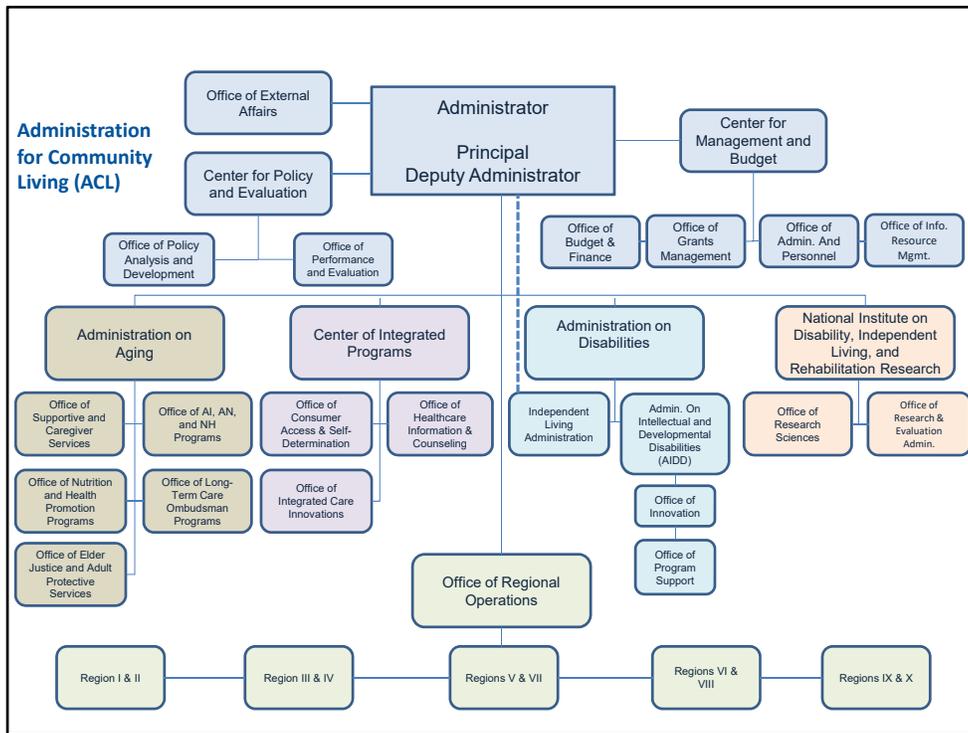




ACL Updates

July 10, 2018





Current Administration's Priorities

- ACL Administrator's 5 Pillars:
 - Connecting people to resources
 - Protecting rights and preventing abuse
 - Expanding employment opportunities
 - Supporting families and caregivers
 - Strengthening our networks

Formed internal staff work groups to focus on these. Lance will talk more on this when he speaks on Wednesday



Current Administration's Priorities

- HHS
 - Opioids
 - Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS)
 - Emergency Preparedness
- Reimagine HHS

NAS - is a group of problems that occur in a newborn who was exposed to addictive opiate drugs while in the mother's womb. ACL is exploring this topic with AUCD currently and developing training materials around this topic

Emergency Prep – ACL has regular meetings with the FEMA Integration Coordinator and has been collaborating with ASPR (Assistance Secretary for Planning and Response)

Reimagine HHS – an initiative of this administration to streamline agency and make it more efficient

Interagency Activities

- Improving data collection on individuals with ID/DD
- Early Childhood
- IACC
- Report: ***Ensuring Beneficiary Health and Safety in Group Homes Through State Implementation of Comprehensive Compliance Oversight***
- Veterans
- HCBS Settings Rule
- Employment

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Improving data collection includes a surveillance to update the prevalence rates for people with ID/DD; internal HHS workgroup with feedback from experts/external stakeholders – Erin, Donna know we are entering into agreement with National Center for Health Statistics (CDC) for question development and testing to update National prevalence to hopefully lead to an update on this;

2nd workgroup – putting out paper on State data – best practices for State data – health surveillance/health status for ID/DD and also a possible outcome could be state level prevalence

Developing a 5 and 10-year work plan for these workgroups now and products are currently going through OMB clearance. Working with NACDD to determine how to best involve the networks on this.

