

HCBS

HCBS

HCBS

HCBS

HCBS

**Quality Indicators for
Home and Community-Based Services
in Maine**

- **Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities**
- **Adults with Physical Disabilities - Who Self Direct**
- **Adults with Mental Retardation/Autism**



University of Southern Maine Muskie School of Public Service

This report was prepared under a Cooperative Agreement between Muskie School of Public Service and Maine Department of Health and Human Services.



Sponsored by the Maine Department of Health and Human Services, with the participation of consumer groups, advocates, and other state agencies. The State of Maine does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, color, creed, gender, age, or national origin in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs services or activities, or its hiring practices.



This document was developed under FY 2003 RealChoice Systems Change Grant (Grant # 11-P-92024/1-01) Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement in Home and Community-Based Services from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. However, the contents herein do not necessarily represent the policy of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and you should not infer endorsement by the federal government.

Prepared by:

Julie Fralich, Senior Policy Analyst
Carolyn Gray, Research Analyst
Louise Olsen, Research Analyst
Jasper Ziller, Database Administrator

Institute for Health Policy Edmund S. Muskie School of Public Service

University of Southern Maine
PO Box 9300, Portland, Maine 04104

For more information, additional copies, or copies of the report in alternative format, please contact:

Julie Fralich (207-780-4848)
207-228-8440 (TTY)
julief@usm.maine.edu

Acknowledgements

This report was prepared as a collaborative effort of the home and community based service (HCBS) program agencies that administer and manage three of Maine’s HCBS Waivers: Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities; and Adults with Physical Disabilities who direct their own services; Adults with MR and Autism. The indicators that are highlighted in this report were identified as ones of importance and relevance by a Quality Technical Advisory Group (Quality TAG). The Quality TAG included representatives of consumers, advocates, providers, other stakeholders and policy makers.

The authors would like to thank all who participated in the development, review and final preparation of this report. Mollie Baldwin, from the Office of Elder Services, provided guidance and thoughtful comments on program descriptions and data presentation for the Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities Waiver and the Physically Disabled-consumer directed waiver. Jane Gallivan and David Goddu from the Office of Adults with Cognitive and Physical Disabilities Services provided important input and review of the Adults with MR/Autism program design and report presentation.

Finally, we would like to extend our appreciation to Christine Richards for her editing, layout and design of the final product.

Table of Contents

Quality Indicators for Home and Community-Based Services in Maine

■ Introduction	5
■ Data Sources	7
■ Demographics.....	11
■ HCBS Quality Framework.....	15
■ Participant Access	17
■ Participant-Centered Service Planning and Delivery	21
■ Provider Capacity and Capabilities.....	25
■ Participant Safeguards.....	29
■ Participant Rights and Responsibilities	33
■ Participant Outcomes and Satisfaction.....	37
■ System Performance.....	41
■ Health Care Utilization.....	45

HCBS

HCBS

Introduction

Population Groups

- Older adults and adults with disabilities
- Physically disabled: consumer directed
- Adults with mental retardation and autism (MR/A)

Definition: HCBS Waiver

The term, HCBS Waiver, refers to the special approval that states receive from the Centers for Medicaid & Medicare (CMS) to design more flexible services to meet the individual needs of people in the community. Home and Community Based Service (HCBS) waivers provide services to people in the community who are eligible to be in an institution but prefer to receive services in their home or the community.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide summary information on the performance of Maine's home and community based care system. The data in this report can be used to identify areas where the system is working and people are satisfied with services and to identify areas where improvement may be needed. The data may also point to areas where further analysis or more information would be helpful. The data in the report represents baseline information. There are no absolute standards or norms against which the results can be compared. In some instances, it will be important to use the data as a basis for further discussion and inquiry in order to "interpret" or draw conclusions from the results. This is part of an ongoing quality improvement process.

Background

In 2001, the Maine Department of Health and Human Services received a three year grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to improve services for people with disabilities. The goal of the Quality component of the grant was to select a set of core quality indicators for home and community based services across population groups. These core indicators provide a way for consumers, policy makers and other stakeholders to routinely and systematically assess the overall performance of the home and community-based service system. The results of the core indicators also provide information that can be used to identify priority areas for quality improvement.

In 2003, the Maine Department of Health and Human Services received a three year grant to develop an inter-departmental approach to improving quality for people with disabilities in the community. One of the goals of the grant is to assess the performance of the HCBS system in Maine. Using the core indicators as a foundation, this report provides baseline information on key areas of focus for home and community based services in Maine.

Population Groups

This report focuses on three population groups who receive long term services and supports in their home:

- older adults and adults with disabilities
- physically disabled adults who self-direct their own services; and
- adults with mental retardation and autism

These are individuals who are eligible to be in an institution but prefer to receive services in their home or community. They receive services through the HCBS waiver.

HCBS

HCBS Focus Areas:

- Participant Access
- Participant-Centered Planning and Delivery
- Provider Capacity and Capabilities
- Participant Safeguards
- Participant Rights and Responsibilities
- Participant Outcomes and Satisfaction
- System Performance
- Health Care Utilization

Quality Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

A Quality Technical Advisory Group (TAG) was formed in 2002 to provide advice and guidance on the selection of a set of core indicators. Members of the Quality TAG included representatives of consumers, advocacy organizations, providers, other stakeholders and department staff responsible for Home and Community Based Services. (HCBS). The Quality TAG identified a set of core quality indicators for each population group. These core indicators are called “dashboard indicators.”

This report is the result of a collaborative effort between the administering agencies for these HCBS waiver programs.

Dashboard Indicators

This report includes the core measures that were identified as “dashboard” indicators by the Quality TAG. The report is organized according to the major focus areas identified in the HCBS Quality Framework. In addition, Health Care Utilization has been added as an area of focus for purposes of this report.

For each focus area, the Quality TAG identified one to three dashboard indicators. Because the dashboard indicators are derived from a number of different sources, the report is organized such that the indicators for each HCBS waiver can be viewed individually. The only exception to this approach is the set of dashboard indicators that are derived from administrative claims data (see Health Care Utilization).

In addition, in some instances the indicators are reported for a group that may include more than just those individuals served by a particular waiver. This approach reflects the historical approach taken by the HCBS program area. For example, the Bureau of Elder and Adult Services conducts a survey of all people accessing LTC services and their satisfaction with the assessment process. This survey does not separately identify people who are served by the HCBS older adult waivers. The Bureau of Developmental Services conducts an annual survey of consumers and family members for people with mental retardation and autism. The survey has not separately identified “HCBS waiver” participants. Throughout the report, we identify the population for which the indicators are reported.

Organization of Report

The report is organized into chapters that correspond with the Focus Areas identified in the HCBS Quality Framework developed by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid. Each chapter begins with a brief summary of the program design features for each HCBS Waiver program. The summary is followed by core measures for each population group. Because the data come from a number of different sources, care should be taken in making comparisons across program areas.

For ease of review, the reader may want to focus on one chapter at a time or may want to focus on one population group at a time.

HCBS

Data Sources

Data Sources

- Consumer Surveys
- Medicaid and Medicare Claims Data
- Administrative Data

Overview

The data for this report are derived from a variety of sources and for a number of different years.

Consumer Surveys:

Historically each HCBS program area has administered separate consumer surveys using different survey approaches. The survey methods have included

- mail surveys which are completed by consumers and/or family members;
- in-home interviews with consumers;
- consumer surveys sent to and administered by providers; and
- family/guardian surveys

Medicaid and Medicare Claims Data

Many of the people served by HCBS Waiver programs are dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare. For this reason, it is necessary to link Medicaid and Medicare claims data at the individual level in order to get a full picture of the utilization of services. The linked Medicare and Medicaid data were only available for the year 2000. Thus, the indicators derived from the linked Medicare and Medicaid data represent baseline data for which more current data will soon be available for comparison purposes. Results from the use of the linked Medicaid-Medicare data are provided in the Health Care Utilization section.

Administrative Data

MeCare Data

Other administrative data includes data from the MeCare long term care assessment system. This system includes demographic, cognitive, behavioral and other assessment level information for older adults and adults with disabilities who are seeking long term care services.

EIS Data

The Enterprise Information System provides core assessment, care planning and incident reporting information for people with MR/A.

Each of these data sources will be discussed in more detail below.

HCBS

Data Sources

Consumer Surveys

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

The Bureau of Elder and Adult Services administers two surveys:

Assessment Survey:

Purpose: To assess consumer satisfaction with the assessment process conducted by Good Health Services.

Population surveyed: All those who receive a Good assessment. This includes all older adults and adults with disabilities who seek long term care services in Maine.

Method: Mailed survey

Response rate: The survey was sent to 2,242 people. Six-hundred and sixty-two people responded representing a 30% response rate.

Year: Survey was mailed in the fall of 2003.

Home Care Satisfaction Survey:

Purpose: To assess consumer satisfaction with care management and personal care services they are receiving provided by Elder Independence of Maine (EIM).

Population surveyed: All older adults and adults with disabilities receiving any Medicaid or state funded HCBS services provided through EIM.

Method: Mailed survey

Response rate: Survey was mailed to 3,025 people, 51% responded (1,537 people).

Year: Survey was mailed in the summer of 2004.

Note: Calculation of Percentages

Unless otherwise noted, the percentages that are shown in the report represent the proportion of people who answered the question with a "yes" answer. The denominator of this percentage includes all people who were asked the question including those who answered "unsure," "don't know," or "no response."

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

The Participant Experience Survey for Consumer Direction

Purpose: To assess consumer's experience directing their own services including satisfaction with training, hiring and managing workers and other aspects of the HCBS waiver for people with physical disabilities.

Population surveyed: Criteria for being interviewed included being an active participant on the Consumer-Directed Waiver as of June 2004.

Method: In-home survey conducted by the Survey Research Center at the University of Southern Maine.

Response rate: A total of 265 potential participants were identified. And 67% (177 people) completed the survey.

Year: The survey was conducted in 2004.

Note: Calculation of Percentages

Unless otherwise noted, the percentages that are shown in the report represent the proportion of people who answered the question with a "yes" answer. The denominator of this percentage includes all people who were asked the question including those who answered "unsure," "don't know," or "no response."

Adults with MR/A

National Core Indicators:

The Bureau of Developmental Services administers a consumer and a family survey developed as part of the National Core Indicators:

Consumer Survey

Purpose: To identify and measure core indicators of performance of state developmental disabilities service systems.

Population surveyed: Each year the Bureau of Developmental Services selects one third of adults receiving MR/A services (including waiver and non-waiver participants).

Method: BDS staff train providers to conduct the interviews with consumers. Results are sent to BDS.

Response rate: There were 417 respondents.

Year: 2004

Family Survey

Purpose: To provide information about the effectiveness of service systems in supporting families who have an adult family member with a developmental disability living at home with them.

Population: All adults with MR case management services who live with their family.

Method: Mailed survey.

Response Rate: 637 surveys were mailed; 345 surveys were returned for a 54% response rate.

Year: 2004

Note: Calculation of Percentages

In the calculation of the percentages, "don't know," "n/a," or "no response" are treated as missing data and not included in the denominator.

Data Sources

Other Administrative Data

Medicaid and Medicare Claims Data

Purpose: To develop health care outcome, prevention and performance measures for people served by the HCBS waiver programs. Measures of interest include:

- Cervical cancer screening
- Breast cancer screening
- Diabetes screening
- Use of emergency rooms
- Avoidable hospital conditions

Population: Includes members who were on a waiver or in an institution for six months or more in the year and who were MaineCare eligible for 11 or more months. If a person was on both the waiver and in an institution, the person was “assigned” to the group where s/he was for six months or more.

