

Behavioral Health Coordinating Council Meeting

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Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities

February 6th, 2023



Agenda

Roll Call

Call to Order

Recovery Speaker

Action Items

- November 9, 2023 Meeting Minutes

BHCC Initiative Updates

- Mindworks Georgia
 - MATCH
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Next Meeting Date

Roll Call

Chelsee Nabritt

Community Outreach Manager

Call to Order

Kevin Tanner
Commissioner

Action Items:

- November 9, 2023 Meeting Minutes

BHCC Initiatives

Mindworks Georgia

Renee Johnson, Executive Director, Mindworks GA
Center of Excellence for Children's Behavioral Health
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Overview

Mindworks
Strategic Plan

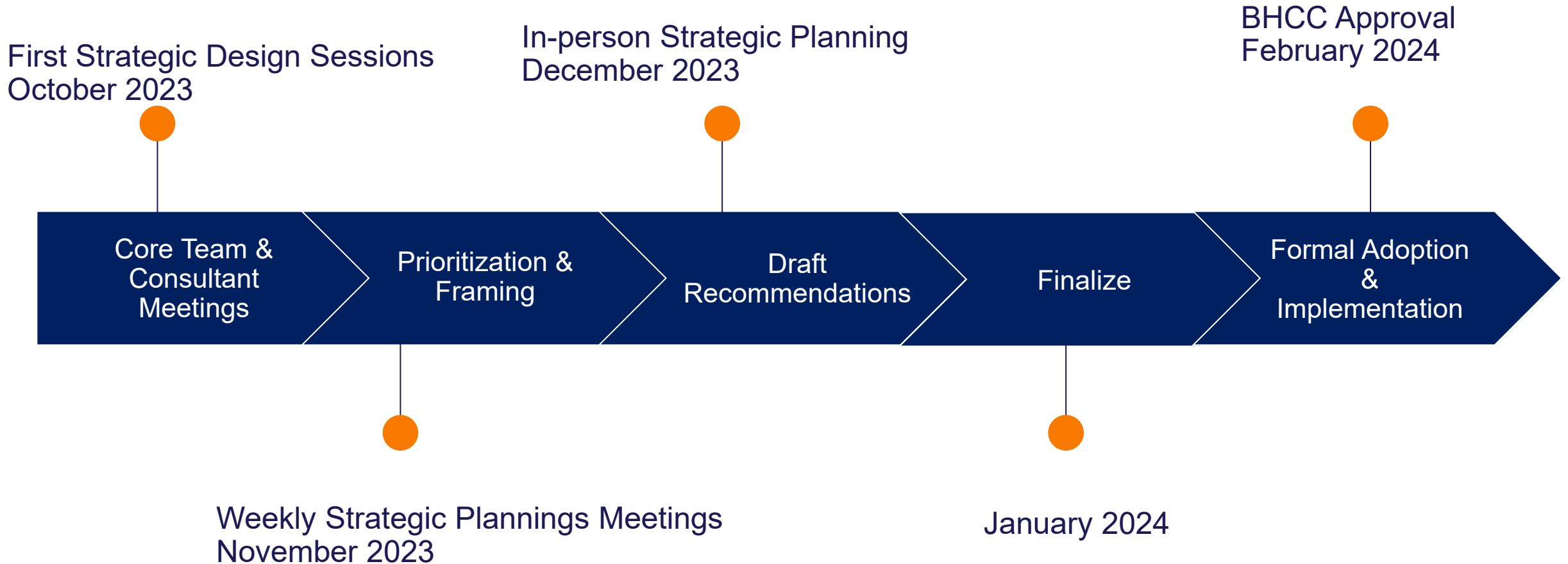
Mindworks Strategic Plan 2024-2046

- Final Draft is being completed for BHCC review and approval
- February 2024

Focus Areas

- Equitable Access
- Sustainable Workforce
- Integrated Care
- Robust Funding
- Enhanced Evaluation

Strategic Plan Updates



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Multi-Agency Treatment for Children (MATCH)

MATCH Legislation (House Bill 1013)

- The state MATCH team shall facilitate collaboration across state agencies to explore resources and solutions for complex and unmet treatment needs for children in this state and to provide for solutions, including both public and private providers, as necessary.
- The state agencies and entities represented on the state MATCH team shall coordinate with each other and take all reasonable steps necessary to provide for collaboration and coordination to facilitate the purpose of the state MATCH team.

