

**September 6, 2023 Managed Long-Term Services and Supports (MLTSS) Subcommittee
Meeting Follow-Up Items for the
October 4, 2023 MLTSS Subcommittee Meeting**

1. Related to the Wage Study, audience member Teri Henning asked in CHAT if the Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL) intends to read the wage study language more broadly to include wages paid by individual providers to caregivers? Individual program offices typically don't pay direct care workers directly. Can you talk a little more about how you see the wage study working?

Juliet responded that this is fairly new in that it was passed in the Senate on August 31, 2023. We will get back to the broader community with additional details about how the Wage Study will be working as this is a Department of Human Services (DHS)-wide effort.

2. Related to Sheltered Workshops, audience member Jeff Iseman asked how many OLTL participants are in sheltered workshop employment? Juliet Marsala said that there shouldn't be any OLTL funding for services within sheltered workshop settings, but we can follow up on whether or not there are participants in those settings for other services. Randy Loss from OLTL to provide a response.

Randy Loss confirmed that OLTL does not provide funding for sheltered workshops. As such, there is no data tracked on the subpopulation since there is no OLTL funding provided for sheltered workshop slots.

3. Related to Employment Services, subcommittee member Lloyd Wertz asked if there was an expectation for the number of people who will participate in employment services? If so, he asked how has that been established and how is that information being tracked on an ongoing quarter by quarter basis or a year by year basis? And if that information could be shared in a future meeting. Randy Loss from OLTL to provide a response.

Randy Loss responded that there is a template to track data categories and metrics for each category. This information is tracked monthly, although Service Coordinators may only update participant employment details quarterly. While OLTL receives monthly reports, data may be the same month by month for a quarter since input is only gathered quarterly. This template will be provided as an Additional Document on the MLTSS Meeting Minutes ListServ shortly after the meeting today.

4. Related to the Data Dash, audience member Garrett Beauregard asked through CHAT if the OLTL Data Dash included a breakout of population by County. He stated that this was a recommendation at the recent Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) conference. OLTL to respond.

OLTL responded that it is currently working on adding the breakdown by county to include the Nursing Facility Ineligible (NFI), and Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) populations to the Data Dash.

5. Related to Shared Savings, audience member Amy Lowenstein asked if AmeriHealth Caritas (AHC)/Keystone First (KF), PA Health and Wellness (PHW), and UPMC could outline the shared savings arrangements that they each have, including the service provider type in these arrangements and how a provider qualifies for shared savings? All three Community HealthChoices (CHC) Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) to provide an outline of their savings arrangements.

AHC/KF responded the type of shared savings arrangement is Health Care Payment (HCP) Learning and Action Network (LAN) Category 3A – Network Wide Shared Savings Alternate Payment Model (APM) with Upside Risk Only. The type of Provider(s) in the arrangement are Primary Care Physicians (PCPs) serving Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Non-Dual and NFI dual-aligned Participants. The PCP provider serving the HCBS non-dual and NFI dual-aligned participant population who performs favorably in their medical cost ratio as well as performing at or above the 50th percentile across the 10 Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) quality measures within the program can earn an incentive.

PHW responded the type of shared savings arrangement is MTM Cost per Mile Incentive, also Category 3 with Upside Risk Only. The type of provider in the arrangement is Transportation. The provider qualifies for this arrangement by meeting quality and service metrics for transportation at or under the targeted average rate per mile.

UPMC responded the type of shared savings arrangement is Premier Partners Program. The type of provider in the arrangement is certain Primary Care Physician (PCP) groups. The provider qualifies for this arrangement by being invited to participate based on the number of UPMC enrollees in a group's patient panel. However, at this time, these arrangements are not based on UPMC CHC membership.