Method: Medicare and Medicaid claims were linked at the individual level. This was done using Medicare data provided by CMS and Medicaid data from the Maine Department of Health and Human Services.

Year: State Fiscal Year 2000

Medicaid-only Data

Purpose: To examine the use of medications by people served by the HCBS waivers.

Indicators include:

- Use of inappropriate medications
- Use of psychotropic medications
- Use of 9 or more medications

Population: People served by the HCBS waiver programs and people in nursing facilities (NF) and ICF/MR's

Method: Analysis of MaineCare (Medicaid) claims data

Year: 2003

Administrative Data

■ MeCare Assessment Data

Purpose: To use data from the MeCare Assessment to describe the characteristics and demographics of older adults and adults with disabilities.

Population: Older adults and adults with disabilities.

Method: Analysis of MeCare data

Year: Fiscal Year 2004; other most recent available.

■ Enterprise Information System (EIS)

Purpose: To use data from the EIS system to describe and examine characteristics of people with MR/A and to assess other patterns and trends.

Population: Adults with MR/A

Method: Analysis of EIS data

Year: Most recent available.

HCBS

Demographics

Population Descriptions

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

Population: The Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities Waiver serves people age eighteen (18) and older who meet nursing facility level of care and choose to receive services in their home.

Eligibility: People must be determined eligible for NF level of care:

- assistance and physical support in three of the following ADLs:
 - bed mobility, transfer, locomotion, eating and toileting, OR
- combination of three needs from: skilled nursing, cognition, behavior, and at least limited assist in 1 ADL from the following ADLs: bed mobility, transfer, locomotion, eating and toileting, OR
- daily RN care, intensive therapies, other extensive assistance, as specified in rule

Services: Services include:

- personal care
- adult day health
- transportation
- homemaker
- personal emergency response systems
- home health services
- respite care
- environmental modifications
- care management/coordination
- independent living assessment

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

Population: The Physically Disabled Waiver serves people age eighteen (18) and older with severe physical disabilities who meet nursing facility level of care, are their own guardian and have the ability and desire to self-direct the services they receive in their home.

Eligibility: People must be determined eligible for NF level of care:

- assistance and physical support in three of the following ADLs:
 - bed mobility, transfer, locomotion, eating and toileting, OR
- combination of three needs from: skilled nursing, cognition, behavior, and at least limited assist in 1 ADL from the following ADLs: bed mobility, transfer, locomotion, eating and toileting, OR
- daily RN care, intensive therapies, other extensive assistance, as specified in rule

Services: Services include:

- personal care services
- personal emergency response systems
- skills training
- case management

Adults with MR/A

Population: This waiver serves people with mental retardation and/or autism and who have an IQ of 70 or below.

Eligibility: People who are currently on the waiver must have been certified as to medical necessity by a physician. People are reclassified annually. People must meet the ICF-MR level of care requirements.

Services: Covered services include:

- habilitation services (e.g. residential training and day habilitation services)
- consultation services (including but not limited to licensed psychologists, speech pathologists, therapists and non-traditional communication assessments)
- respite services
- transportation services
- adaptive aids
- communication services
- crisis intervention services
- environmental modification services
- personal support services
- supported employment services
- maintenance therapy (i.e. occupational, speech therapy)

Care management is a MaineCare state plan service provided by a combination of state workers and independent contractors.

Demographics

Data Source: MeCare Data FY 2004
Medicaid/Medicare Claims 2000*

■ Top 10 Diagnoses

Older Adults (age 60+) (n=715)

Hypertension	60%
Arthritis	57%
Depression	43%
Allergies	41%
Diabetes	35%
Cerebrovascular Accident	34%
Other Cardiovascular	29%
Congestive Heart Failure	27%
Hemiplegia/Hemiparesis	24%
Osteoporosis	23%

Adults w/Disabilities (n=351)

Depression	40%
Allergies	40%
Hypertension	32%
Arthritis	26%
Seizure Disorder	23%
Multiple Sclerosis	18%
Anxiety Disorder	18%
Diabetes	18%
Mental Retardation	16%
Other Cardiovascular	15%

■ Age distribution

18-30	6%
31-45	11%
46-59	17%
60-64	7%
65-74	16%
75-84	25%
85+	19%

*Includes Older Adults and adults with Disabilities Waiver participants with 11 or more months of MaineCare and 6 months or more on the waiver.

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

■ Eligibility for Medicaid/Medicare*

Older Adults

Dually Eligible for Medicaid/Medicare	95%
MaineCare/Medicaid only	5%

Adults with Disabilities

Dually Eligible for Medicaid/Medicare	59%
MaineCare/Medicaid only	41%

■ Assistance with ADLs

Toilet Use

Independent	6%
Needs Assistance	75%
Totally Dependent	19%

Transfer

Independent	4%
Needs Assistance	80%
Totally Dependent	15%

Locomotion

Independent	11%
Needs Assistance	70%
Totally Dependent	15%

Bed Mobility

Independent	18%
Needs Assistance	71%
Totally Dependent	10%

Eating

Independent	63%
Needs Assistance	28%
Totally Dependent	9%

Demographics

Data Source: MeCare Data FY 2001
 Medicaid Claims 2000*
 Medicaid/Medicare Claims 2000**

■ Top 10 Diagnoses

People Under 60 (n=194)

Quadriplegia.....	25%
Multiple Sclerosis.....	15%
Arthritis.....	15%
Allergies.....	13%
Diabetes Mellitus.....	13%
Cerebral Palsy.....	13%
Asthma.....	9%
Depression.....	7%
Seizure Disorder.....	7%
Hypertension.....	6%

People Over 60 (n=53)

Arthritis.....	30%
Osteoporosis.....	21%
Diabetes Mellitus.....	19%
Emphysema/COPD.....	19%
Cerebrovascular Accident.....	19%
Quadriplegia.....	15%
Hypertension.....	15%
Multiple Sclerosis.....	11%
Allergies.....	9%
Cancer.....	9%

■ Age distribution*

0-18.....	1%
19-50.....	59%
51-60.....	19%
61-64.....	6%
65+.....	15%

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

■ Eligibility for Medicaid/Medicare



■ Assistance with ADLs

Toilet Use



Transfer



Locomotion



Bed Mobility



Eating



*Includes Physically Disabled Waiver participants with 11 or more months of MaineCare and 6 months or more on the waiver.

Demographics

Data Source: Medicaid Claims 2000*
Medicaid/Medicare Claims 2000**

■ Age distribution

0-18	4%
19-50	71%
51-60	15%
61-64	3%
65+	7%

Adults with MR/A

■ Eligibility for Medicaid/Medicare**



*Includes MR Waiver participants with 11 or more months of MaineCare and 6 months or more on the waiver.

HCBS Quality Framework

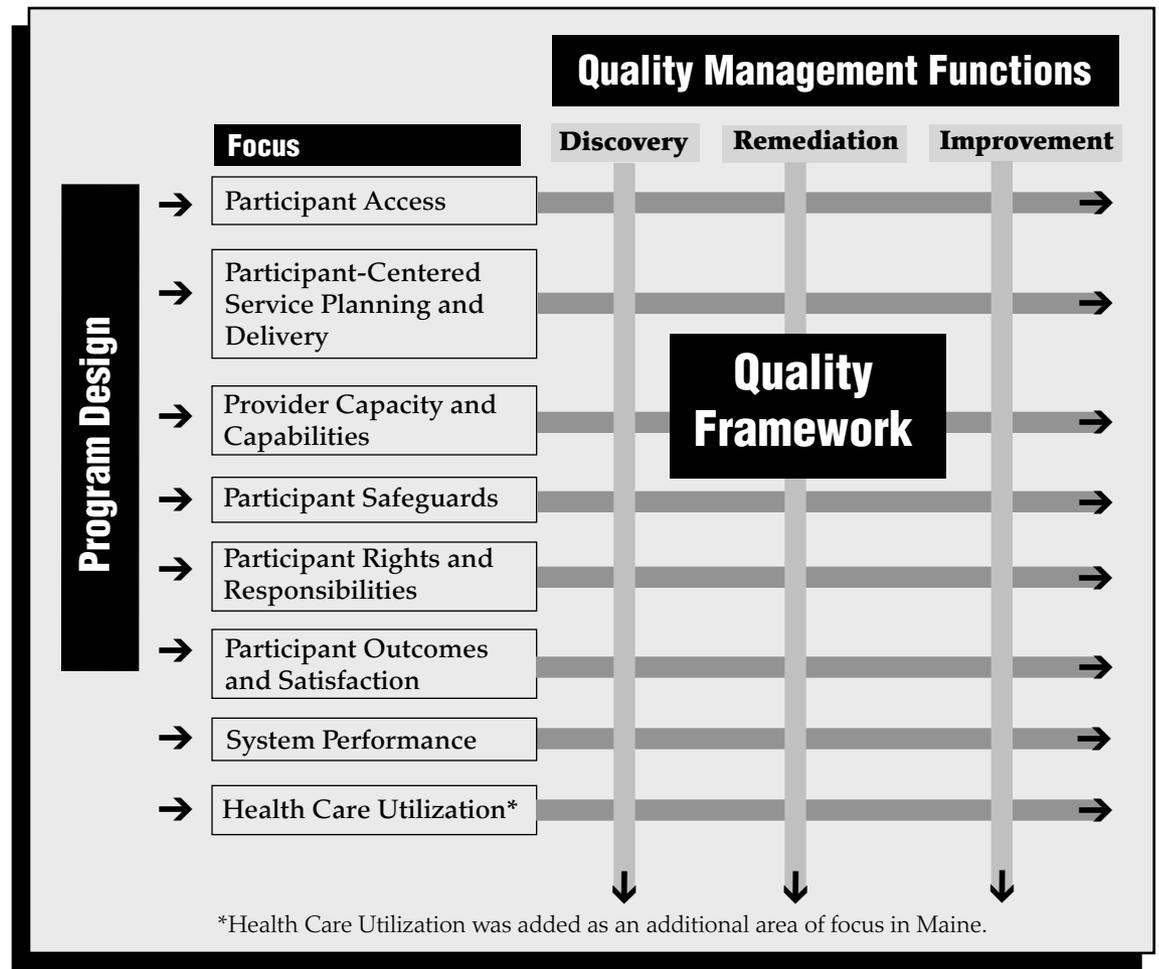
Quality management encompasses three functions:

- **Discovery:** Collecting data and direct participant experiences in order to assess the ongoing implementation of the program, identifying strengths and opportunities for improvement.
- **Remediation:** Taking action to remedy specific problems or concerns that arise.
- **Continuous Improvement:** Utilizing data and quality information to engage in actions that lead to continuous improvement in the HCBS program.

Background

In 2003, The Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services (CMS) released the HCBS Quality Framework which outlines major areas of focus in the design of a HCBS Program and the quality management functions that are used to assess program goals.

Program design sets the stage for achieving desired outcomes. Program design addresses such topics as service standards, provider qualifications, assessment, service planning, monitoring participant health and welfare, and critical safeguards (e.g., incident reporting and management systems).



