Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services Statewide Webinar: Themes and Issues January 13, 2016

1-Costs

Concern about finances related to the (i) and (k) option – will costs be able to be controlled?

2-Rural versus Urban

Need more clarification about how the options would affect those in rural Alaska as opposed to more urban populations.

3-Conflict Free Case Management

Interest in clarifying conflict-free case management and the different requirements for the (i) and (k) options.

Concern about the future of the 1915c waiver—will it be eliminated?

Need to define the primary use of 1915(i); clarification needed on target population of (i) and basis of services (functionality vs. diagnosis).

4-Service Options

Requests for examples of different blending options between (c) and (k) services or (c) and (i) services; clarification of services offered under each options.

Incredibly important to have stakeholder involvement and input on the functional assessment tool—need to define clearly what these tools are (SIS, ICAP, etc.).

5-Next Steps

Explain the next steps after stakeholder engagement as well as timeline and to what extent the feedback from the forums will be incorporated.

Provide the public with resources and tools they may refer to in order to find out about future education opportunities similar to the webinar.

Explain the difference between the dates of when service packages become available and what the timeline of the implementation plan is.

Provide information on the extent the public will be able to remain involved in the implementation plan from this point forward given the fact that the stakeholder engagement component has been completed.

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