MATCH Planning Committee Recommendations (May 2023)

VISION: Georgia's children and youth with complex behavioral health challenges, and their families, will receive the services and supports **when, where and how they need them**, with attention to cultural and linguistic needs:

- **Access to a pool of available funds** to enable the provision of treatment services in a timely manner for children and youth with complex treatment needs that are not met at the local level. 
- **Designated authority to make temporary exceptions** to identified state policies and regulations that create barriers to accessing the most appropriate treatment options that are not met at the local level.
- **Document state policies and regulations that are found to create barriers** to needed treatment options in order that required exceptions do not become the default solution in lieu of implementing systems change.
- Adequately invest in MATCH infrastructure (**staff and technology**). 
- Test MATCH structure and process using **pilot projects** prior to full roll-out. 
- Incorporate the **voices** of key state and local stakeholders into the design of MATCH.
- **Avoid** creating an alternate or additional bureaucracy.

MATCH Implementation

- **Access to a pool of available funds**

Interagency funds transfer from the Georgia Department of Human Services to DBHDD

- **Adequately invest in MATCH infrastructure (staff and technology)**

- Dedicated DBHDD MATCH staff
- DOAS statewide contract for cross-sector care coordination IT solution

- **Test MATCH structure and process using pilot projects**

(Additional info on the following slides)

MATCH Continuum of Care

Continuum of Care			
In-Home with Guardian Support	Out-of-Home, Reunification not an Option	Step-Down	Community (Long-Term)
Urgent Care (\$5.76M)		Transitional Home Pilot (\$2.93M)	BRIGHT Homes (DBHDD)
Emergency Department Pilot (\$300K)			
High-Fidelity Wraparound (DBHDD)			
Respite (DBHDD)			

- **Urgent Care** - To address gaps or system barriers. (e.g., intensive in-home, housing)
- **Emergency Department (ED) Pilot** - To embed connection coordinators (View Point Health) within the ED at Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta to reduce boarding and speed access to care.
- **Devereux Transitional Home** - To provide transitional support for males between the ages of 18 and 21 with a diagnosis of an intellectual disability with concurrent serious behavioral and psychiatric concerns and/or Autism Spectrum Disorder.

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Urgent Care (\$5.76M)	



To offer urgent supports for youth and families

Urgent Care

Intensive in-home, housing

- Model review
- Pilot implementation

MATCH Continuum of Care

Continuum of Care	
Step-Down	Community (Long-Term)
Transitional Home Pilot (\$2.93M) 	BRIGHT Homes (DBHDD) 

To address gaps between levels of care for transition age young adults


Devereux Transitional Home

To provide transitional support for males between the ages of 18 and 21 with a diagnosis of an intellectual disability with concurrent serious behavioral and psychiatric concerns and/or Autism Spectrum Disorder.

BRIGHT Homes

Provides specialized residential services for young adults who require structured support to achieve and enhance their recovery and wellness, increase self-sufficiency and independence, while maintaining community integration. (MATCH informed IDD funded intervention)

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Emergency Department Pilot (\$300K) 	

Intent: To embed connection coordinators from View Point Health within the ED at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta to reduce boarding and speed access to care.