HCBS

HCBS Quality Framework

The Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Quality Framework provides a common frame of reference in support of productive dialogue among all parties who have a stake in the quality of community services and supports for older persons and individuals with disabilities. The Framework focuses attention on participant-centered desired outcomes along eight dimensions.

Focus	Desired Outcome
Participant Access	Individuals have access to home and community-based services and supports in their communities.
Participant-Centered Service Planning and Delivery	Services and supports are planned and effectively implemented in accordance with each participant's unique needs, expressed preferences and decisions concerning his/her life in the community.
Provider Capacity and Capabilities	There are sufficient HCBS providers and they possess and demonstrate the capability to effectively serve participants.
Participant Safeguards	Participants are safe and secure in their homes and communities, taking into account their informed and expressed choices.
Participant Rights and Responsibilities	Participants receive support to exercise their rights and accept personal responsibilities.
Participant Outcomes and Satisfaction	Participants are satisfied with their services and achieve desired outcomes.
System Performance	The system supports participants efficiently and effectively and constantly strives to improve quality.
Health Care Utilization	Participants are provided appropriate health care services.*

*Added for Maine

HCBS

Participant Access

Desired Outcome: Individuals have access to home and community-based services and supports in their communities.

Program Design

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

Assessment: All people seeking nursing facility or adult waiver services have a face-to-face medical eligibility determination (MED) assessment.

The assessment is intended to:

- provide timely and objective functional eligibility decisions for nursing home and state/Medicaid funded home care programs;
- educate consumers and families about in-home and community support services, residential, or institutional options; and
- support fair allocation of resources based on need.

Who Conducts Assessment: The Department of Health & Human Services contracts with one agency (currently Goold Health Systems), to operate the assessment program statewide. Assessors determine medical eligibility for over 14 different Medicaid and state funded in-home programs, including the two adult waivers, and nursing facility care.

- In order to avoid conflict of interest, the assessing services agency may not be a provider of long term care services.
- The Department has developed an automated system (MECARE) to collect and track the MED assessment data.

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

Assessment: All people seeking nursing facility or adult waiver services have a face-to-face medical eligibility determination (MED) assessment.

The assessment is intended to:

- provide timely and objective functional eligibility decisions for nursing home and state/Medicaid funded home care programs;
- educate consumers and families about in-home and community support services, residential, or institutional options; and
- support fair allocation of resources based on need.

Who Conducts Assessment: The Department of Health & Human Services contracts with one agency (currently Goold Health Systems), to operate the assessment program statewide. Assessors determine medical eligibility for over 14 different MaineCare and state funded in-home programs, including the two adult waivers, and nursing facility care.

- In order to avoid conflict of interest, the assessing services agency may not be a provider of long term care services.
- The Department has developed an automated system (MECARE) to collect and track the MED assessment data.

Adults with MR/A

Assessment: All people seeking MR services have an assessment. The purpose of the assessment is:

- to assess eligibility for MR and MaineCare services;
- to determine if a person would otherwise qualify to live in an ICF-MR; and
- to determine the nature and timing of medically necessary services in a person's Individual Plan.

Who Conducts Assessment: Regional office staff conduct initial assessments and reassessments for people seeking MR services. The assessment includes the development of an initial plan of care. Plans are generally reviewed annually or when there is a significant change.

Participant Access

Data Source: Assessment Survey 2003
n=662

• “The assessment was very thorough and very informative. The nurse was very professional, willing to help in any way, willing to listen attentively and very concerned about helping us out in our situation—also a very nice person— personally very unbiased.”

• “The nurse was very helpful and pleasant. We had all our questions answered in detail. I would like to thank you guys for all the help I got from the information she gave me.”

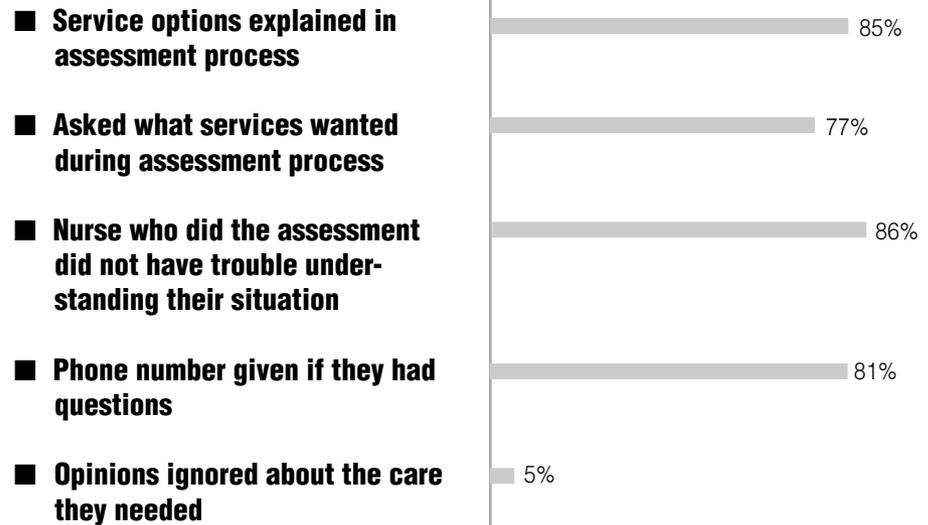
• “Very courteous, helpful, nice. Explained anything difficult to understand. I was and am very appreciative of the services and thankful for a friendly face and friend.”

• “The nurse that came to my home was very nice to talk to and answered every question I need to know and explained it to me with no problems that I could not understand. She was very nice and polite to me and my family and was on time. Thank you very much.”

• “I don't feel my assessment was fair. I need many more hours to be able to live on my own. Seems they would like it better if I went into a facility.”

• “Goold is always very good, however, we remain without services and it is very difficult and unsafe.”

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver and non-waiver)

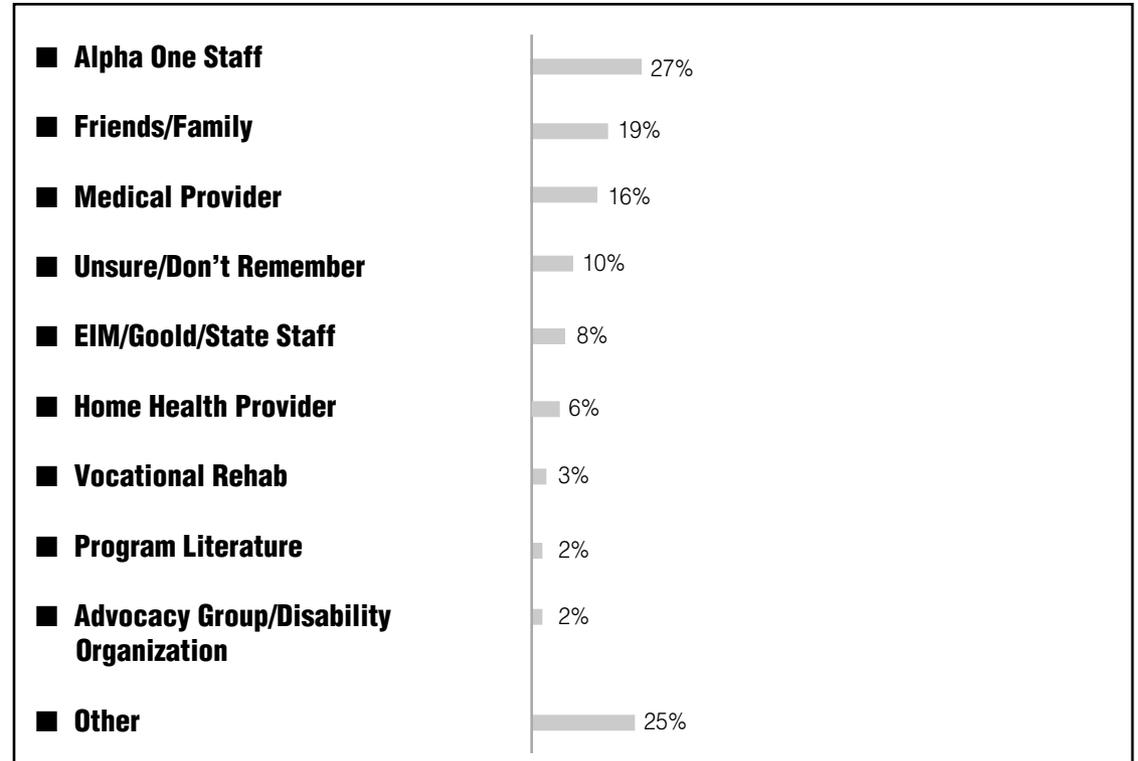


Participant Access

Data Source: Participant Experience Survey 2004
n=177

Physically Disabled: Consumer-Directed

■ First learned of consumer-directed waiver from:



Participant Access

Data Source: Family Survey National Core Indicators 2003

“Our BDS worker is very helpful. Always tries to get answers to my questions.”

“I feel that supports are not available at the level that we need to help keep our son home with us. And that we are not fully informed of the services that are out there.”

“We were very unhappy to lose our ISC caseworker. We needed someone to talk to a few times a year to tell us of services available and be a go-between for us to help.”

Adults with MR/A

■ Receive information on services and supports available (n=316)



■ Easy to understand information (n=254)



■ Enough information to participate in planning services (n=285)



HCBS

Participant-Centered Service Planning and Delivery

Desired Outcome: Services and supports are planned and effectively implemented in accordance with each participant's unique needs, expressed preferences and decisions concerning his/her life in the community.

Program Design

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

Individual Plan: The assessing services agency works with the participant to develop a plan of care. This plan includes the waiver services to be provided, the number of hours for each covered service and the provider type to deliver each service. The plan of care takes into account each person's living arrangements, informal supports and services provided by other public and private funding sources.

Choice: At the end of the assessment, the consumer signs a letter indicating their choice for either nursing facility or community services. If the consumer chooses community services, the home care coordinating agency then begins the process of arranging and coordinating the services as authorized in the assessment's plan of care.

Case Management: The Home Care Coordinating Agency, Elder Independence of Maine (EIM) receives a monthly per person payment to:

- arrange services
- coordinate and monitor care;
- calculate consumer co-payments
- contract with service providers
- pay claims;
- audit providers;
- participate in quality improvement activities.

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

Individual Plan: The assessing agency works with participants to develop a plan of care. This plan includes waiver services to be provided, the number of hours for each service, and the provider type to deliver each service. The plan takes into account each person's living arrangements, informal supports, and services provided by other public/private funding sources.

Choice: At the end of the assessment, the consumer signs a letter indicating their choice for either nursing facility or community services. If the consumer chooses community services, the Provider/Case Management agency will implement skills training to assist the consumer as they prepare to hire and direct their waiver services.

Case Coordination: The Provider/Case Management Agency, Alpha One, receives a monthly per person payment for:

- coordinating and implementing services;
- skills training;
- ensuring authorized services are delivered;
- serving as a resource for members to identify service options and service providers;
- processing claims;
- overseeing and assuring compliance, and conducting required utilization review activities.

Adults with MR/A

Individual Plan: Person-centered planning is a process that is directed by the individual or their representative, respects and assures the individual's choices, is adaptable and creative and is meaningful and user friendly.

The plan includes the medically necessary services to be provided, the frequency of service provision and the type of providers who will furnish the services.

Choice: If a person meets the ICF-MR level of care, the case manager informs the individual and guardian of service alternatives and offers the individual and the guardian the opportunity to choose one of those alternatives in a choice letter.

