NEVADA’S COMMUNITY INTEGRATION PLAN - ADSD AND DHHS

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OVERVIEW OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND OLMSTEAD DECISION
In 1990, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was enacted into law to provide “a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities.”

The ADA—along with the 1988 Amendments to the Fair Housing Act—expanded key civil rights protections to people with disabilities.

Title II of the ADA applies to states, including local governments.
EXCERPT FROM ADA SECTION 2 FINDINGS AND PURPOSES

PURPOSES

“...individuals with disabilities are a discrete and insular minority ... subjected to a history of purposeful unequal treatment, and relegated to a position of political powerlessness in our society ... resulting from stereotypic assumptions not truly indicative of the individual ability of such individuals to participate in, and contribute to, society; ... the Nation’s proper goals regarding individuals with disabilities are to assure equality of opportunity, full participation, independent living, and economic self-sufficiency...”
ADSD Strategic Plan

Two Day Policy Academy in December 2016

Extensive Data Collection using a National Tool to Assess Nevada’s System

Planning Group comprised of Regional Behavioral Health Coordinators, State Agencies within DHHS, and Community Partners and Advocates Convened

The planning group met in October 2017 to review system goals and prioritize key categories for planning for both adults and children
The mission of the DHHS Olmstead Framework is to ensure that Nevadans have the opportunity to achieve optimal quality of life in the community of their choice.

The vision is that Nevadans, regardless of age or ability will enjoy a meaningful life led with dignity and self-determination.
KEY STAKEHOLDERS WHEN DEVELOPING A SYSTEM

- People with disabilities and their families
- Advocates who work with and on behalf of people with disabilities
- Service providers
- State Medicaid agencies
- Additional state agencies that play a role in overseeing the system for serving people with disabilities
Today’s *Olmstead* Advocacy Agenda

• Access to services and supports that reduce the risk of segregation and level the playing field

• Ensuring meaningful community integration

• Demonstrating that this can be achieved without fundamental alterations or an undue financial burden
Premised on the need for integration of services

This means a seamless, person/family-centered delivery system beginning with assessment, care coordination, treatment/supports and accountability

The goals in ADSD’s plan are predicated on this design
The mission of this plan is to ensure that Nevadans have the opportunity to achieve optimal quality of life in the community of their choice.
For use throughout DHHS
Builds upon previously adopted strategic plans in Nevada
Inclusive rather than focusing on exclusive subpopulations
Purpose

- Assumes that communities throughout the state benefit from the people that reside in the community, offering diversity and a richness of experience.
- Provides innovative solutions to solve gaps that are a result of the current state structure.
- No Wrong Door approach streamlining access to information, services and supports for people of all ages, incomes and abilities.
GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Independence
• People should have options and the ability to select the manner in which they live

Access
• People's needs are identified and met quickly

Dignity
• People are viewed and respected as human beings

Integration
• People can live, work, and play as part of their community

Quality
• Services and supports achieve desired outcomes

Sustainability
• Services and supports can be delivered over the long term so individuals can be self-sufficient
Fund and implement an integrated, high-quality, person-centered service delivery system
Facilitate timely, responsive services to achieve person-directed goals
Increase opportunities and supports that promote social connection and enhance self-determination and personal dignity.
Expand systems and supports to ensure that older adults and persons with disabilities have the opportunity to achieve optimal quality of life in the community of their choice.
Establish and report on Nevada’s progress to implement an integrated, high quality, person-centered service delivery culture across systems throughout the state with measurable indicators and outcomes that address the unmet need for services.

Use data to drive quality improvement and decision making regarding resource allocation and policy within the state to meet the needs of Nevadans while upholding guiding principles and ensuring accountability for the implementation of the plan.
RESULT

MEANINGFUL COMMUNITY INTEGRATION AND QUALITY OF LIFE
1. Assertive Community Treatment Services;
2. Crisis services;
3. Peer-delivered services;
4. Supported housing;
5. Supported employment services;
6. Habilitation services;
7. SMHA discharges and linkages to services;
8. Acute psychiatric care discharges and linkages to services;
9. Residential Treatment Facility discharges;
10. Emergency department services;
11. Criminal Justice diversion;
12. Quality and performance improvement; and
13. Data reporting.*

*Mandatory Areas for Measuring and Monitoring Compliance
PRIORITIZED KEY CATEGORIES FOR PLANNING

**Adults**
- Criminal Justice diversion
- Supported housing
- Assertive Community Treatment Services
- Access to providers for crisis and community-based treatment

**Children**
- Juvenile Justice diversion
- Residential Treatment Facility Treatment Capacity, discharges and linkages to services
- Transitional Age Youth Services (children to adult)
- Access to services: crisis services, PHP, IOP, Day Treatment, wraparound, Respite, Family Peer Support, and Habilitation Services
**State Plan Goals:**

- **System Goal 1:** Ensure there is a continuum of high quality recovery support and care to achieve and maintain stability.
- **System Goal 2:** Ensure individuals have access to appropriate, timely services in the most integrated setting based on a self-determination plan.
- **System Goal 3:** Ensure a system that prevents inappropriate incarceration, hospitalization, institutionalization, or placement.

- Development of an Adult and Children’s Implementation Plan.
STRATEGIES

- Build local capacity across the regions, and provide opportunities for collaboration
- Implement evidence based best practices for behavioral health
- Provide linkages, recovery support, and coordinated care
- Assure a comprehensive system of service provision through access to technical assistance and information for local agencies/providers (i.e., funding peer-to-peer training and support)
- Support the voucher programs and evaluate if the shelter plus care vouchers have a place within the state
STRATEGIES

- Support patients and their families so that patients are able to navigate through the system
- Promote culturally and linguistically appropriate services to facilitate participation
- Provide health literacy and ensure consumers know about their plan options
- Identify a key point person who will work with the community providers to help navigate the State