



Frew Strategic Initiatives

Health Home Pilots

UT Conference March 22, 2010



Scope of Texas Medicaid

- 50% of all newborns in Texas each year
- One out of 8 Texans
 - 4.1 million (SFY 2007)
 - 2.8 million average per month
- Origin of Medicaid:
 - The Great Society (Social Security Act, Title XIX 1965)
 - 40% of young men not suitable for the military draft

Scope of Texas Medicaid

- Cost: approximately 25% of State Budget 2006-2007 Biennium
 - FFY 2007 = \$21 Billion (all funds)
 - 29% on Children (EPSDT-eligibles)

Organization of Texas Medicaid

- “Once you’ve seen one state Medicaid program, you’ve seen one state Medicaid program”
 - Optional versus Mandatory Components:
 - Populations (e.g.,)
 - Pregnant Women
 - Disabled
 - Income Levels
 - Services
 - Multiple Care Delivery Models
 - Fee-For-Service
 - Primary Care Case Management
 - Health Maintenance Organization (STAR & STARPlus)
 - Integrated Care Management (abandoned)

EPSDT – THE GREAT EQUALIZER

- Early & Periodic Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Program (EPSDT)
 - All Medicaid beneficiaries under the age of 21 years eligible for non-Emergency Only Medicaid are entitled to all medically necessary services for which federal funds participation is available.

Frew v. Suehs

- Federal Class Action Lawsuit:
 - Plaintiffs: EPSDT-eligibles
 - Defendant: HHSC Commissioner *du jour*
 - Filed 1993
 - Consent Decree 1996
 - Motions to enforce 1998 & 2000
 - Corrective Action Plan approved July 2007
 - HB 15 80th Regular Legislative Session 2007
 - \$1.8B 2008-2009 Biennium

Frew v. Suehs – 3 Main Components

1. Provider rate increases
2. Specific corrective actions
3. Strategic initiatives (\$150M GR)
 - “Fundamental”
 - “Strategic”
 - Increase access
 - Increase number of providers

Frew Strategic Initiatives

- Home Health Pilot Goals:

- Access
- Quality
- Patient / Family Centeredness
- Coordinated Care
- Team approach to care
- Population approach to care
- Enhance collaboration among providers – especially rural areas

Home Health Pilot

- Up to 8 pilots across Texas
- Prefer ≥ 5000 Medicaid EPSDT-eligible beneficiaries in each pilot
- RFP process
- Goals:
 - Increase access to care for EPSDT-eligibles
 - Increase number of EPSDT-eligibles receiving medical + dental preventive care, and any needed service, including behavioral health
 - Cost effective, replicable and sustainable in achieving goals 1 & 2

Home Health Pilot

- RFP Process
 - Post “Early 2010”
 - HHSC Business Opportunity website
 - Status?
- Who can apply:
 - Solo + group physicians
 - Groups of practices
 - FQHCs
 - RHCs