

OHIO MEDICAID TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND POLICY PROGRAM (MEDTAPP)

Healthcare Workforce Development Initiative

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MEDTAPP BACKGROUND

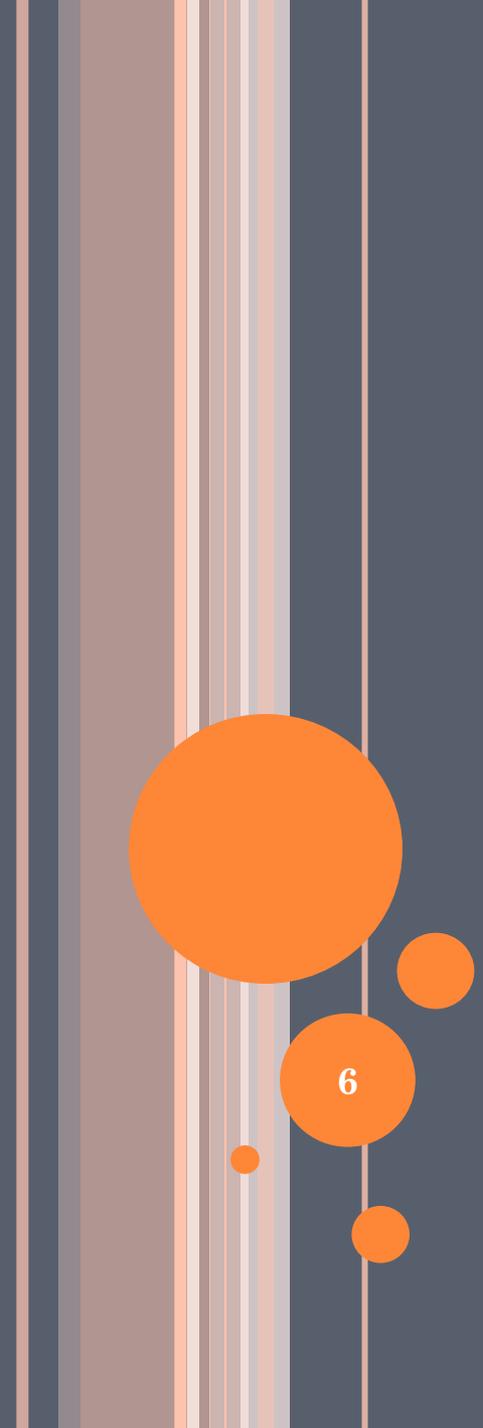
- MEDTAPP-university/Medicaid research partnership combining nonfederal and federal funds to support efficient and effective administration of the Medicaid Program
- As Ohio Medicaid requests assistance from Ohio's colleges and universities to achieve its goals and priorities, university faculty and staff may assist Medicaid, thereby qualifying for MEDTAPP funding
- Most commonly, activities involve fulfillment of a federal mandate – quality improvement, research, and technical assistance in support of Medicaid Administration
- University/Medicaid partnerships may involve university programs already in progress

MEDTAPP BACKGROUND

- Program funding is 50% Federal Financial Participation (FFP) and 50% qualified non-federal funds
- Typical qualified non-federal funds include university faculty and facility support
- State general revenue funds, private contributions, and bona fide donations have also been used as non-federal funding sources

MEDTAPP PRIORITIES

- Support Ohio Medicaid Quality Strategy
- Ohio Medicaid Director John McCarthy recently established MEDTAPP's program focus areas:
 - Workforce Development
 - Quality Improvement Initiatives; and
 - Rapid Technical/Clinical Consultation



MEDTAPP WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

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GOAL

- Partner with Ohio colleges and universities to recruit, train, and retain health care practitioners with skills and competencies to serve Ohio Medicaid beneficiaries
- Focus on emerging healthcare models and evidence-based practices, such as health homes, integrated care team approaches for patient-centered care, and integrated behavioral and physical health service delivery
- Immediate and long term ROI for various phases of healthcare workforce pipeline

INITIAL FOCUS AREA

- Known Medicaid professional shortage areas
 - Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
 - Geriatric Psychiatry
 - Pediatrics
 - Family Practice
 - Advanced Practice Nursing, and
 - Dentistry
- Funding may also be awarded to applicants proposing workforce development strategies in areas not listed above

ALIGNMENT

- Partner with academic and community experts to:
 - Align and expand established, successful Ohio workforce development programs
 - Encourage new academic and community workforce development partnerships to expand the state's capacity to recruit, train, and retain the healthcare workforce