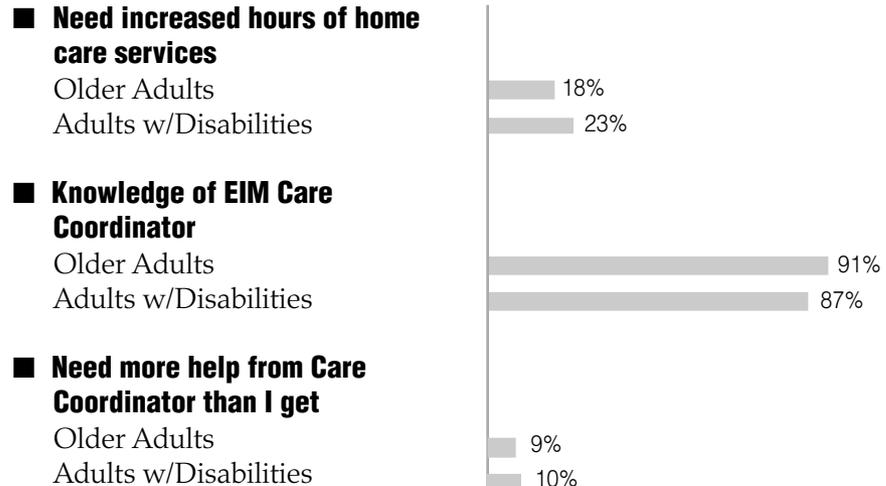
Case Management: The case manager convenes the service planning team, develops the individual plan, monitors the services, and assures that the services meet the needs set forth in the member's plan.

Participant-Centered Service Planning and Delivery

Data Source: Home Care Satisfaction Survey
2004
Older Adults n=266
Adults w/Disabilities n=151

- “She is kind and easy to talk to. She understands me and knows how to get me the services I need. I trust her completely.”
- “My Mom’s care coordinator is always nice and always very helpful. If I have a question for her and she doesn’t know the answer, she will look it up and will call me back giving me the information that I am looking for.”
- “Care coordinator is very caring person. Interested in the services I receive and very helpful in making sure services are running smoothly.”
- “It is difficult to service the hours needed as there are not enough PCA’s to go around.”
- “They are cutting down hours which isn’t fair to us.”

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver participants)



HCBS

Participant-Centered Service Planning and Delivery

Data Source: Participant Experience Survey
Consumer Directed 2004
n=177

- “People at Alpha One are very helpful and very thoughtful—they give you ideas and counsel.”
- “Alpha One has always helped me. I just call anytime I need help.”
- “Alpha One has been very good to me over the years. They are the only program that can help me. I’m afraid of the prospect of a nursing home.”
- “I look forward to seeing my Alpha One caseworker, talking with her. If I have any problem (very rare), I call and they take care of it immediately.”

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed



HCBS

Participant-Centered Service Planning and Delivery

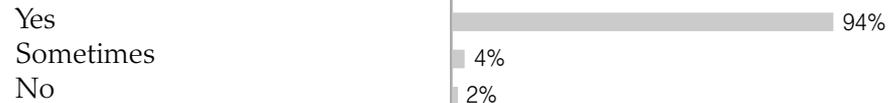
Data Source: Consumer Survey National Core Indicators 2004

Adults with MR/A

■ Service coordinator helps with needs (n=231)



■ Receive needed services (n=413)

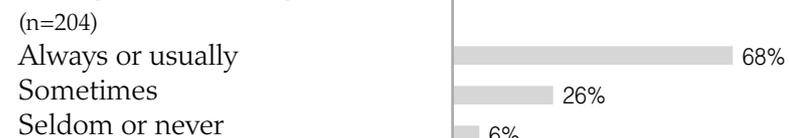


Data Source: Family Survey National Core Indicators 2004

“My daughter and I are very pleased with the support we receive. The people we work with are responsible and responsive. Thank you.”

“Our daughter is much happier and has a better outlook. She has learned and improved in countless areas such as reading, math, money management, telling and understanding time. This is the best program that she has ever had. I wish we had started earlier.”

■ Service plan includes things that are important to family member (n=204)



■ Services and supports meet family's needs (n=277)



Provider Capacity and Capabilities

Desired Outcome: There are sufficient HCBS providers and they possess and demonstrate the capability to effectively serve participants.

Program Design

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

Providers: Services are delivered through a network of more than 200 home health agencies, adult day service providers, personal care agencies, and independent nurse contractors. The Home Care Coordinating Agency, Elder Independence of Maine, contracts with each provider and conducts provider audits related to staffing, training, delivery of service and billing.

Qualifications: Professional staff (RN, LPN, therapists) must be fully licensed as documented by written evidence from the appropriate governing body. All professional staff must provide services only to the extent permitted by licensure and approval to practice conditions.

Other nonprofessional staff (e.g., CNAs, PCAs, HHAs) must have appropriate education, training and experience, as verified by the Home Care Coordinating Agency.

This includes verification that an individual is listed on the applicable registry and/or meets training requirements and has no record of a conviction or substantiated complaint of abuse, neglect, or misappropriation of member's funds.

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

Providers: Services are delivered by personal attendants hired by the consumer.

Qualifications: Personal attendants must be at least seventeen (17) years old and have the ability to assist with activities of daily living.

An attendant cannot be an individual who has a notation on the Maine Registry of Certified Nursing Assistants of (a) any criminal convictions, except for Class D and Class E convictions over ten (10) years old that did not involve as a victim of the act, a patient, client, or resident of a health care entity; or (b) any specific documented findings by the State Survey Agency of abuse, neglect or misappropriation of property of a resident, client or patient.

Adults with MR/A

Providers: Services are provided by a network of profit and non-profit providers including individual and group living arrangements, employment and day services.

Qualifications:

- Consultation services must be provided by appropriately licensed professionals
- Providers of direct personal support and habilitation services must be approved by DHHS and complete approved competency based training for direct services staff; or demonstrate competency in areas required by DHHS.
- Other providers must be approved by DHHS.

Provider Capacity and Capabilities

Data Source: Home Care Satisfaction Survey
2003
Older Adults n=266
Adults w/Disabilities n=151

- “Very efficient. Goes right to work and knows what needs to be done.”
- “She does exactly what needs to be done without my telling her.”
- “She always does what I want and need her to do.”
- “. . . shows great concern for my welfare i.e. safety/taking meds on time/always asks for my needs. Sees that right food supplies are on hand for when she’s not here.”
- “A very nice person who takes my problems as if they were her own.”

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver participants)



HCBS

Provider Capacity and Capabilities

Data Source: Participant Experience Survey 2004

Physically Disabled : Consumer Directed

Reasons for delay: low pay and compatibility
 "There are no benefits,"
 "They didn't understand duties involved," and
 "Lack of pay influenced the number of people who applied and the quality of the applicants."

Most common reasons for unhappy performance (n=50):
 Unhappy with how work got done (58%);
 Timeliness (44%);
 PA reliability (42%);
 PA attitude/personality (38%);
 PA ability to do tasks (16%);
 and theft by PA (8%).
 Other responses included boundaries sometimes ignored, bringing their personal life to work, and time management.

For those reporting unmet need (n=29), most common tasks unable to be done because no one was there to assist:
 Bathing (34%);
 Using toilet (28%);
 Personal hygiene (24%);
 Dressing (24%);
 Transferring (24%);
 Eating (17%)



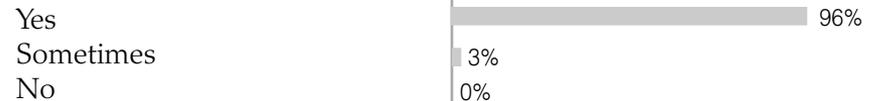
HCBS

Provider Capacity and Capabilities

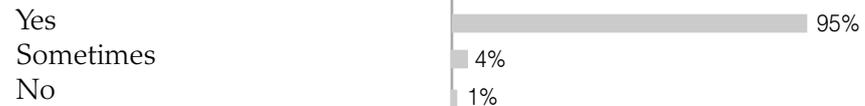
Data Source: Consumer Survey National Core Indicators 2004

Adults with MR/A

■ Staff is nice at job/day activity (n=224)



■ Home staff is nice (n=236)



Data Source: Family Survey National Core Indicators 2003

“These people [case workers] are always available and are very nice and willing to help in anyway they can. We are very pleased with the services we receive.”

“I am very impressed with her new caseworker who is working very hard to involve my daughter in more activities.”

“My son is very mildly retarded. He has a good support system except trying to get a hold of his caseworker. He always calls me back though but he never tells me of what services are available.

■ Service/support coordinator helps you get what you need (n=278)



■ Supports are available when needed (n=275)



Participant Safeguards

Desired Outcome: Participants are safe and secure in their homes and communities, taking into account their informed and expressed choices.

Program Design

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

- **Personal Emergency Response System** is a covered service under the waivers. This is an electronic device designed to let participants summon help in an emergency. It provides an additional level of safety to participants residing in the community.
- **Adult Protective Services** - The Bureau of Elder and Adult Services provides or arranges for services to protect incapacitated and dependent adults (age 18 and over) who are unable to protect themselves from abuse, neglect or exploitation. Professionals and direct care workers serving participants on the waivers are considered mandatory reporters.
- **Plan of Care Flexibility for Emergency/Acute Episodes** - Plans of care may be adjusted, on a temporary basis, in the event of an emergency or acute episode.

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

- **Personal Emergency Response System** is a covered service under the waivers. This is an electronic device designed to let participants summon help in an emergency. It provides an additional level of safety to participants residing in the community.
- **Adult Protective Services** - The Bureau of Elder and Adult Services provides or arranges for services to protect incapacitated and dependent adults (age 18 and over) who are unable to protect themselves from abuse, neglect or exploitation. Professionals and direct care workers serving participants on the waivers are considered mandatory reporters.
- **Plan of Care Flexibility for Emergency/Acute Episodes** - Plans of care may be adjusted, on a temporary basis, in the event of an emergency or acute episode.

Adults with MR/A

- **Crisis Team** - Each BDS region has a crisis team to provide assistance to individuals, families, guardians and providers. The team can provide outreach, support, consultation, education and in-home services. Each of the regional crisis teams also operates a residential service for short-term stabilization. Crisis services are available 24 hours a day and are available through a toll-free hotline.
- **Adult Protective Services** - The Department has a legislative mandate to assure the health and welfare of Maine citizens with MR. There is a compliment of adult protective workers in the state whose responsibility is to investigate and seek resolution to potentially harmful situations.
- **Reportable Events** - All individuals, staff of agencies, subcontractors and volunteers who provide residential, day, employment or other services to adults with mental retardation or autism are required to report events that have or may have an adverse impact upon the safety, welfare, rights or dignity of adults with mental retardation or autism.

