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Ohio Ranks in Top 10 in Community Inclusion Ohio oo 10ka ugu Horreeya ka Gashay Ka Qaybgalka

Ohio jumped 38 places in United Cerebral Palsy's (UCP) [*The Case for Inclusion*](#) report and now ranks 10th on the annual ranking of how well State Medicaid programs serve Americans with intellectual and developmental disabilities (ID/DD) and their families.

UCP cites Ohio's dramatic increase in the share of individuals (from 63 percent to 83 percent) and resources (from 50 percent to 64 percent) dedicated to the community, the closure of a state-operated Developmental Center, the reduction of the number of individuals served in large institutions (from 18 percent to 6 percent), and participation in the National Core Indicators survey as reasons for the increase in ranking.

"We're excited that UCP's report recognizes all of the progress we've made, but we're still focusing on how we can do even better," said John Martin, Director of DODD. "Many of the initiatives coming out of the operating budget will help us strengthen these areas even further."

The Case for Inclusion measures five areas, which are aligned with the University of Minnesota's Research and Training Center on Community Living's four key aspects of a high functioning and effective Medicaid program.

They include:

- **Promoting Independence:**

People with disabilities will live in and participate in their communities. This category accounts for 50 percent of the overall score – Ohio ranks 31st.

- **Promoting Productivity:**

People with disabilities will have satisfying lives and valued social roles. This category accounts for 12 percent of the overall score – Ohio ranks 33rd.

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- **Keeping Families Together and Reaching Those in Need:** People with disabilities will have sufficient access to needed support, and control over that support so that the assistance they receive contributes to lifestyles they desire. These categories account for 8 and 16 percent of the overall score – Ohio ranks 4th and 31st, respectively.
- **Tracking Health, Safety, and Quality of Life:** People will be safe and healthy in the environments in which they live. This category accounts for 14 percent of the overall score – Ohio ranks 17th.

“The report didn’t find that similar characteristics were necessary to be ranked in the top ten – these states are both large and small, rich and poor, low spenders and high spenders, have high and low tax burdens, and are politically diverse,” Director Martin said.

“This is very heartening because it means we can continue to see progress and aim for the top of the list – the only barriers are the ones we place on ourselves.”

One area where many states including Ohio could do better is reducing the waiting list for Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS). Nationally, there are more than 322,000 people on waiting lists for HCBS services, which is 5,000 more than last year; Ohio’s waiting list has more than 40,000 people, approximately 20,000 of whom need services now. The report cites that states’ would need to increase HCBS programs by 44 percent to significantly reduce or eliminate waiting lists.

“The additional state-funded waivers that were included in the FY2016-17 Executive Budget will help us being to address this issue,” Director Martin said. “As we continue to transform our system and services to become more efficient, we will reinvest savings back into the system so we’re able to serve more people.”

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The Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council has been supporting various programs and initiatives to raise awareness about issues that affect people with developmental disabilities and their families. One of the great impact initiatives supported by the DD Council is the SomaliCAN Outreach Newsletter, a bilingual monthly publication that serves as a great resource for more than 45,000 Somalis in Ohio. The progress that Ohio has made in this respect is good news for the staff, council members, and implementers of DD projects throughout the state of Ohio.

About the Case for Inclusion

The Case for Inclusion rankings were developed through a broad, data-driven effort. Demographic, cost, utilization, key data elements and outcomes statistics were assembled for all 50 States and the District of Columbia. Ninety-nine individual data elements from numerous governmental non-profit and advocacy organizations were reviewed.

Dozens of Medicaid, disability and ID/DD policy experts were consulted as well as members of national advocacy and research organizations.

They were asked to consider the attributes of top performing Medicaid programs and offer opinions and recommendations on key data measures and outcomes.

To comprehensively determine the top-performing States, a weighted scoring methodology was developed. Thirty key outcome measures and data elements were selected and individually scored in five major categories on a total 100-point scale.

If a person is living in the community, it is a key indicator of inclusion; therefore the “Promoting Independence” category received half of all possible points.

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Ohio oo kaalin sare ka gashay Ka Qaybgelinta

Bulshada

Kaalinta Ohio ayaa sare u kacday 38 jeer warbixinta ay qortay hay'adda United Cerebral Palsy oo cinwaankeedu yahay Ahmiyadda Ka Qaybgelinta iyadoo gashay kaalinta 10^{aad} tartanka sanadlaha ah ee lagu qiimeeyo adeegyada Medicaid iyo sida gobolladu ugu roonyihiin dadka qaba curyaanimada dhanka koritaanka iyo caqliga iyo qoysaskooda.

UCP waxay sheegtay in horumarka Ohio ugu wacanyihiin iyada oo ay aad sare ugu kaceen dadka (oo ahaa boqolkiiba 63 in ay haatan yihiin boqolkiiba 83) iyo khayraadka (oo ahaa boqolkiiba 50 in ay yihiin boqolkiiba 64), iyo ka qaybgalka sahanka heer qaran ee tilmaamayaasha muhiimka ah.