DESIGN

- Medical colleges and universities propose interdisciplinary and/or interuniversity workforce development and community training/placement partnership strategies fostering integrated patient-centered care
 - Ongoing programs with expanded focus; or
 - New programs
- Collaboration with other successful academic programs across the country is encouraged

DESIGN

- MEDTAPP Funds will support curriculum development, practicum placements, and qualified faculty to train scholars to serve Medicaid-eligible individuals
- Funding may be used to:
 - Pay program direct costs (e.g., salaries, stipends or benefits for Principal Investigators, faculty, and MEDTAPP funded scholars)
 - Provide incentives to retain scholars serving Ohio's Medicaid populations
 - Support curriculum development, including continuing education modules; and/or
 - Support highly qualified faculty, residents/fellows, and scholars to provide supervision and/or quality improvement training*

*Any application proposing to use funding for healthcare practitioner placement must contain mandatory service commitments

PHASE I IMPLEMENTATION

- Through an RFP process, MEDTAPP FFP will be provided to selected programs that:
 - Have expected program components already in place
 - Have available qualified non-federal match
 - Are ready to implement proposed healthcare workforce development expansion strategies
- Phase I is expected to start January 1, 2012
- Phase I programs will demonstrate early results by June 30, 2012
 - funding will also support ongoing Phase I program development (into SFY 2013) to increase the number of professionals serving Medicaid beneficiaries and implementing emerging healthcare models

PHASE II IMPLEMENTATION - PLANNING PHASE

- Through an RFP process, MEDTAPP FFP may be provided to selected programs to support planning activities
- These programs may need further development, such as:
 - Securing identified community resources for funding or practicum placement
 - Forming or enhancing interdisciplinary and/or interuniversity curriculum, practicum and placement strategies for integrated care models
 - Support from Ohio Medicaid and the Ohio Colleges of Medicine Government Resource Center (GRC) to build and refine comprehensive workforce development partnerships
- Planning phase is expected to start January 1, 2012

PHASE II IMPLEMENTATION –KICK OFF

- Upon completion of the planning phase, applicants will be eligible to apply for MEDTAPP Workforce Development Initiative Phase II funding
- Phase II implementation is expected to start July 1, 2012

STATE AGENCY PARTNERS

- **Ohio Department of Mental Health**
- **Ohio Board of Regents**
- **Ohio Department of Health**

FUNDING

- Up to \$7 million in FFP will be available in SFY 12
 - Similar funding amounts are expected in subsequent program years
- Applicants must provide the nonfederal matching funds. Funding sources may include:
 - Existing or new qualified non-federal funds (e.g., state/local GRF)
 - Existing or new community support (e.g., foundations, bona fide donations)
 - Existing or new faculty and facility support

MATCHING SOURCE EXAMPLES

- Universities may expand focus of workforce development activities currently funded with the following nonfederal funding sources*:
 - Ohio Department of Mental Health Residency in Training funds
 - Ohio Board of Regents Choose Ohio First Scholarship funds
 - Ohio Board of Regents funds provided to medical colleges in the following areas: Geriatrics, Area Health Education Centers, Family Medicine, Primary Care, Clinical Teaching Subsidy, Tuition Subsidy
 - Local levy funds
 - Private foundation funds

* These are examples—there are many other potential nonfederal funding sources not listed here

NEXT STEPS

Tentative Timeline	Milestones
Sep 13, 2011	COM Council and Univ. Representatives Review and Comment
Oct 4, 7, 8, 2011	Ohio Medicaid and GRC host Request for Information meetings; COMs and universities present programs and interests
Oct 28, 2011	RFP Release
Dec 9, 2011	Proposals Due
Dec 9-23, 2011	Proposal Review and Selection
Jan 1, 2012	Program Kick Off – Phase I Implementation, Phase II Planning Begins
Jul 1, 2012	Phase II Implementation Begins

QUESTIONS?

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DISCUSSION

- As Ohio Medicaid drafts the RFP, what should be considered related to the following:
 - Attracting students interested in serving Ohio Medicaid clients
 - Curriculum development and training in emerging healthcare models to serve Ohio Medicaid clientele
 - Students/residents/fellows placement in community settings
 - Funding sources
 - Partnerships across universities and/or programs
 - Retaining students/residents/fellows to serve Ohio Medicaid clientele
- What are the potential benefits and limitations of this approach?
- Any additional recommendations or thoughts?