electronic Long-Term Services & Supports (eLTSS) Initiative

Progress Update for HITSC

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Agenda

• Background & Scope Recap
• eLTSS Initiative Roadmap
• Stakeholder Engagement
• Use Case Development Approach & Progress
• Next Steps
• Questions for HITSC
eLTSS Background: RECAP

- Launched as an S&I Initiative in November 2014 in partnership with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
- Driven by the requirements of the CMS Testing Experience and Functional Tools (TEFT) in Medicaid community-based long term services & supports (LTSS) Planning and Demonstration Grant Program
  - Introduced in Affordable Care Act (ACA) Section 2701
  - March 2014: CMS awarded Demonstration Grants to 9 states: AZ, CO, CT, GA, KY, LA, MD, MN, NH

Visit Testing Experience and Functional Tools (TEFT) webpage at Medicaid.gov
Identify, evaluate and harmonize standards needed for the creation, exchange and re-use of:

- Key domains and associated data elements of Community Based-Long Term Services and Support (CB-LTSS) person-centered planning, assessment and services; and

- Accessible person-centered service plans that are interoperable and used by providers, beneficiaries, accountable entities and payers.

The standard(s) identified will support the creation of a person-centered electronic LTSS plan, one that supports the person, makes him or her central to the process, and recognizes the person as the expert on goals and needs.*

* Source: Guidance to HHS Agencies for Implementing Principles of Section 2402(a) of the Affordable Care Act: Standards for Person-Centered Planning and Self-Direction in Home and Community-Based Services Programs
Standards identified for the eLTSS plan will support interoperable exchange with various information systems to include:

1. Community-based Information Systems
2. Clinical Information Systems (e.g. EHRs)
3. State Medicaid Systems and/or other Payer Systems
4. Health Information Exchange Systems
5. Personal Health Record Systems (PHRs)/ Digital Health Devices
6. Other Information Systems (e.g. legal, justice, education, etc.)

Content or data elements of the eLTSS plan will be specific to the types of services rendered and information collected for CB-LTSS. Information collected may contain relevant clinical data needed to support the continuum of beneficiary care, support and services.
eLTSS
S&I Phases Roadmap

Pre-Planning
- Call for Participation
- Conduct Environmental Scan
- Success Criteria
- Stakeholder Engagement

Phase 1: Pre-Discovery
- Launch initiative
- Review and Finalize Charter
- Review initial Candidate Standards

Phase 2: Use Case Development & Functional Requirements
- Develop, review, and finalize the Use Case and Functional Requirements

Phase 3: Standards & Harmonization
- Finalize Candidate Standards
- Standards Gap Analysis
- Technical & Standards Design
- Develop Requirements Traceability Matrix
- Develop Implementation Guide

Phase 4: Pilots & Testing
- Pilot site readiness
- Implementation of solution
- Test User Stories and Scenarios
- Monitor Progress & Outcomes
- Utilize Requirements Traceability Matrix

Phase 4: Evaluation
- Evaluate outcomes against Success Metrics and Criteria
- Update Implementation Guidance

Timelines for Consideration: Two Pilot Phases, SDO Ballot Cycles

Initiative Kick Off: 11/06/14

On-Track
## Participant Organizations To-Date

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<td>Care at Hand, C Wasel Associates, PeerPlace Networks, Ibeza, CloudPWR, Harmony, Business Trategix Inc., IBM</td>
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Why is an eLTSS plan valuable to you?

• For a **beneficiary** (or individual receiving services)...
  – Access to Information as they want to see it, when they want to see it
  – Ability to control, authorize and monitory services received
  – Promotes unnecessary institutional care (e.g. ED visit, Nursing Home stay)
  – Enables real-time decision making
  – Enables and fosters Independent Living: *My life, My way*
  – Enhances socialization and social skills development

• For a **caregiver** (or family member not directly providing paid services)...
  – Convenience
  – Service gap mitigation (ability to identify and act upon gaps in service and care)
Use Case Development Approach: Value Framing

Questions

Why is an eLTSS plan valuable to you?

• For a **Provider** (community-based and institutional)...
  – Increases coordination of services/ reduces duplication
  – Promotes accuracy of plan information and ease of sharing
  – Better control of information shared
  – Reduces information capture burden (one plan to review and manage with beneficiary and payer)

• For a **Payer and Accountable Entity**
  – Better coordination of services delivered
  – Improves efficiencies in service operations
  – Improves accuracy of information collected
  – Reduces risk to beneficiary
  – Allows oversight and promotes quality of services
  – Avoids caregivers and case manager duplicating services provided to beneficiary
Value Framing Questions: What services do you utilize most?