Early childhood – NAS/Opioids

IACC – Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee

Report – Disseminated, webinar – State Directors MH Services, National Association of States United for Aging and Disabilities (NASUAD), National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS) this month

Employment – projects of National significance, DD PIE



Projects of National Significance

- Business Acumen
- Living Well
- Partnerships in Employment
- Diversity Initiatives
- National Core Indicators
- Longitudinal Data Collection

Business Acumen - Provides training and technical assistance to disability networks as they increase their capacity to play leading roles in the design and delivery of managed long-term supports and services in their states and seek to contract with integrated care and other health sector entities. (NASUAD)

Living Well - Strengthens HCBS systems and promote the health, safety, independence, and participation of people with disabilities. Grantees will work with a broad coalition of state stakeholders to: support professionals working directly with people with disabilities; promote the leadership of self-advocates and families; promotes the use of evidence-based and promising practices such as supported decision making, person-centered planning, and competitive integrated employment; addresses abuse and rights violations in the HCBS delivery system and increase the capacity of states to provide HCBS in integrated settings.

Partnerships in Employment - To supplement the work of the current PIE states, TASH was awarded a five-year Cooperative Agreement to provide training and technical assistance to the PIE states. The Lewin Group was awarded a five-year contract to conduct the evaluation for the Partnerships in Employment Systems Change grants.

Diversity Initiatives – Cooperative agreement with Georgetown University’s Center for Cultural Competence, annual Leadership Academy and a cooperative agreement to do a community of practice to build capacity in this arena

National Core Indicators - In 2016 AIDD awarded a 3 year contract for an annual amount of \$250,000 to Human Services Research Institute (HSRI) to develop at least 20 quality measures derived from the NCI and NCI/AD and foster them through endorsement by the National Quality Forum.

Longitudinal Data Collection - DD Councils UCEDDS and P&As use the data derived from these projects to set their goals and priorities in their state. This information is vital for these grantees to inform and advance the goals in the state.



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Awards and Funding

- FY 18 final NOA distributed May 2018
- Congress appropriated \$76 million
- Councils were funded at \$75,270,088
- \$76 million was “trigger” amount for TA contract money to come out of the Council appropriations (previously this has come out of PNS)
- Minimum allotments were adjusted because appropriation was higher than the Consumer Price Index (CPI)
- Hold harmless – some Councils remain at 2002 level
- Budget tables (FY18 actuals, FY19 estimates) available on ACL.gov website

Any Executive Director/address changes – let us know so we can update to ensure NOAs are being received
TA and PSC fees result in deduction

Budget estimates – based on president’s budget released in February 2018. Won’t know what awards will look like until appropriations are passed for FY 19. Hold Harmless will still apply so any reduction would be proportional across Councils.

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Reporting Updates – PPR

FFY 2017 Program Performance Reports were intended to be submitted January 1, 2018 but were held up

This PPR focuses on the actual activities/results for October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017

30-day Federal Register Notice (FRN) for the new PPR template was published on June 15, 2018

30-day comment period for PPR template closes on July 16, 2018

Councils were directed to compile as much as possible in a word document until additional instructions are provided – please continue to do that for all reports



Reporting Updates – State Plan/SP Amendment

- State Plan “updates” for FFY 2018 were supposed to be due on January 1, 2018
- Councils should wait and provide “updates” during the next opportunity (January 1, 2019)
- Some Councils have expressed the need for an “Amendment”. Those are typically due August 15, 2018 and require a 45-day public comment period (should be engaged in this).
- More info on all of this including system opening/any potential due date changes will be announced



Reporting Updates - Work plans

- The FFY 2018 (revisions), 2019, 2020 work plans were intended to be submitted in ACL Reporting January 1, 2018 but this submission was delayed
- Councils should focus on moving forward, and draft as much as possible in word format to be ready to go once ACL notification to enter info is given



ACL Reporting System

For technical questions – contact Sara.Newell-Perez@acl.hhs.gov and she will contact the ACL Reporting help desk on your behalf

New Directors/Council reporting staff – make sure you have access. If you do not have access, contact Sara



UPCOMING FISCAL WEBINAR:
Tuesday, August 14, 2018
3:00-4:00 pm Eastern

Questions? Comments?

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