Participant Safeguards

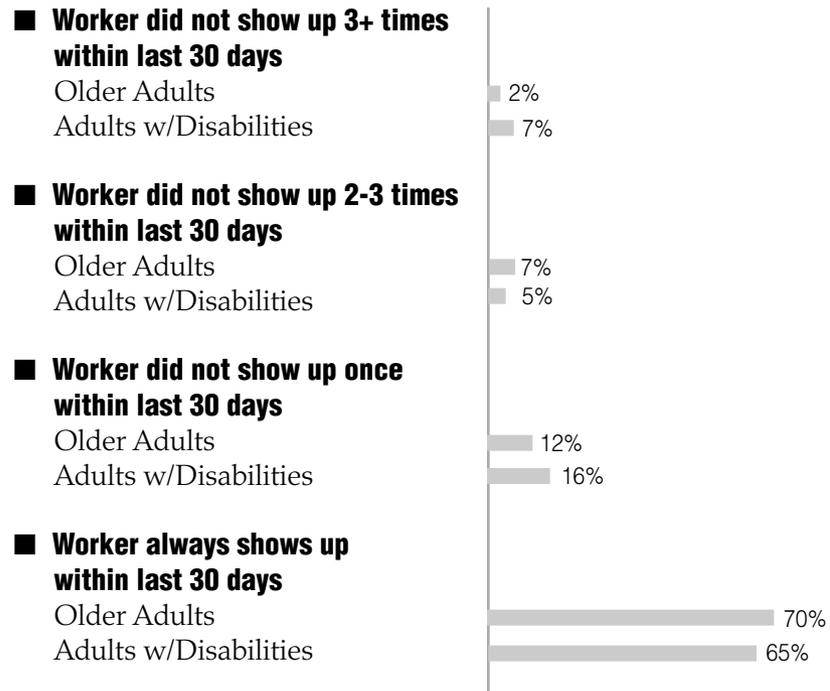
Data Source: Home Care Satisfaction Survey 2003
 Older Adults n=266
 Adults w/Disabilities n=1651

- “Undependable timing and showing up.”

- “The only problem is back up staff when workers can’t come.”

- “When the worker doesn’t show up in the a.m., the agency doesn’t have a replacement and doesn’t call to let me know until my family is gone for the day!”

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver participants)



HCBS

Participant Safeguards

Data Source: Participant Experience Survey 2004
n=177

"I have fallen from my chair and am unable to move myself from the chair at all. When my PA didn't show up I was in distress."

"At night time if no one is here I feel vulnerable."

"If I don't have anyone to put me to bed, I have to stay in the chair all night. I can have a diabetic reaction and there is not always someone here."

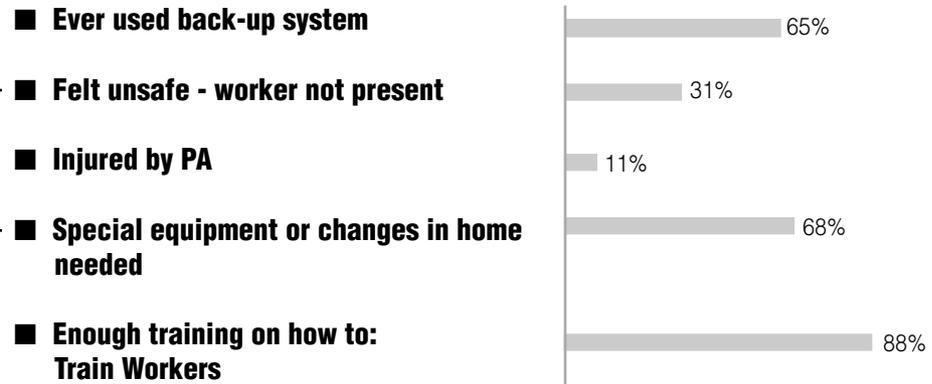
Two-thirds of those who requested equipment or changes received what they needed. Equipment mentioned: ramp, scooter, Hoyer lift, walk/roll in shower, wheelchair, bathroom modification, widen doorways.

Reason for not getting equipment or making changes: cost (mentioned most often), Housing Authority does not allow it, waiting list.

Additional training requested:

- "How to cope in emergency situations, what to do when no one is around."
- "Help on screening people, background checks, interviewing, telephone responses."
- "Tips on how to handle workers – some people don't know how to ask for what they need in a tactful way so they don't ask..."

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed



Participant Safeguards

MR Mortality Review:

Summary - September 12, 2005

Time Period: February 2003 through August 2005

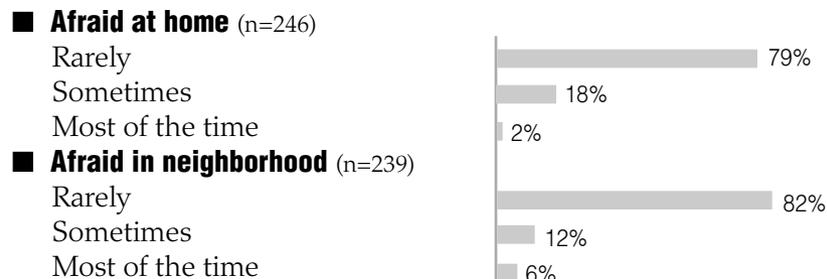
Total Deaths Reported: 101

Client Descriptive Profile:

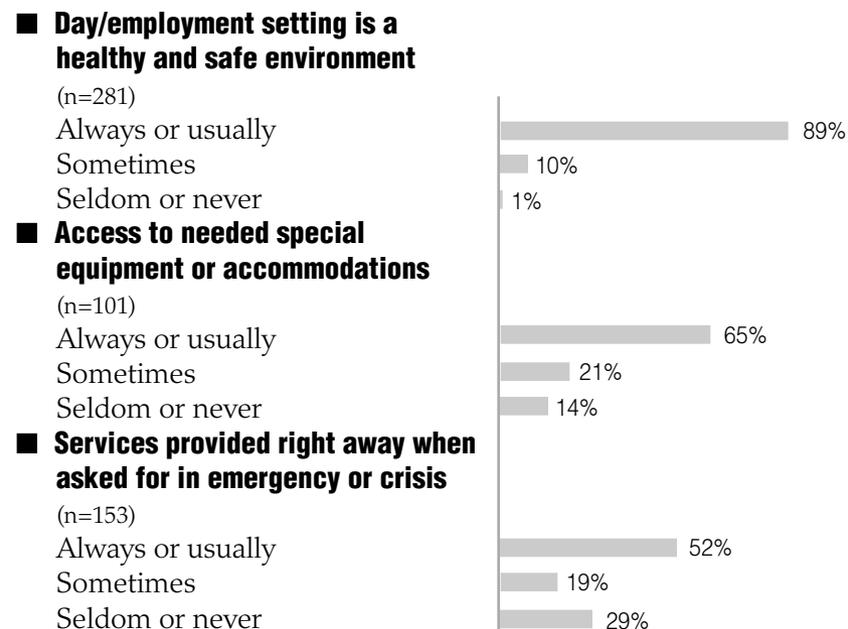
Profile	N	Percent
Gender		
Male	53	52%
Female	48	48%
Age at Death		
18 to 35 Years	9	9%
36 to 45 Years	14	14%
46 to 55 Years	15	15%
56 to 65 Years	24	24%
66 Years & Older	39	39%
<i>Average Age 60 Years</i>		
Guardianship Status		
Public	25	27%
Private	49	52%
Self	20	21%
Cause of Death		
Cancer	14	14%
Cardiac	24	24%
Respiratory	22	22%
Aspiration Related	11	11%
Accidental	3	3%
Infection/Sepsis	7	7%
Neurological	5	5%
Renal Failure	3	3%
Diabetes	1	1%
Other	11	11%

Adults with MR/A

Data Source: Consumer Survey National Core Indicators 2004



Data Source: Family Survey National Core Indicators 2004



Participant Rights and Responsibilities

Desired Outcome: Participants receive support to exercise their rights and accept personal responsibilities.

Program Design

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

Appeals and Grievances:

- Consumers, families and service providers who are dissatisfied with the assessment, or with their services, may appeal the Department’s decision.
- Goold or Elder Independence of Maine informs the consumer about appeal rights.
- The Department’s Administrative Hearings Unit hears appeals.

Advocate Services:

- Consumers who wish to appeal may receive assistance from the Long-term Care Ombudsman Program, Legal Services for the Elderly, or Pine Tree Legal.

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

Appeals and Grievances:

- Consumers, families and service providers who are dissatisfied with the assessment, or with their services, may appeal the Department’s decision.
- Goold or Alpha One informs the consumer about appeal rights.
- The Department’s Administrative Hearings Unit hears appeals.

Advocate Services:

- Consumers who wish to appeal may receive assistance from the Long-term Care Ombudsman Program, Legal Services for the Elderly, or Pine Tree Legal.

Adults with MR/A

Appeals and Grievances:

- Consumers, families and service providers who are dissatisfied with decisions made by the Department may appeal these decisions. There are a number of steps in an appeal process. This can include an appeal to the case manager, the Mental Retardation Team Leader and/or a formal hearing with administrative hearings unit. People who appeal may receive assistance from the Office of Advocacy.

Advocate Services:

- The Office of Advocacy advocates for those served by the Department in all matters pertaining to rights and dignity. Advocates are the investigators of allegations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation pertaining to adults with mental retardation in Maine.

Participant Rights and Responsibilities

Data Source: Home Care Satisfaction Survey
2004
Older Adults n=266
Adults w/Disabilities n=151

“I would like help to do the things I can’t do that is not on the list. Like washing curtains and windows and put curtain up also ironing and doing my mail. As these are the things they are not allowed to do.”

“If only this agency would allow workers to take their clients to Dr.’s appointments. Travel would be easier.”

“The help is appreciated by my wife and me. We would like if there was less turnover in help and have some say in who is to come to our house.”

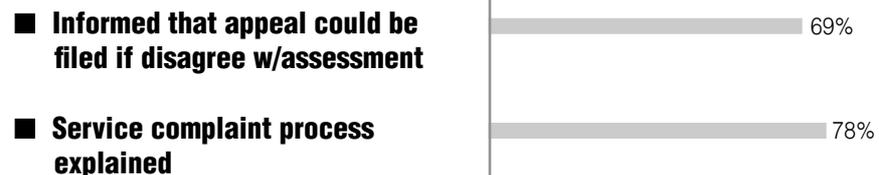
Data Source: Assessment Survey 2003
n=662

HCBS

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver participants)



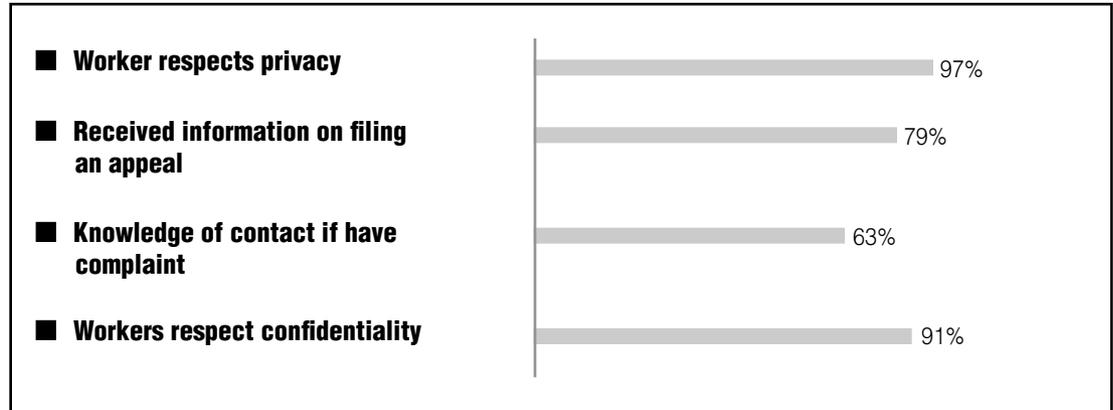
Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver and non-waiver)



Participant Rights and Responsibilities

Data Source: Participant Experience Survey 2004
n=177

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed



HCBS

Participant Rights and Responsibilities

Data Source: Consumer Survey National Core Indicators 2004

Data Source: Family Survey National Core Indicators 2004

“There needs to be more respite opportunities specific to individual needs and personal safety. I have to find respite providers myself and use family support funds to fill in gaps of care.”

