

## Meeting summary for ID/DD Member Call (10/02/2024)

### Quick recap

Josh and pete discussed the status of the Outcome Tracking System and the upcoming Quarterly meeting with the Department of Health and Dodd. They also discussed the need for in-person and video trainings for staff, the development of a companion document, and the ongoing survey by Christine Tubble from Opera. Additionally, pete discussed the ICF group's budget plans, a survey conducted by Bethany Toledo, and the need for cost analysis due to budgetary constraints.

### Next steps

- All providers to access and begin working in the Outcome Tracking System, reporting any issues encountered to Josh or Pete.
  - Providers to share successful Ohio ISP practices or companion documents with Josh to be forwarded to Brad Weiner for training development.
  - Providers to complete the coalition survey on rate increases and workforce situation, sending responses to Christine Tubble if not already submitted.
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### Summary

#### Outcome Tracking System and Quarterly Meeting

Josh and pete discussed the status of the Outcome Tracking System, which is now open for use. They asked for feedback on any issues encountered while using the system. They also reminded the team about the upcoming Quarterly meeting with the Department of Health and Dodd to discuss survey-related topics. Josh encouraged the team to provide any survey-related issues they wanted to address.

#### In-Person and Video Trainings for Staff Development

Josh discussed the need for in-person and video trainings for staff, as well as the development of a companion document to guide the process. He encouraged team members to share their successful practices and any user guides they use for completing Ohio Isps. pete added that the main concern was the difference between goals and outcomes, and how to create a document that both the Health Department and Dodd would find appropriate. He also mentioned that there was skepticism about how long it would take for the Department of Health's Survey Management to approve the more Dodd-type approach.

#### Opera Survey Feedback From Agency Providers

Thanks, pete. Josh and pete discuss an ongoing survey by Christine Tubble from Opera to gather feedback from agency providers on the impact of recent rate increases,

workforce situation, and level of services provided. The survey deadline was Monday, but late responses are still accepted. As of the coalition's recent virtual meeting, 87 agencies had responded, higher than 60 agencies in April's survey, though the target was around 100 responses.

### **ICF Group Budget Plans and Advocacy Alignment**

pete discussed the ICF group's budget plans and the need for everyone in the field to be in alignment for advocacy purposes. He mentioned a meeting with the ICF group on Friday to further discuss the budget. pete also highlighted the importance of unity in the face of a potentially tough budget and the need to work out issues outside of the budget to avoid diluting focus. He mentioned that some providers had responded to a survey about their need to expand, which is part of the budget process.

### **Survey Results and DSP Professional Satisfaction**

pete discussed a survey conducted by Bethany Toledo on 282 Dsps at their recognition event. The survey results showed that only 2% of the respondents were dissatisfied enough to consider leaving the profession. However, pete noted that the sample might be skewed as most attendees were tenured individuals, with 45% having worked in the field for more than 10 years. Despite this, pete suggested that the survey results could be a useful talking point to maintain the current situation.

### **Budget Constraints, Cost Analysis, and Training Sessions**

pete discussed the need for cost analysis due to budgetary constraints and the replacement of Arpa dollars used for rate increases. He also addressed a 5th invoice issue where counties were overbilled for services, raising concerns about the upcoming budget. pete promised to keep the team updated on further discussions and issues. He then handed the discussion back to Josh, who announced two upcoming training sessions: one on October 10th by Station, MD, and another on October 17th on medication administration responsibilities. No other topics or issues were raised, and the meeting was adjourned.

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