MATCH Planning Committee Recommendations (May 2023)

Phase I

State-level MATCH Infrastructure

- Behavioral Health Coordinating Council ✓
- State MATCH Team ✓
- State MATCH Clinical Team ✓

Phase II

Pathway to Care

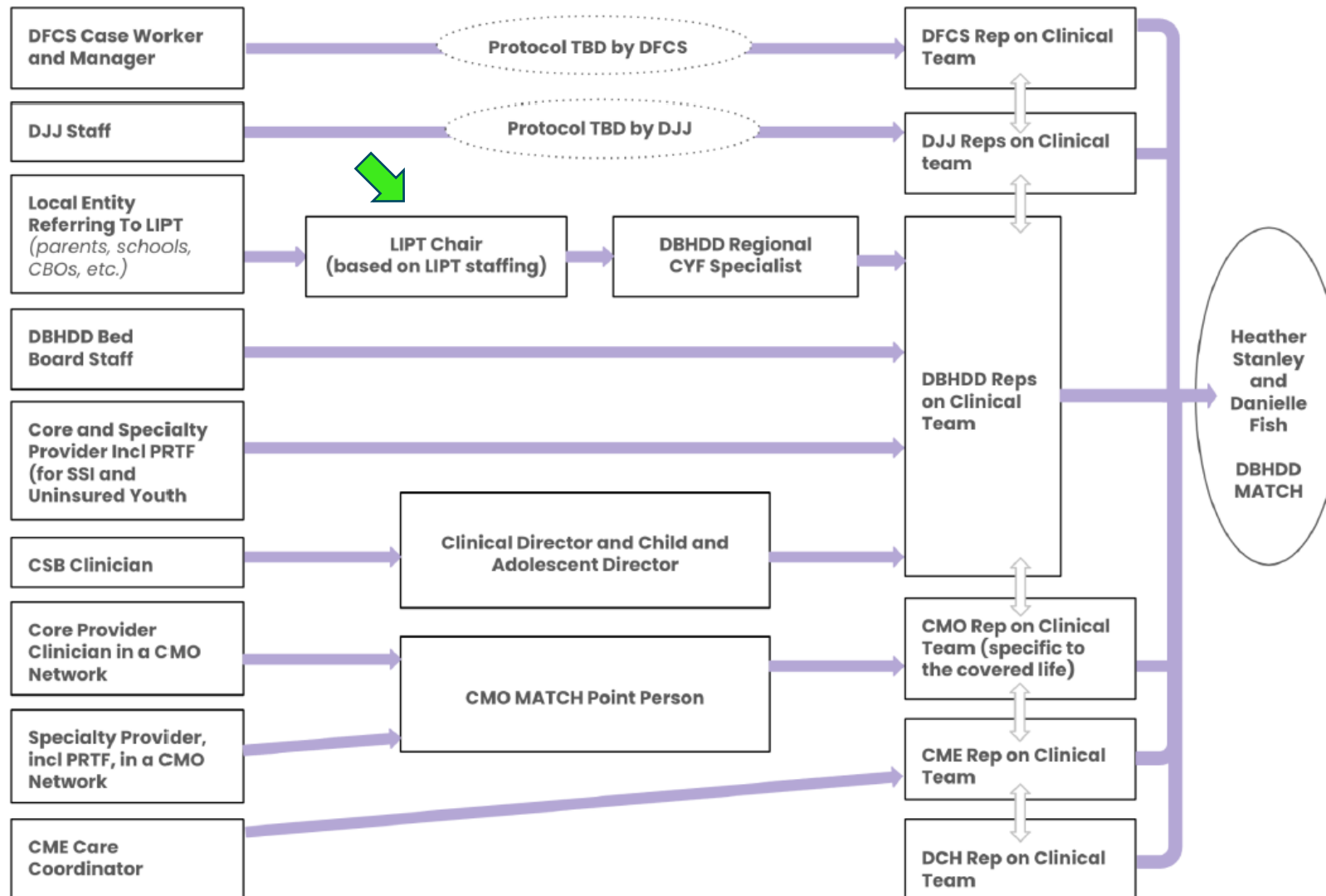
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Local Interagency Planning Teams (LIPTs)

Mandated members:

- Community mental health agency
- Division of Family & Children Services
- Department of Juvenile Justice
- Department of Public Health
- Local Education Agency
- Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency

MATCH No “Wrong Door” Referral Pathway



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Closing Comments

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May 9th, 2024

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