Frew Strategic Initiatives

Health Home Pilots
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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