MPA LTSS Subcommittee Meeting 12/15/23

The three workgroup leaders presented recommendations produced by their teams; full, detailed recommendations will be shared in the Final Recommendations presented to the Advisory Committee. High-level recommendations are below:

Long Term Care Workgroup

- Increase staffing of certified nurses aids, LCPN, RS. Make sure salaries are competitive
- Virtual observation in testing
- Coordinate nursing homes to coordinate testing and personnel
- Provide documents in non-English language
- Provide support (childcare, meals) to nurses and aids during training
- Provide more training
- Provide information about networking across the workforce
- Increase funding for long term care providers, including MONET reimbursement rates
- Increase ombudsmen staff
- Tie in value based reimbursement
- Increase mental health services

Navigating LTSS Workgroup

- Continue to develop a person-centered intake and referral system to assist in navigating the long term services and supports system (create a navigation system)
- Invest in consumer-friendly technology to allow data sharing

In Home Services Workgroup

- Conduct feasibility study on HCBS and develop business plans for prototype projects
- Encourage retention of physicians and other health professionals in health care labor force
- Systemic or procedural changes that impact HCBS processing
- Established online managed platform for in home service providers, stakeholders, and public to improve referral, monitoring, education, marketing, and public awareness
- Explore Assistive Technology for additional Waivers
- Therapies to align with person-centered care and patient choice
- HCBS level of care gap and concerns

Discussion occurred about high level of overlap between recommendations from all the workgroups, which is encouraging and highlights importance of whole person health.

Chairs will combine recommendations and eliminate overlaps to provide to Advisory Committee.

Meetings will pause until after townhalls.