HSS) to leverage federal funding for housing navigation and stabilization services associated with locally funded PSH, which would allow Medicaid to pay for 70% of eligible services. New PSH rates account for administrative burden of billing to Medicaid and account for expenses associated with meeting CMS requirements related to third party, conflict free assessments and care planning. The State Plan Amendment (SPA) will be submitted October 2021, the MOU/MOA for Oversight/Agency Relationship will be completed January 2022, and the benefit will start April 2022.

b. Establishing Employment Priorities for FY22

Ms. Silla noted that Homeward DC 2.0 identifies 17 strategies focused in employment and income. These are found in Goal 8 of the plan, "Improve Employment and Income Growth Opportunities for Clients". The Committee must identify FY22 priorities and develop work plans, in conjunction with Workforce Development partners, particularly Workforce Investment Council (WIC) and Department of Employment Services (DOES). The preliminary discussion at the July Executive Committee meeting highlighted: social work candidate pipeline; hiring and training peers for front-line, entry-level opportunities; improving client access to employment & workforce programs; and building provider capacity to deliver employment & workforce development services. The group agreed on these priorities and noted the need to gain feedback from those with lived experience and to ensure entrepreneurship opportunities/support is discussed in future focus groups around client access.

III. Governance

a. Annual Review of Roles, Responsibilities, and Special Projects

Ms. Silla shared the Executive Committee Roles & Responsibilities, the FY21 Priorities and request feedback on FY22 priorities. The group discussed adding the priorities of Employment and Singles Housing Dashboard to Track Voucher Usage. The committee delegated dashboard creation to the Singles Adult System WG which would be reviewed by the Executive Committee.

b. Committee Co-Chair Process & Selection Criteria

Theresa Silla from ICH noted that the Executive Committee needs to nominate a new co-chair and will share a survey with the committee for the questions that should be on the nomination form.

Decisions & Action Items

Action Items:

- Feedback from ICH regarding co-chair nomination questions
- Single Adult System WG to create Singles Housing Dashboard to Track Voucher Usage

Next Meeting		
Date: August 10, 2021	Time : 1:30 – 3:00 PM	Location: WebEx