From: Fawver, Trish <TFawver@merakey.org>
Sent: Monday, September 13, 2021 2:31 PM

To: Smith, Rick

Subject: [External] FW: ODP Financial Workgroup - Staffing Hours Survey **Attachments:** Waiver Residential Fee Schedule Staffing Hours Survey 2021.xlsx

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Following up to confirm if you will be sending a survey to the workgroup to complete or if we should update the file Thomas attached.

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Sent: Friday, September 10, 2021 2:36 PM

To: Smith, Rick >; Melanie Opalka Bentler <mopalka@stjosephscenter.org>; Chris Elliott <CElliott@barberni.org>

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Subject: ODP Financial Workgroup - Staffing Hours Survey

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Rick,

Per your request, please find attached a simplified staffing hours survey based on the daily staffing hours planned/scheduled on:

- An average "without day" day
- And an average "with day" day

The first tab is the survey template. The second tab is an example of how to fill it out based on a few real life scenarios.

Best regards,

Tom

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Subject: RE: [External] RE: ODP Financial Workgroup - CPS Transportation Costs

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Thanks for the productive discussion today. Attached is the residential survey from 2016 that we discussed. Perhaps we could have a brief discussion Friday at noon to agree on a relevant time period to report on and an expected response time?

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Wage survey from 2017

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Thank you.

Below are also a few answers from questions from the last meeting...

Which assumption are dedicated training staff and schedulers captured in? This would be captured in the Other Program Staff wages cost category, if it applies to the service. If the training and scheduling staff is not specific to a service, these costs would be covered by the administrative factor that is built into each service fee.

Other program staff or admin? Same as above.

Do we have a more detailed description of the costs captured by the admin % assumption? The administrative factor captures costs related to operations and not related to the direct provision of services (e.g., administrative staff, executive leadership, accounting, human resources, office supplies, office leases, etc.). This is consistent with the factor definition from CMS (Slide 1 (medicaid.gov)).

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Chris – This is a very helpful analysis

Rick – When developing this (and other) assumptions please consider that these historic costs have increased considerably with inflation and we anticipate they will not decrease back to Feb. 2020 levels. For example:

• According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics consumer price index, the cost of a new vehicle has increased by <u>6.8%</u> since February 2020. The cost of used cars has increased 41.7%.

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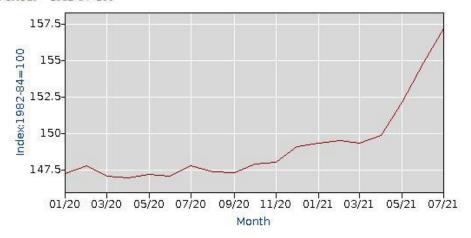
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2021	149.377	149.515	149.321	149.892	152.143	154.847	157.203						150.849	

• As far as gas prices: According to federal government data gas prices have increased 43.5% as compared the period covered by Chris's cost summary.

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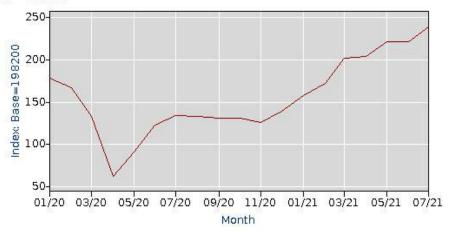
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2020	178.5	167.0	133.3	62.6	90.8	122.5	134.6	133.5	131.5	131.3	126.2	139.2
2021	157.5	171.8	202.4	203.9(P)	221.5(P)	221.8(P)	239.6(P)					

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Good morning,

I wanted to add to the discussion yesterday about CPS and in particular the transportation costs. I pulled our transportation/vehicle related costs in one of our CPS service locations from July 2019 Through Feb 2020 and annualized it for a full fiscal year. This location, as can be seen below, was right at 25% of time in the community in terms of total units provided thru Feb 2020. I then pulled our client census as of February 2020. What can be seen is that for 3 individuals within this CPS program, which was out in the community 25% of the time, our transportation costs were roughly \$11,000. This is more than double the assumption of \$5,000. Therefore, if we just rollforward using an index the \$5,000, we will still be drastically short in terms of the costs it takes to take our clients out into the community. If you have any questions about this, please let me know but I think it is important to capture the true costs we are seeing when spending time out in the community.

