

Status of Performance-Based Contracting Model

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Section 503(6). The department, in conjunction with members from both the house of representatives and senate, private child placing agencies, the courts, and counties shall implement the recommendations that are described in the workgroup report that was provided in section 503 of article X of 2013 PA 59 to establish a performance-based funding for public and private child welfare services providers. The department shall provide a quarterly report on the status of the performance-based contracting model to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the senate and house standing committees on families and human services, and the senate and house fiscal agencies and policy offices.



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The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) continues to lead and utilize the Child Welfare Partnership Council to ensure stakeholder involvement in the development of a performance-based funding model. MDHHS has collaborated with Kent County MDHHS staff and the Kent County provider community involved in the West Michigan Partnership for Children (WMPC) to continue moving the Kent County pilot forward.

MDHHS and WMPC have identified a timeline that will take the pilot through to full implementation:

- 7/1/16: Start Phase 1: Infrastructure Building
- 1/1/17: Start Phase 2: Operationalization
- 5/1/17: Start Phase 3: Testing
- 10/1/17: Start Phase 4: Service Delivery (full implementation)

Phase 2, Operationalization, commenced on January 1, 2017. Recent accomplishments include:

WMPC Infrastructure Planning

- Completed interviews and hired a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the WMPC. The new CEO will start on April 24, 2017.
- Reviewed WMPC policies with MDHHS for further clarifications.
- Conducted presentations to community stakeholders including the Kent County Family & Children's Coordinating Council.
- Collaboration continued between the third-party independent evaluator, Westat and MDHHS to build a comprehensive logic and theory of change model for the pilot.

MDHHS Contracting, Oversight, Claiming and State Plan

- Westat has scheduled MDHHS local office and private provider site visits in Michigan for the week of March 27th to gather baseline data. A tentative schedule and focus group topics have been provided to each site location.
- MiSACWIS (Michigan's Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System) coding and testing is on track for timely implementation.
- The mobile application Mindshare will be used for dashboard reporting.
- Revisited local oversight processes for fiscal and child welfare program monitoring.

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- Began drafting a cost allocation plan amendment narrative and backup documentation.
- Actuarial rate development services provided by Public Consulting Group and partner Lewis & Ellis, Inc. continued over the second quarter including collection of updated cost data which will lead to a modified case rate prior to full implementation.