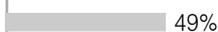
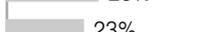
“It would be nice to get paid for taking care of my brother. Other people do because they are not related. I don’t know why they pay one person and not a relative. If the relative didn’t want the person then they would have to put him with someone else.”

Adults with MR/A

■ Be alone - satisfaction with amount of privacy (n=235)

Yes  90%

■ Choose agencies or providers (n=257)

Always or usually  49%
 Sometimes  28%
 Seldom or never  23%

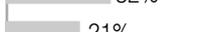
■ Choose support workers (n=248)

Always or usually  33%
 Sometimes  24%
 Seldom or never  43%

■ Have control and/or input on hiring and management of support workers (n=190)

Always or usually  27%
 Sometimes  19%
 Seldom or never  54%

■ Want to have control and/or input on hiring and management of support workers (n=185)

Always or usually  47%
 Sometimes  32%
 Seldom or never  21%

Participant Outcomes and Satisfaction

Desired Outcome: Participants are satisfied with their services and achieve desired outcomes.

Program Design

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

Participant Outcomes

Outcomes are monitored using a combination of administrative and other data.

- The MeCare long term care assessment system includes demographic, cognitive, behavioral and other assessment information for older adults and adults with disabilities. This data is available to examine individual cases and system level trends and reports on a regular and as needed basis.
- Claims data are available to examine health care utilizations.

Participant Satisfaction

- Consumers are surveyed every year to determine their satisfaction with services, satisfaction with case management services and the process used to assess their needs. These include both mail and in-person surveys.

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

Participant Outcomes

Outcomes are monitored using a combination of administrative and other data.

- Long term care assessment data for people who self-direct services is in the process of being entered into the MeCare automated LTC system. This will allow program managers to examine individual cases and trends on a regular and as needed basis.
- Claims data are available to examine the health care utilization of people who self-direct services.

Participant Satisfaction

Consumers were surveyed in 2004 to determine their satisfaction and experience directing their own services including satisfaction with training, hiring, and managing workers.

Adults with MR/A

Participant Outcomes

Outcomes are monitored using a combination of administrative and other data.

- The DHHS Enterprise Information System provides up-to-date and comprehensive information on incidents, restraint use, reportable events and case management notes.
- Claims data are available to examine health care utilization.

Participant Satisfaction

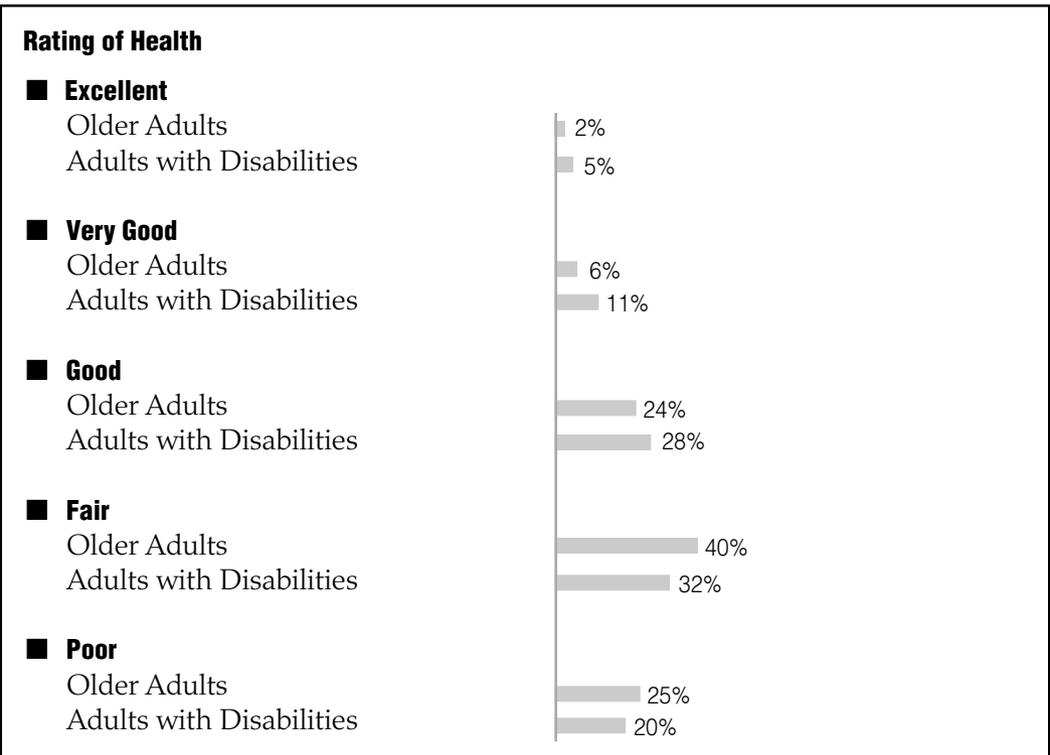
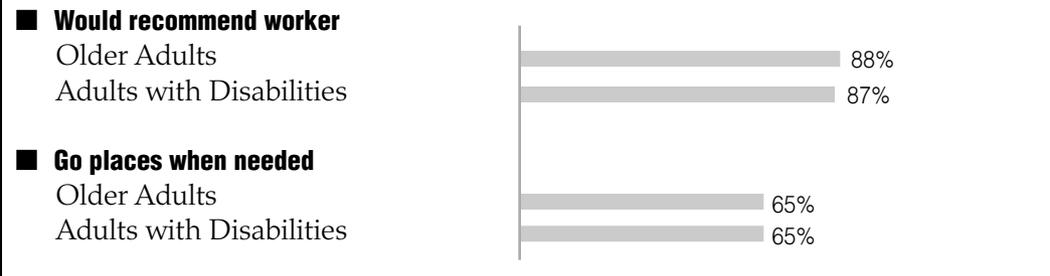
Consumers, family members and guardians are surveyed every year. One third of all consumers and/or family members and guardians are asked to complete a satisfaction survey each year.

HCBS

Participant Outcomes and Satisfaction

Data Source: Home Care Satisfaction Survey
2004
Older Adults n=266
Adults w/Disabilities n=151

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver participants)

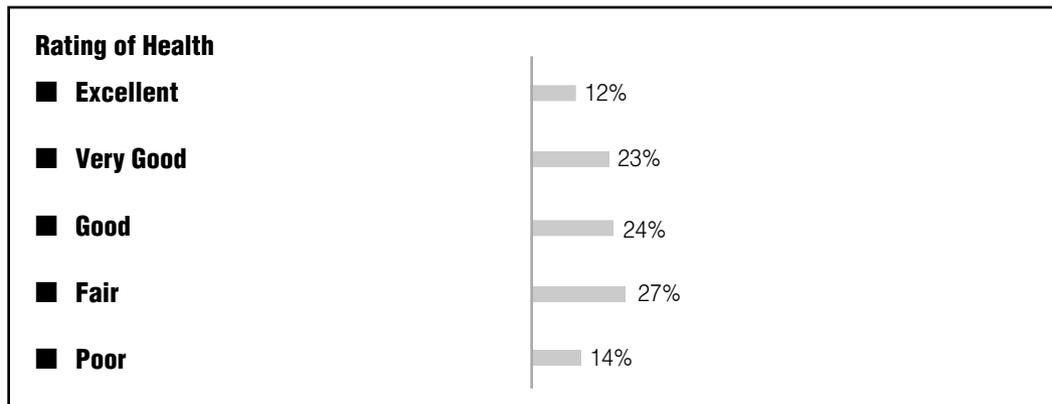


HCBS

Participant Outcomes and Satisfaction

Data Source: Participant Experience Survey
2004
n=177

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed



HCBS

Participant Outcomes and Satisfaction

Data Source: Consumer Survey National Core Indicators 2004

83% say they can see their friends when they want to see them. (n=234)

90% report they have a best friend or someone they are really close to. (n=225)

77% report they have friends they like to talk to or do things with that are not staff or family. (n=255)

Health Care

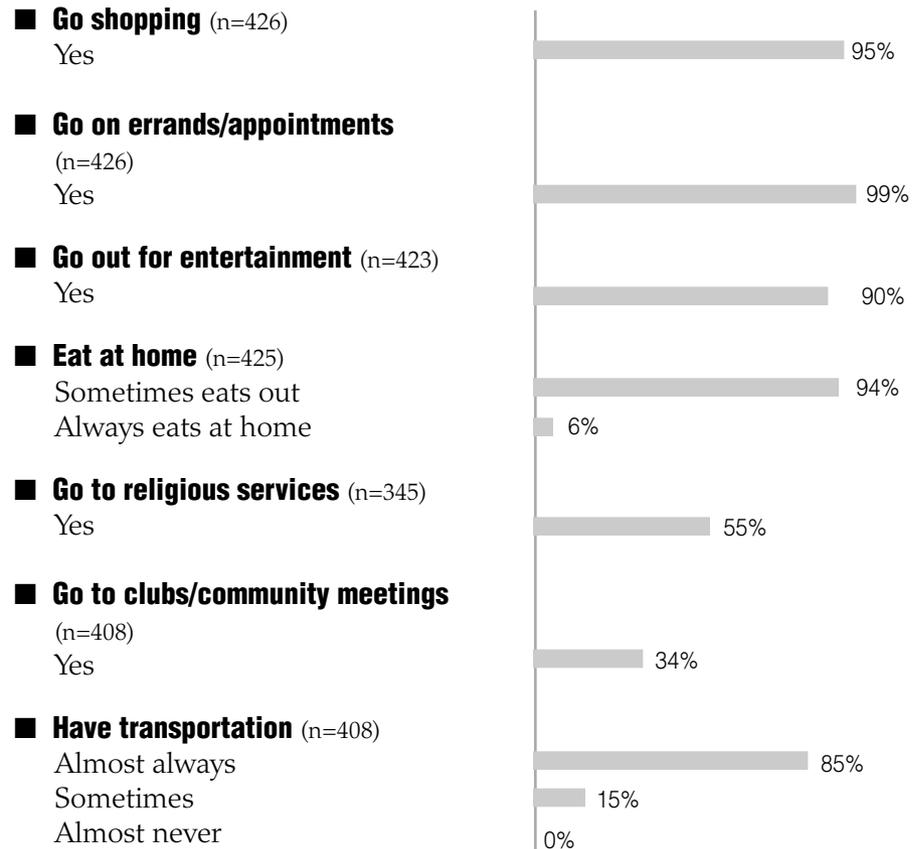
94% Had physical exam in last year

46% Women had gyn exam in past year

58% Had routine dental exam in last 6 months

Data Source: Family Survey National Core Indicators 2004

Adults with MR/A



System Performance

Desired Outcome: The system supports participants efficiently and effectively and constantly strives to improve quality.

Program Design: A number of methods are used to assess, review, evaluate and analyze the performance of the HCBS programs for older adults and adults with disabilities.

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

Discovery Methods

Surveys: Consumer surveys

Case Management Activities: contacts with individuals

In-home Visits: Visits to a sample of waiver participants by state QA/QI staff.

Record Reviews: Review of plans of care and services delivered.

