Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

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Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities



December 12, 2019



Call to Order

Recovery Speaker

Commissioner's Report

Action Items

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Next Meeting Date

Call to Order

Kim Ryan Chair **Recovery Speaker**

Abby Kice Georgia Council on Substance Abuse

Action Items:

- Past Meeting Minutes
- Proposed 2020 Board Meeting Dates
- Board Election

Commissioner's Report

Judy Fitzgerald Commissioner

IDD Connects

Ronald Wakefield

Director Division of Developmental Disabilities



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IDD Connects: Important Facts



² Partnership with Beacon Health Options

Why Did We Need a New System?



Length of time it took from application to receipt of services

- Applicant had no visibility into status of application
- Overly complicated process



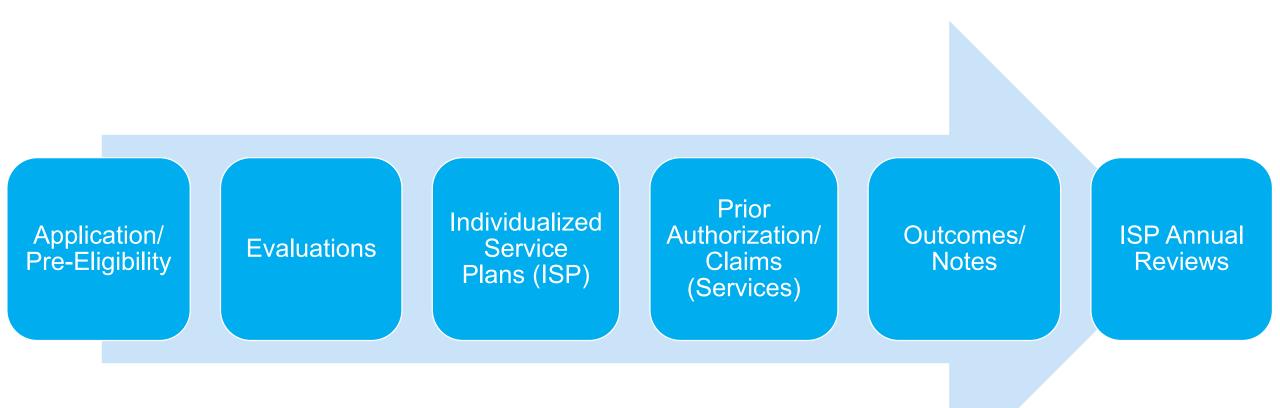
No visibility of work in progress - Lack of accountability



Thousands of excel sheets to manage work

Inefficiencies

IDD Connects: What is it?



ASO IDD Implementation: Overview and Benefits

Enable Easy Access to High- Quality Care	Create Single System of Record	Support Process Standardization	Automate key workflows and tools
 Reduces barriers to service entry Improves communication and transparency 	 Sunsets disparate systems Provides a single view of the individual 	 Fosters accountability Promotes consistent delivery 	 Reduces reliance on paper Enables better tracking and resource management

IDD Connects: Enhancements

IDD Connects will enhance existing processes:

Individuals/families will be able to track the process in real time	Track an individual from application to GMCF* level of care determination	Quickly find individuals using various search criteria
System-generated	View/monitor an	Enhancing the
work queues and	individual's service	reporting of service
notifications	utilization	delivery

ISPs will be tied directly to assessed needs by electronically populating clinically recommended services and other clinical recommendations.

*Georgia Medical Care Foundation

IDD Connects: Current Updates



² Go-live support and technical assistance

Forensic Services Overview

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Forensic Services

Forensic Evaluation and Expert Testimony

Competency Restoration

Inpatient Evaluation and Treatment

Community Forensic Services

Juvenile Forensic Services

Forensic Evaluations - Pretrial (Adult)

Evaluations:

- Competency to Stand Trial: Present ability
- Criminal Responsibility: Mental state at time of alleged offense

Customer: Court

98% **Outpatient** (mostly at the jail)

Front door to our system – state evaluators

Statewide demand increasing

Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST)

• 35% of Forensic Beds



- Restoration Rate: 70 to 80%
- Avg. Length of Stay: 120 days
- Restore Outpatient (if non-violent felony)
- Jail (Fulton County)
- Modified Jail Restoration

60%: Civilly Committed Forensic Patients

Incompetent and not restorable (>1 year)

NGRI: Insanity Acquittees

Release determined by Court

Average Length of Stay: 7 years (impact on wait list)

Treatment focus: recovery oriented and risk reduction

- Goal: Community Re-integration
- Recovery-Based Programs
 - Trauma-Informed, Sexual Behavior, Technology
- Annual Comprehensive Risk Assessment

Forensic Community Services

Community Integration Homes

- 9 locations across the state
- 61 beds
- 2 additional homes in process

Forensic Apartments

- 4 locations
- 60 beds

Forensic Community Coordinators

 25 (areas consistent with judicial boundaries)

Juvenile Forensics

- Evaluations
 - Behavioral Health
 - Competency to Stand Trial
 - Other transfer; designated felonies
- Outpatient Restoration
- 14-bed Turner Center (440 kids /Under Superior Court Jurisdiction)

Challenges

- Wait lists and continued growth: (*Eliminate Misdemeanants*)
- Testifying at geographically distant locations: (*Telecourt*)
- Balancing security and recovery (on community side: pair FCC with probation)
- Staffing
- Aging and medically compromised population; undocumented individuals
- Delays in benefits; cost of personal care homes

What Makes Us Most Proud

Recovery-Oriented Programs

Certification Program and Forensic Training

Psychiatric Fellowships

Other States Modeling Us ©

Relationship with the Courts and Sheriffs Continuum of Forensic Services Success of the People We Serve

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Chair's Report

Kim Ryan Chair

Public Comment

Next Board Meeting

Thursday, February 13, 2020 1:00 p.m.