

## **EOHHS Presentation: OHIC Social and Human Service Programs Review Advisory Council**

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# **EOHHS Vision, Mission, and Core Values**



## **Vision and Mission**

OUR VISION • Resilient, equitable, and just communities nurturing the health, safety, wellbeing, and independence of all Rhode Islanders.

OUR MISSIOI

• To foster and strengthen a community-driven, equitable, comprehensive, responsive, and high-quality health and human services system in Rhode Island.

## **Core Values and guiding principles**

#### **VOICE**



#### **Consumer, Provider, and Community Voice**

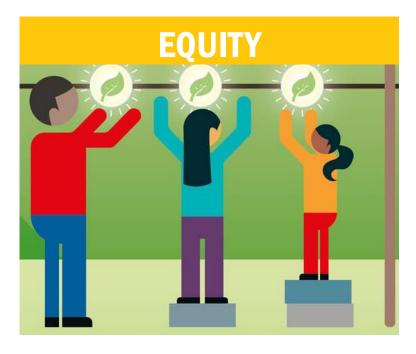
- Ensure that the voices of our communities are heard and respected without assuming we know what is best.
- Intentionally involve community members in programs and policies from the onset and purposefully ask "what is needed?" throughout the process.
- Create a new balance of power by committing to transparency, accountability, and partnerships.

#### **CHOICE**



#### **Responsive to the Uniqueness of Every Individual**

- The needs and aspirations of individuals, families, and community are heard, valued, and respected.
- The whole person, the family unit, and the community in which they live are recognized.
- Policies and systems have options that allow people to exercise choice and make healthy decisions.



#### **Achieving Equity for All**

- Ensuring that all Rhode Islanders have the resources and opportunity to achieve their full potential.
- Meeting the needs of all people regardless of gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, race/ethnicity, age, and disability status.
- Asking "what role, if any, is race, racial discrimination, and social injustice playing in our decision making?"

## **Health and Human Service Priorities**

#### **PRIORITY 1:**

Focus on the root causes and the socioeconomic and environmental determinants of health that ensure individuals can achieve their full potential.

#### **PRIORITY 2:**

Promote continuums of care that deliver efficient, effective, and equitable services across the life course.

#### **PRIORITY 3:**

Address addiction, improve the behavioral health system, and combat stigma, bias, and discrimination.

#### **PRIORITY 4:**

Develop and support a robust and diverse health and human services workforce to meet the needs of every Rhode Islander.

#### **PRIORITY 5:**

Modernize, integrate, and transform health information technology and data systems to support value-based systems of care.

## **EOHHS FY23 Budget Implementation Projects**



## **Key EOHHS FY23 Budget Implementation Projects**

- Implementation of FY23 Rate Increases:
  - Inpatient and outpatient hospital rate increases of 5%
  - Labor and delivery rate increase of 20%
  - Nursing facility rate increase of 3% plus additional money to support minimum staffing requirements
  - Home health agency rate increase to support \$15/hr minimum wage
  - Independent provider model: Invested \$265,574 (all funds) to increase rates
  - Personal choice rate increase: Invested \$12.5 million (all funds) to increase the minimum wage that self-directed consumers are required to pay their direct care staff from \$11.50 to \$15 an hour, and the maximum allowable wage from \$15 to \$21 an hour

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- Implementation of FY23 Rate Increases:
  - Home delivered meal rate increases (including a now-annual rate increase cased on the CPI-U for New England)
  - Pediatric primary care rate increase to align with Medicare rates
  - Early intervention rate increase
  - Children's therapeutic and respite services rate increase: Invested \$20.2 million (all funds) to increase rates for services for children with special health care needs
  - Adult dental rate increase to match Massachusetts level

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- Behavioral Health Projects
  - Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics
    - Implementation of the \$30 million Infrastructure Grant Program 10 CCBHC
      Sites and 20 Designated Collaborating Organization sites
    - CCBHC Rate Development and State Plan Amendment Creation
  - Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility Billing Preparation
  - LTC Rebalancing Funds

## **Key EOHHS FY23 HCBS Projects**

- Workforce Transformation:
  - Hiring and Retention Incentives
  - Tuition Waiver Equity Initiative
  - Career Awareness & Outreach
  - Advanced Certification for Direct Care Workers

- Children's Behavioral Health Implementation
  - Mobile Response & Stabilization Services (Mobile Crisis)
  - Expansion of the Children/Youth Service Array beyond DCYF
  - Expansion of Children/Youth CareCoordination
  - Support for First Connections Family Home Visiting

## **Key EOHHS FY23 HCBS Projects**

- Oral Health:
  - Public Health Dental Hygienist
    Enhancement
  - Oral Health Home Health Pilot
- Housing-Related Projects
  - Medical Respite Pilot
  - Home Stabilization Services Expansion

- Long Term Services and Supports
  - Assisted Living Expansion Grants
  - Conflict-Free Case Management Services
  - Person-Centered Option Counseling Network Expansion
  - LTSS Information Technology
    Modernization

## **Additional EOHHS Funding Responsibilities**

- Overseeing the implementation/procurement of \$20 million in FY23 Opioid Settlement dollars and \$4.5 million in Opioid Stewardship Dollars
- Overseeing the planning for the passage of approximately \$10 million in FY24 Opioid Settlement dollars and \$4.5 million in FY24 Opioid Stewardship Dollars

# EOHHS FY24 Proposed Budget Rate Increases and Next Steps



## **EOHHS Proposed FY24 Budget Rate Increases**

- CCBHC Rate Creation
- Cedar Family Centers Rate Increase (as the only Medicaid children's service not to receive a rate increase in the FY23 budget cycle)

## **Looking Forward**

- Pending budget approval, EOHHS will be carrying out the following in FY24:
  - Implementing the newly-created CCBHC rate
  - Reviewing OHIC Rate Review Reports for SFY25 budget consideration

## **Q&A/Discussion**

