DHHS HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES STAKEHOLDER MEETING AGENDA

October 7, 2024 4:00 PM Central Time

Zoom: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81170221250?pwd=ZXFrUHc0VFhCUDBrWHpnVmdnakcrUT09

1) Division of Behavioral Health

- a) A new Behavioral Health Teammate will join our calls in the future, Welcome to Michelle!
- b) 988/911 Coordination
- c) Recovery Month Celebration

2) Division of Child and Family Services

- a) Bridge to Independence-
 - (1) LB 50 allows for some Probation youth to be eligible for B2I at the age of 19 as of Jan 2024
 - (2) CFS is in the process of implementing a new assessment model SAFE(Safety Assessment Family Evaluation)
 - (3) Learning and Development Team-hiring positions and will be implementing an internal training model by the end of 2024

3) Office of Economic Assistance

- a) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
 - (1) Effective October 1, 2024 the age limit for Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWD) increased from 52 to 54.
 - (2) ABAWDs between 18 and 54 with no work requirement exemptions will only be eligible for time-limited SNAP benefits of three months. To continue to receive SNAP for more than three months, the ABAWD will need to meet an exemption or be working or volunteering an average of 20 hours per week or 80 hours per month.
- b) Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
 - (1) The 2025 LIHEAP Heating Season began on October 1, 2024
- c) Summer EBT
 - (1) 2024 Summer EBT benefits have all been issued
 - (a) Benefits were issued to over 199,000 students for \$23,912,280 in benefits
 - (2) Planning for 2025 Summer EBT is in progress

4) Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care

5) Liberty – Quality Update

- a) Technical Assistance Program
- b) On-Site Provider Review
- c) Utilization Review

6) Division of Developmental Disabilities

- a) National Core Indicators (NCI) IDD Survey Results and Dashboard
 - To access the interactive data dashboard for Nebraska specific NCI data developed by Nebraska's University Center of Excellence and Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD)
 - <u>Data Dashboard and Reports | Munroe-Meyer Institute | University</u> of Nebraska Medical Center (unmc.edu)
 - (2) To access the full national Core Indicators-Intellectual and Developmental Disability In Person Survey National Report 2022-2023 please visit the NCI website
 - https://idd.nationalcoreindicators.org/survey-reports-insights/
- b) Policy Updates
 - (1) PB 24-04: Employee Background Checks and Specific Crimes-issued 09/03/2024
 - (2) NAC 404 Updates/Promulgation
 - (a) Family Support Waiver Offer Update
- 7) Next Meeting: November 4, 2024