



Coordinated System of Care

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Coordinated System of Care Model

An initiative of Governor Jindal being led by the Executives of these state agencies:

- Office of Juvenile Justice
- Department of Social Services
- Department of Health and Hospitals
- Department of Education



Coordinated System of Care Model

The coordinated systems of care (CSOC) is an evidence-based model that is part of a national movement to develop family driven and youth guided care, keep children at home, in school, and out of the child welfare and juvenile justice system.



Coordinated System of Care Model

- An important CSoC goal is the reduction of highly restrictive out of home placements through the creation and maintenance of coordinated and effective community based services.
- CSoCs also create partnerships with public and private providers of services that target children, youth and their families in a multi-agency, multi-disciplinary system of services.



Coordinated System of Care Model

A system of care

- incorporates a broad, flexible array of effective services and supports for a defined population
- is organized into a coordinated network
- integrates care planning and management across multiple levels
- is culturally and linguistically competent
- builds meaningful partnerships with families and youth at service delivery, management, and policy levels
- has supportive policy and management infrastructure.

Characteristics of Systems of Care as Systems Reform Initiatives

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Fragmented service delivery	→	Coordinated service delivery
Categorical programs/funding	→	Blended resources
Limited services	→	Comprehensive service array
Reactive, crisis-oriented	→	Focus on prevention/early intervention
Focus on “deep end,” restrictive	→	Least restrictive settings
Children/youth out-of-home	→	Children/youth within families
Centralized authority	→	Community-based ownership
Foster “dependency”	→	Build on strengths and resiliency



Louisiana's Need for a Coordinated System of Care

- Left untreated, mental health disorders in children and adolescents lead to higher rates of suicide, violence, school dropout, family dysfunction, juvenile incarcerations, alcohol and other drug use and unintentional injuries.
- Today, approximately 50,000 children and families interface with the child welfare or juvenile justice system in Louisiana.
- Over 8,400 of these children are in foster care and over 5,200 of these are within the juvenile justice system.



Louisiana's Need for a Coordinated System of Care

Recent estimates indicate the following percentages of Louisiana youth needing behavioral health treatment:

- 40% of those placed in OCS foster homes
- 70% of those in OJJ out of home placements
- 20% of children and parents served in their home by OCS
- 50% of children and parents served in their home by OJJ



Louisiana's Need for a Coordinated System of Care

- Approximately 2,200 children receiving special education services by DOE have behavior health issues.
- Approximately 7,500 youth received Medicaid mental health services.
- 2,899 adolescents received treatment for addictive disorders.
- 8,940 children were served in OMH clinics



Louisiana's current system

- The needs of these children and families are served through a fragmented service delivery model that is not well coordinated and is often times difficult to navigate.
- State Departments are not currently pooling resources and leveraging the 'smartest' financing to provide a coordinated system of behavioral health services.



Louisiana's current system

Louisiana's children with the highest level of need are often detained in secure or residential settings, which are proven the highest cost services with the poorest outcomes.

National Evidence on Coordinated Systems of Care

CSoC efforts have been shown to address:

- Lack of home and community-based services and supports
- Patterns of utilization – racial/ethnic disparity and disproportionality
- High cost
- Administrative inefficiencies
- Poor outcomes
- Rigid financing structures
- Deficit-based/medical models, limited types of interventions



Proposed System of Care

The Louisiana Department of Social Services, Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Juvenile Justice and Department of Education are working in collaboration to develop a Coordinated System of Care that will offer an integrated approach to providing services for at-risk children and youth served within the child welfare and juvenile justice populations.



Proposed System of Care

This proposed system must

- Develop and finance services and supports for at risk children and youth to keep them in their families and schools, out of detention and achieve optimal health and functioning in community settings.
- Comprehensively provide for the behavioral health needs of at risk children and youth and their caretakers by reinvesting current funds in the system into a more organized system of care.



Proposed System of Care

Values and Principles:

- Family-driven and youth-guided
- Home and community based
- Strength-based and individualized
- Culturally and linguistically competent
- Integrated across systems
- Connected to natural helping networks
- Data-driven, outcomes oriented

Proposed System of Care

Population of Focus:

Louisiana's CSoC will initially serve children and youth that have significant behavioral health challenges or co-occurring disorders that are in or at imminent risk of out of home placement defined as

- Detention
- Secure Care facilities
- Psychiatric hospitals
- Residential treatment facilities
- Development disabilities facilities
- Addiction facilities
- Alternative schools
- Homeless as identified by DOE
- Foster care



Proposed System of Care

Goals of the System of Care include:

- Reduction in the number of targeted children and youth in detention and residential settings
- Reduction of the state's cost of providing services by leveraging Medicaid and other funding sources
- Improving the overall outcomes of these children and their caretakers.



Development of Louisiana's Coordinated System of Care

The planning process is designed to ensure transparency and communication between state departments and key stakeholders which include providers, legislators, community based organizations, advocacy organizations and judicial partners.



Development of Louisiana's Coordinated System of Care

Key Elements of the planning infrastructure include the following:

- Executive leadership from Governor's office, DSS, DHH, OJJ and DOE
- Stakeholder participation at all levels
- National experts and consultants on program and financing
- Transparency
- Aggressive timeline



Development of Louisiana's Coordinated System of Care

Projected 2010 Timeline

- January– Definition of target population, projected outcomes and planning structure
- February -- Concept paper publicly released
- May – Proposed system design finalized
- July – SoC infrastructure needs identified
- August – Current system analysis completed; financing strategy finalized
- October – Draft waiver, state plan amendments and other applications publicly released for review and comment

Development of Louisiana's Coordinated System of Care

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- November -- Submission of Medicaid Waiver Documents to the Center for Medicaid Services
- December 2010 -- Development of detailed implementation plan including policies and procedures, reimbursement rates, enrollment of providers, promulgation of rules, training and capacity building and other implementation needs



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Questions?

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