Logistics/Participants:

Topic:	Electronic Visit Verification and Fiscal Agent Project Initiatives
Date/Time:	Tuesday, April 10, 2018 1:30-3:00 PM LLB NSOB
Meeting Objective:	Discuss EVV and FA project direction for feedback and comment

Meeting Notes:

Topic

Announcements

- The committee was informed that Ruth Vineyard has retired from MLTC. Heather Leschinsky is replacing Ruth as the EVV and FA project executive sponsor.
- Debbie Flower with MLTC has also been named as the project's business owner.
- A reminder was provided about the No Wrong Door listening session that was scheduled to occur immediately after the LTC Committee Meeting from 3-5pm.

Timing of EVV Go-Live

- The committee was informed of MLTC's informal discussions with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) about requesting an extension for the EVV implementation date in the 21st Century CURES Act. The current compliance date is 1/1/2019; however, if states exhibit good faith efforts in moving forward with an EVV implementation and have encountered unavoidable technical issues, the compliance date may be moved to 1/1/2020.
- The committee was informed about MLTC de-linking the EVV and FA projects. This will allow a focus on the EVV implementation due to the compliance date; however, the FA project will continue with implementation at some point after the EVV go-live.

Updated Issue Log Review

- Issue #6, Programs/Services to be included in EVV Scope, was discussed. Based upon guidance and interpretation from CMS of the CURES Act, if a component of a service includes personal care, MLTC must mandate EVV for the service. The services included are described in the issue log for AD Waiver, DD Adult Day Waiver, DD Comprehensive Waiver, and State Plan Personal Assistance Services (PAS).
- Issue #7, Fiscal Agent Model, was discussed. MLTC intends to implement both Fiscal Employer Agent (FEA) and Agency with Choice (AWC) models. The intent is for one vendor to provide services under each model. There is much program work to be done with this initiative.
- Issue #8, EVV Requirements, was discussed. It was discussed that due to MLTC being in an active vendor procurement, some information can not be publically shared. However, MLTC is committed to complying with the requirements of the 21st Century CURES Act and drafting vendor requirements to be minimally compliant. Future EVV functionality enhancements may be considered. The Request for Proposal (RFP) will seek for the vendors to propose their best technological solutions, including how their solutions will address challenges in rural areas.
- Issue #21, FA or State to Make Payments to Providers, is a new issue. There are two options,

either the state continues to generate the caregiver payments through the State of Nebraska's accounting system or the FEA/AWC vendor will generate payments through their system. The issue is open for comments.

Provider and Client Training

- The committee was asked for feedback and comments on means of conducting both provider and client training – some training may work best for providers while others work better for clients.
- The following means of providing training were mentioned: through various associations; service coordinators/developers; AAA's and Leagues; webinars; and group face-face sessions.
- The committee did express concern about the possible costs involved for individual providers to attend training sessions. MLTC noted this as an issue to be considered.

Demo on how to subscribe to Provider Bulletin page

• This agenda item was moved to a future meeting.

Housing Innovation Accelerator Program

• This agenda item was moved to a future meeting.

Roundtable

• No items noted, meeting was adjourned.