“Waan ku faraxsannahay in warbixinta UCP ay si buuxda u aqoonsatay horukaca aan ku tallaabsannay, waxaanse weli ku hawlan nahay sidii aan wax u sii hagaajin lahayn.”

Warbixinta Ahmiyadda Ka Qaybgelintu waxay cabbirtaa shan waxyaabood, oo ku salaysan Qiimaynta Xarunta Noloshaha Bulshada ee Jaamacadda Minnesota afarta astaamood ee lagu garto barnaamijyada Medicaid ee sida habsamida ah u shaqeeya. Waxaana ka mid ah:

- **Kobcinta Isku Filnaanshaha:**

In dadka qaba curyaanimadu ay ku dhex noolaadaan kana qayb qaataan arrimaha bulshada. Astaantan waxay u dhigantaa 50 boqolkiiba natiijada guud- Ohio waxay gashay 31aad.

- **Kobcinta Wax Soo Saarka:**

In dadka qaba curyaanimada noloshoodu ay waxtar leedahay oo ay bulshada ku leeyihiin kaalin qiimo leh. Astaantan waxay u dhigantaa boqolkiiba 12 natiijada guud- Ohio waa kaalinta 33aad.

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- Socodka Caafimaadka, Ammaanka, iyo tayada noloshaha: Dadka noqon doonaa badbaado iyo caafimaad ee deegaanka ay ku nool yihiin. Qaybtan waxaa la xisaabay in boqolkiiba 14 dhibcaha guud - Ohio kaalinta 17aad.

"Warbixintu waxay laakiin kama ay helin in sifooyinka la mid ah ay ahaayeen lagama maarmaan ah in la kaalinta tobanka ugu sareeya - dalalka kuwani waa lacago waaweyn iyo kuwo yaryar, taajir iyo faqiir, hoose iyo lacago sare labadaba, waxay leeyihiin yar iyo culayskooda canshuurta, oo waa siyaasad ahaan kala duwan, "Agaasimaha Martin yiri. "Tani waa mid aad u yar degayaa, maxaa yeelay, waxay ka dhigan tahay waxa aan sii wadi kartaa in aad aragto horumarka oo ujeedadoodu tahay sare ee liiska -. Caqabadaha kaliya waa kuwa aan meel ku nafteena". Qaranka, waxaa jira in ka badan 322.000 qof oo liiska sugidda ee adeegyada HCBS, taas oo ah in ka badan 5,000 oo sanadkii la soo dhaafay; Liiska sugitaanka Ohio ee in ka badan 40,000 oo qof, qiyaastii 20,000 kuwaas oo hadda u baahan adeegyada. ODDC ayaa ka shaqaysa sidii loo kordhin lahaa adeegyada loo fidiyo dadka si loo yareeyo liiska sugitaanka.

Golaha Dadka Qaba Curyaanimada Korriinka Ohio ayaa maalgeliya mashaariic iyo hindisayaal badan oo dadka looga wacyi gelinayo arrimaha curyaanimada korriinka. Mashaariicdaas waxaa ka mid ah wargeyska SomaliCAN Outreach Newsletter oo ku soo baxa laba af bil walba una adeega dad kor u dhaafaya 45,000 oo Soomaalida Ohio ah.

Hawlwadeennada, guddiga iyo hay'adaha hirgelinta barnaamijyada khuseeya korriinka carruurta ee gobolka Ohio ayaa soo dhoweeyay warbixintan iyaga oo ballan qaaday in ay dedaalkooda sii labanlaabi doonaan.

Warbixinta Ka Qaybgelinta Bulshada:

Qiimeynta billaha Inclusion lagu soosaaray ballaaran, dadaal xog-driven ah. Dadka, kharashka, isticmaalka, xubno muhiim ah oo xog iyo tirakoobka natiijooyinka soo ururay oo dhan oo 50 States iyo District of Columbia. Sagaal iyo sagaashan xubno xogta shakhsiga ah ururada aan faa'iido-iyu u doodidda dawladda tiro badan ayaa dib loo eego. Daraasiin Medicaid, naafada iyo ID / DD khabarada siyaasadda ayaa ku tashaday iyo sidoo kale xubno ka mid ah ururada u doodidda iyo cilmi baaris heer qaran ah.

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Grant Writing Workshop

United Way of Central Ohio

Neighborhood Training Academy

Targeting for Grant Writing Success

Dates & Times: Wednesday, October 21, 2015 / 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 pm

Class Description: This workshop will provide participants the opportunity to learn key components and understanding of grant proposals. Workshop will address developing clear goals and objectives, budgets and writing concise narratives.

Cost: \$15.00

Location:

United Way of Central Ohio

360 S. 3rd St., Columbus, OH 43205

To register, please visit: <http://liveunitedcentralohio.org/agencies-initiatives/initiatives/neighborhood-partnership-center/neighborhood-training-academy/neighborhood-training-academy-schedule>

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Emergency: 9-1-1

Non-emergency: 614-645-4545

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Mental Health Crisis:

Netcare Access: 614-276-2273

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Columbus Health Department

Free Clinic: 614-240-7430

Legal Matters:

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