Expense	χ	TD Feb FY20	AnnuaBied VID Feb FV20			
Veluel: Instance	\$	87.357	Ş	830,885		
Motor Vetecte Repros	\$	24.863	\$	35,992		
Feel, Parking, Tells	\$	40.436	5	60.639		
Vehicle Interest	\$	9,240	\$	13,874		
DepriAment - Motor Vehicles	*	19,933		71,866		
Total Velacie Costs	\$	211,504	5	317,250		
Client Census Feb SY20	:	87	:	87		
Velucle Costs / Cheut	\$	2333	\$	\$.ሱ37		
Vehicle Costs X 3 Citeats	\$	7,793	\$	19,948		
Colt Lype	Uni	i t s	% in	Совиналіту		
CPS - Community		69,563		24,5%		
CPS - Facility		2.13.1.57		75.5%		
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From: Smith, Rick

Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2021 10:10 AM

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Will add to agenda. Thanks

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Good morning Rick,

Thanks for sending this. I should have asked this last meeting but I was wondering if we could add a quick discussion to the agenda. There are a number of us who are new to working through this process with you, so what are the goals that ODP hopes to accomplish from this workgroup? More importantly, what are the goals that ODP hopes to accomplish through the rate refresh process?

Thanks and I look forward to the discussion,

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Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 10:39 AM

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Good morning,

Here is a rough agenda for the Non-Residential discussion tomorrow from 12-2...

30 min - Follow up from initial meeting (Rick)

TPA Survey Questions Current BLS Data

Current assumptions versus historical cost reports

90 min - Discussion of service level assumptions

CPS

IHCS

Supported Employment
Nursing
Housing Tenancy & Transition Sustaining
Other non-res service priorities

For those of you attending in person, we have reserved room 327 which will hopefully give us sufficient technology to make a hybrid meeting work. Look forward to the discussion.

Thanks, Rick

From: Smith, Rick

Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 8:23 AM

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Cc: Ahrens, Kristin >; Gilligan, Gloria >; Race, Andrea

Subject: RE: ODP Financial Workgroup

Good morning,

Here is a rough agenda for this afternoon discussion...

15 min-Introductions (all)

Name/role

What services does your agency provide? Approximate annual funding received from ODP? How many individuals do you support?

15 min-Expectations/Rate setting process (Kristin/Rick)

Cost Components:

Wages (direct care and other program staff)

Employee Related Expenses

Paid Time Off

Full time/part-time split

Billable Hours Per Day

Absentee Factor

Staffing Ratios

Transportation

Occupancy

Food and supply costs

Training costs

Administration Percentage

30 min-General discussion

Where are pain points in system (services)? i.e. which services cause most financial distress

Covid impacts on staffing

Thoughts on gathering staff vacancy and overtime data

Plan for next two meetings – Propose 8/25 11-1 for non-residential services

Thanks and looking forward to talking to you,

Rick

From: Smith, Rick

Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2021 10:53 AM

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Cc: Ahrens, Kristin Subject: ODP Financial Workgroup

Thank you for agreeing to be part of our financial workgroup. The main task of the workgroup is to provide current input and perspective on ODP's fee schedule rate assumptions. The existing rate assumptions can be found at

https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/ODP-Rates.aspx. If you are not familiar with these assumptions, I would ask that you review them prior to the first meeting. We anticipate scheduling a 1-hour kickoff meeting where we talk through process and expectations and two longer meetings (2-3 hours) where we get into details of the assumptions, probably focusing on non-residential services at one meeting and residential at the next. The kickoff meeting will be virtual, but depending on feedback, we may want to schedule the detailed meetings with an in-person option. Please let me know if **Thursday Aug 19 from 3-4pm** would work for the initial meeting.

Best, Rick

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