Reports from the MeCare LTC System:

Common condition/diagnosis, ADL and IADL needs, advance directives, case mix of participants, cognitive and behavioral conditions, community support available, living arrangements, level of care

Review of other operations data:

Complaint/call log, hearings and appeals, APS data, claims data, waiting list reviews, case conferences

Contract Reviews: Contract compliance

Financial Record Reviews: Review of billings and time sheets.

Key Informant Meetings: Monthly systems meeting (DHHS, EIM and GHS, Alpha One), meetings with stakeholder groups.

Quality Improvement/Quality Assurance:

Quality improvement opportunities are identified on an ongoing basis. Examples of quality improvement projects include: falls prevention and reduction pilot project; use of pharmacy consultant for medication review; collaborative project with the Bureau of Medical Services and the Bureau of Health to address the needs of people with diabetes.

Physically Disabled: Consumer Directed

Discovery Methods

Surveys: Consumer surveys

Case Management Activities: Contacts with individuals

In-home Visits: Visits to a sample of waiver participants by state QA/QI staff

Record Reviews: Desk reviews of records

Review of other operations data:

complaint/call log, hearings and appeals, APS data, claims data, waiting list reviews, case conferences

Contract Reviews: Contract compliance

Financial Record Reviews: Review of billings and time sheets.

Key Informant Meetings: Monthly systems meeting (DHHS, EIM and GHS, Alpha One), meetings with stakeholder groups.

Adults with MR/A

Discovery Methods

Surveys: Consumer, family guardian surveys and provider surveys

Case Management Activities: Contacts with individuals

Record Reviews: Review of plans of care

Management Reports from the EIS System including:

- reportable events
- restraint use
- deaths
- case management notes
- resolution of complaints and issues
- adult protective services
- preventive health services

Review of other operations data:

- hearings and appeals
- claims data
- waiting lists

Contract Reviews

Financial Record Reviews

Key Informant Meetings:

- MR Management Team meetings
- Regional (lead) Team meetings with providers
- Meetings with stakeholder groups
- Mortality review meetings

Quality Improvement/Quality Assurance:

The QI/QA System for Adult MR Services provides ongoing review of activities, ensuring health and safety, reviewing individual unmet needs, measuring people's involvement in their communities and monitoring the many requirements which govern the Department's delivery of services.

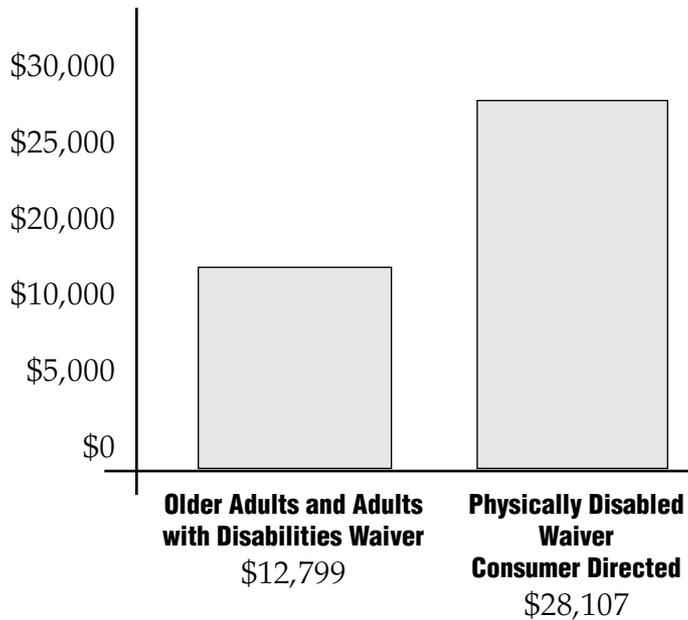
Collaborative Quality Improvement Project: The MR Program and the Elderly and Disabled Program (BEAS) are working on a collaborative project to leverage the Enterprise Information System to include incident/issue reporting and management function for Older Adults and Adults with Physical Disabilities, including those who self-direct services.

Maine Elder Death Analysis Review Team (MRAD): The MRAD was formed in 2003 under the auspices of the Attorney General, and is charged with examining deaths and cases of serious bodily injury associated with suspected abuse or neglect of elderly and vulnerable adults. The team includes representatives from law enforcement, prosecutors, victim advocates, licensing and certification, adult protective services and mental health meets monthly to review selected cases and to identify whether systems whose responsibility is to protect victims were sufficient or need improvement. MEDART seeks to foster system change that will improve the response to victims and prevent similar outcomes in the future.

System Performance

Data Source: Administrative Claims
FY 2004

Waiver Cost Per Person

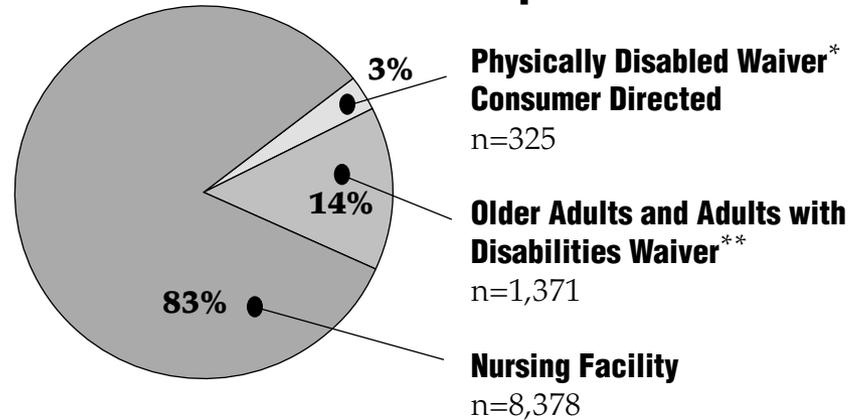


* Services for physically disabled-consumer directed waiver participants includes personal care services, emergency response and skills training.

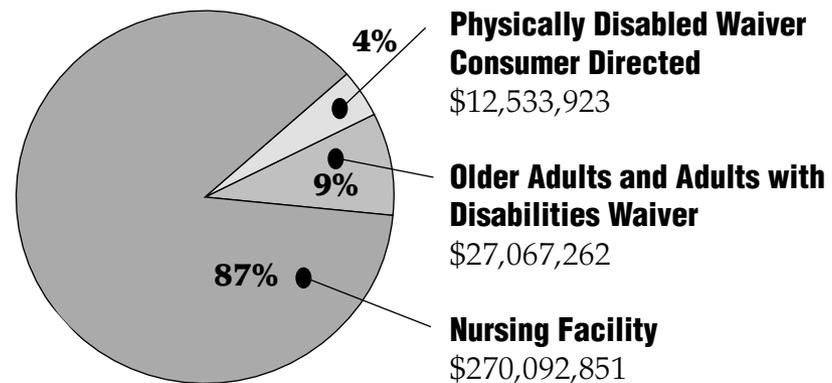
** Services for older adults and adults with disabilities include personal care, day health, transportation, homemaker, emergency response, home health, respite, environmental modifications, case management, independent living assessment.

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (including Consumer Directed Services)

Population Size



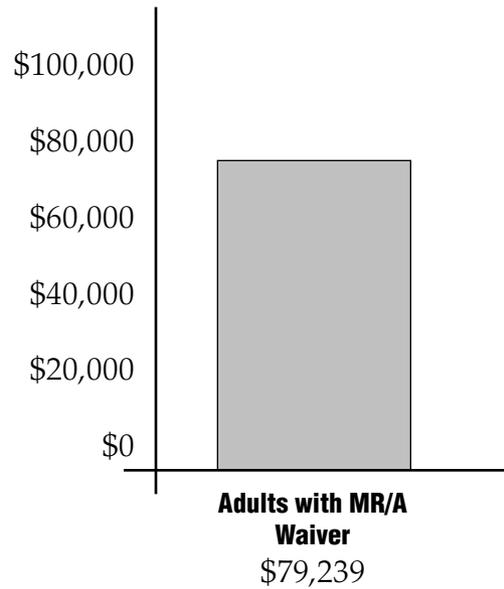
Costs (waiver and all other)



System Performance

Data Source: Administrative Claims
FY 2004

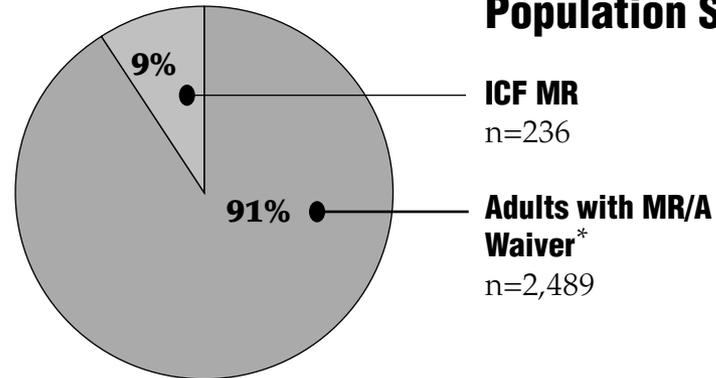
Waiver Cost Per Person



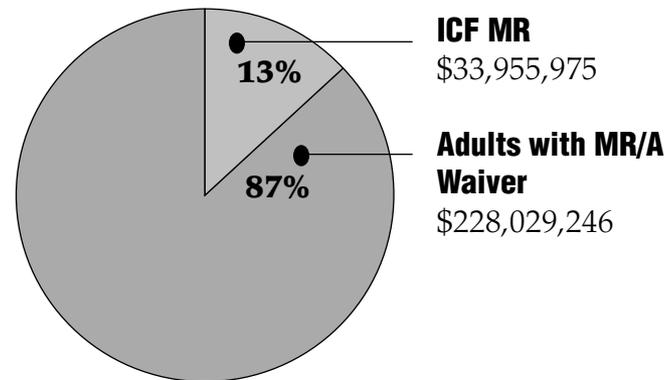
* MR waiver services include habilitation services, consultation, respite, transportation, adaptive aids, communication services, crisis intervention, environmental modification, personal support, supported employment and maintenance therapy.