- Change of Status Alerts (to include ADT alerts)
- Transportation
- Educational/ Technical Support
- Social Support/ Companionship (for beneficiary)
- Informal Support for Caregiver/Family Members
- Medication Management
- Nutrition Consultation
- Adult Day Services
- Case Management
- Meal/Food Delivery and Preparation
- Personal Care
Next Steps

• Gather Functional and Technical Specifications for eLTSS Use Case
  – Identify and finalize valuable and applicable user scenarios
  – Identify key domains and associated data elements; inputs include:
    • CMS CARE Data Elements
      1. 2014 IMPACT Act Implementation
      2. TEFT Care Functional Assessment
    • CMS Balancing Incentive Program: No Wrong Door System Requirements
    • IOM Recommendations for Social & Behavioral Domains and Measures for EHRs
    • NQF HCBS Quality Measures
    • ACL Aging and Disability Resource Center Program: No Wrong Door System Requirements

• Target May 2015 for Consensus Voting on eLTSS Use Case
eLTSS Plan
Future Sharing Options

Payer & Other Accountable Systems
Extract, Transform, & Load eLTSS Plan Data

Beneficiary & Caregiver

PHR App

Other IT System
Generates, updates and displays eLTSS Plan; stores/transmits data

Service Team
COMMUNITY-BASED SETTING

Clinical IT System
Updates and displays eLTSS Plan; stores/submits data

Care Team
INSTITUTIONAL SETTING

Move from Patient-Centered to Person-Centered Planning and Information Exchange
eLTSS Plan: Questions for HITSC

• What candidate standards exist that lend to this type of work?

• What SDOs should we consider engaging with?

• Do you have guidance for engaging with digital and mobile health innovators?

• What are we missing?
Back-Up
Standardization Efforts to Consider

**S&I Framework Initiatives:**
- LCC
- Data Provenance
- Data Segmentation for Privacy
- BlueButton Plus
- Structured Data Capture (SDC)
- Data Access Framework
- esMD
- Direct Project

**HL7 Standards**
- C-CDA Release 2.0
- FHIR
- PHR System Functional Model Release 1.0
- ...etc.

**CMS Standards & Guidance**
- OASIS Dataset
- MDS
- CARE Item Set
- PACE Assessment and Care Planning Tools
- Balancing Incentive Program
- HCBS Taxonomy

**National Information Exchange Model (NIEM) Standards**
- Health Domain
- Human Services Domain

**National Quality Forum**
- HCBS Quality Measurement Project

**Standard Terminologies & Taxonomies**
- SNOMED CT
- LOINC
- HITSP Nursing Terminology Overlap Resolution

**Person-Centered Planning Tools**
- PATH
- Making Action Plans (MAP)
- Essential Lifestyle
- PACER
- Wraparound Service

**Other HHS Guidance**
- IOM Social and Behavioral Domains and Measures for EHRs
- Health IT Strategic Plan
- Interoperability Roadmap
eLTSS Initiative: Project Team Leads

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eLTSS All Hands Meeting

• All Hands Meetings held Thursdays from **12:30 to 1:30pm Eastern**

• Meeting information can be found on the wiki: [http://wiki.siframework.org/electronic+Long-Term+Services+and+Supports+%28eLTSS%29](http://wiki.siframework.org/electronic+Long-Term+Services+and+Supports+%28eLTSS%29)

**REMINDER**
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What is LTSS & Person-Centered Planning?

**Long-Term Services & Supports (LTSS)**

- Broad array of assistance needed by, and provided to, individuals with physical, cognitive, and/or mental impairments who never acquired, or have lost, the ability to function independently. Services include:
  - ADLs and Instrumental ADLs; Adult Day Care; Care Management; Social Services; Education & Training; Transportation;

**Person-Centered Planning (PCP)**

- Process directed by the person with LTSS needs. The PCP approach identifies the person’s strengths, goals, preferences, needs (medical and LTSS), and desired outcomes

- Person’s goals and preferences in areas such as recreation, transportation, friendships, therapies, home, employment, family relationships, and treatments are part of a written plan that is consistent with the person’s needs and desires.