Adults with MR/A

Population Size



Costs (waiver and all other)

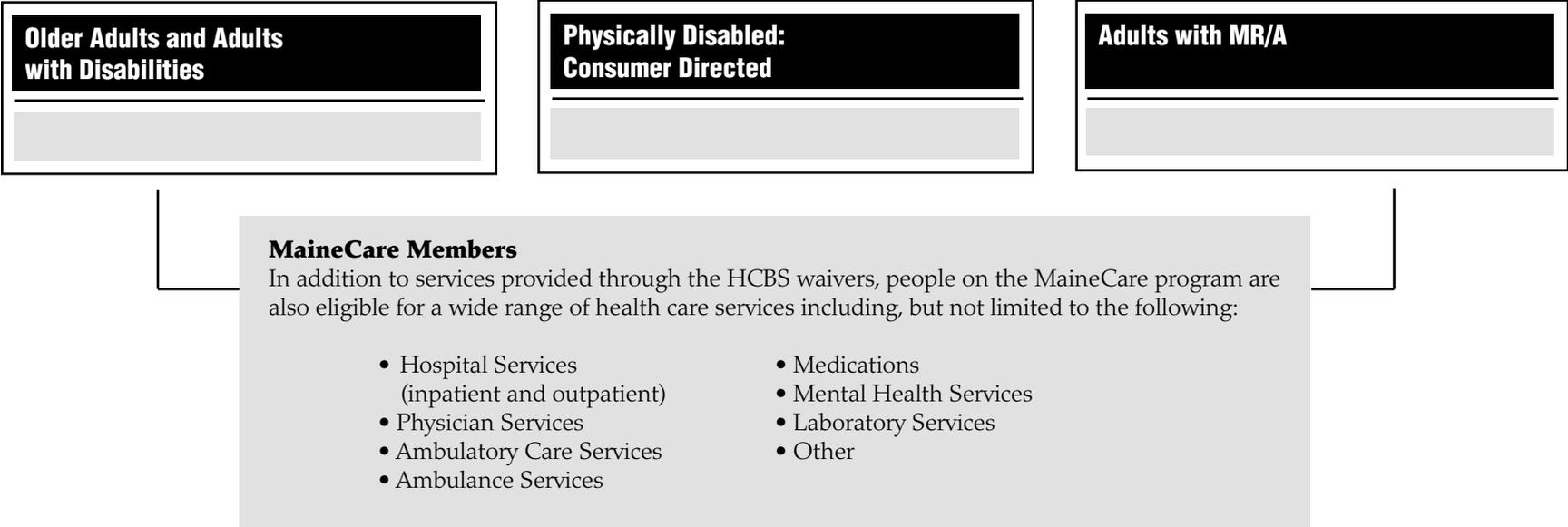


HCBS

Health Care Utilization

Desired Outcome: Participants are provided appropriate health care services.

Program Design



HCBS

Health Care Utilization / Hospital Use

Data Source: Medicaid and Medicare Claims 2000

■ Most common diagnosis for ER visits (not resulting in an inpatient stay)

Older Adults

- Urinary Tract Infection
- Constipation
- Congestive Heart Failure
- Chest Pain

Adults w/Disabilities

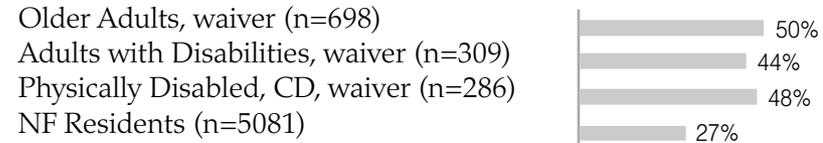
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Other Convulsions
- Urinary Tract Infection
- Chest Pain

Physically Disabled - CD

- Urinary Tract Infection
- Migraine
- Lumbago
- Bronchitis

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver and non-waiver)

■ Percentage of people with at least 1 Emergency Room (ER) visit (not resulting in an inpatient stay)



■ For those people with at least one ER visit (not resulting in inpatient stay)

Average number of ER visits/year

Older Adults, waiver (n=348)	2.3
Adults with Disabilities, waiver (n=135)	2.9
Physically Disabled, CD, waiver (n=137)	3.0
NF Residents (n=1386)	1.8

Does not include ER visits that result in mental health inpatient or outpatient visits.

HCBS

Health Care Utilization / Hospital Use

Data Source: Medicaid and Medicare Claims 2000

Potentially avoidable hospitalization conditions include:

- asthma
- pneumonia
- kidney and urinary tract infections
- severe nose and throat infections
- gastroenteritis
- congestive heart failure

Pneumonia, kidney and UTI infections, and congestive heart failure had the highest admission rates.

MaineCare managed care members reported an average rate of 0.60% admissions for these conditions.

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

■ Avoidable Hospitalizations (AH)	Percent with AH in year
Older Adults (n=698)	16%
Adults with Disabilities (n=309)	8%
Physically Disabled, CD (n=286)	12%
NF Residents (n=5081)	9%

Health Care Utilization / Hospital Use

Data Source: Medicaid and Medicare Claims 2000

■ **Most common diagnosis for ER visits (not resulting in inpatient stay)**

Persons with MR/A, waiver

- Other Convulsions
- Urinary Tract Infection
- Chest Pain

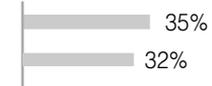
ICF MR

- Other Convulsions
- Pneumonia

Adults with MR/A (waiver and non-waiver)

■ **Percent of people with at least one Emergency Room (ER) visit (not resulting in inpatient stay)**

Adults with MR/A, waiver (n=1792)
ICF MR (n=273)



■ **For those with at least one ER visit**

Average number of ER visits/year (not resulting in inpatient stay)

Adults with MR/A, waiver (n=622)
ICF MR (n=88)

2.4
1.7

Health Care Utilization / Hospital Use

Data Source: Medicaid and Medicare Claims 2000

Adults with MR/A, waiver, n=1,792
ICF MR, n=273

Potentially avoidable hospitalization conditions include:

- asthma
- pneumonia
- kidney and urinary tract infections
- severe nose and throat infections
- gastroenteritis
- congestive heart failure

Pneumonia, kidney and UTI infections, and congestive heart failure had the highest admission rates.

MaineCare managed care members reported an average of 0.60 avoidable hospitalizations per 100 members in 2003.

Adults with MR/A (waiver and non-waiver)

■ Avoidable Hospitalizations (AH)	Percent with AH in year
Adults with MR/A (n=1792)	1%
ICF MR (n=273)	6%

HCBS

Health Care Utilization / Prevention and Screening

Data Source: Medicare and Medicaid Claims 2000

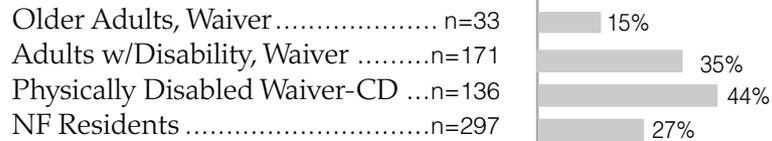
This report uses performance indicators that are similar to the HEDIS measures.

Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set (HEDIS) is a standardized measurement set that uses consistent performance indicators which can be compared with other sectors of MaineCare as well as other states.

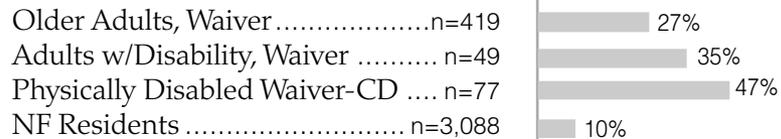
In Maine we used specified HEDIS algorithms to calculate our rates using claims data submitted by providers, dependent on the accuracy of provider's coding.

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver and non-waiver)

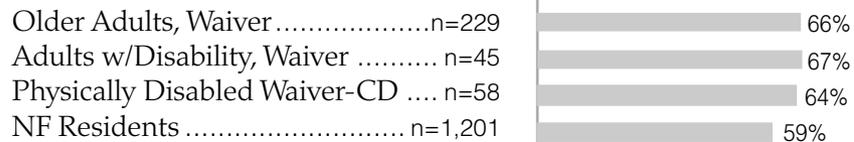
■ Cervical Cancer Screening in last 2 years (ages 21-64)



■ Breast Cancer Screening in last year (ages 52+)



■ Diabetes - Hemoglobin Test in last year (ages 18+)



HCBS

Health Care Utilization / Prevention and Screening

Data Source: Medicare and Medicaid Claims
2000

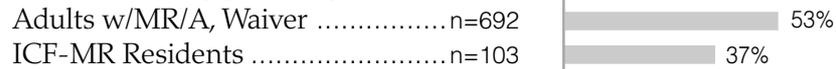
This report uses similar performance indicators to the HEDIS measures.

Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set (HEDIS) is a standardized measurement set that uses consistent performance indicators which can be compared with other sectors of MaineCare as well as other states.

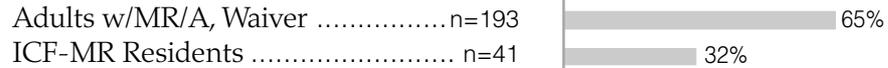
In Maine we used HEDIS algorithms to calculate rates using claims data submitted by providers. This calculation is dependent on the accuracy of provider's coding.

Adults with MR/A (waiver and non-waiver)

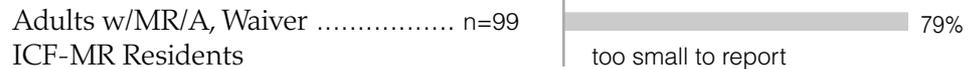
■ Cervical Cancer Screening in last 2 years (ages 21-64)



■ Breast Cancer Screening in last year (ages 52+)



■ Diabetes HbA1c Test in last year (ages 18+)



HCBS

Health Care Utilization / Use of Medications

Data Source: Medicaid Claims 2003

The Beers' medications list is a widely used consensus criteria for potentially inappropriate medication use in older adults. Some of the most common potentially inappropriate medications used in 2003 include:

- Amitriptyline (Elavil) - antidepressant
- Fluoxetine (Prozac) - antidepressant
- Nitrofurantoin (Macrochantin) - antibiotic for UTI
- Promethazine (Phenergan) - antihistamine

Psychotropic medication classes include:

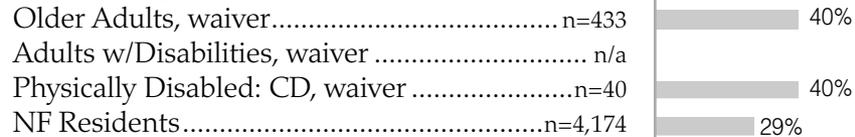
- antianxiety agents
- antidepressants
- antipsychotic hypnotics
- stimulants
- miscellaneous psychotherapeutics

The top three psychotropic medications used in 2003 were:

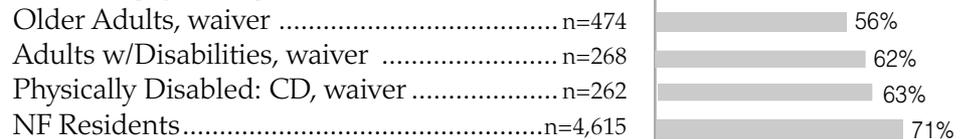
- Ativan (Lorazepam) - antianxiety
- Paroxetine (Paxil) - antidepressant
- Zoloft (Sertraline) - antidepressant

Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (waiver and non-waiver)

■ Use of potentially inappropriate medication for people age 65+



■ Use of psychotropic medications



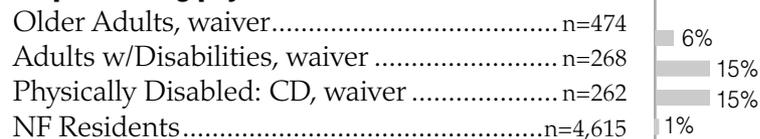
■ Use of 9 or more medications



■ Use of 15 or more medications



■ Use of 5 or more prescribing physicians



HCBS

Health Care Utilization / Use of Medications

Data Source: Medicaid Claims 2003

The Beers' medications list is a widely used consensus criteria for potentially inappropriate medication use in older adults. Some of the most common potentially inappropriate medications used in 2003 include:

- (Mellaril) - antipsychotic
- Diazepam (Valium) - antianxiety
- Fluoxetine (Prozac) - antidepressant

Psychotropic medication classes include antianxiety agents, antidepressants, antipsychotic hypnotics, stimulants, miscellaneous psychotherapeutics.

The top two psychotropic medications used in 2003 were:

- Risperdal (Risperidone) - antipsychotic
- Zoloft (Sertraline) - antidepressant

Adults with MR/A

■ Use of potentially inappropriate medication for people age 65+

Adults with MR/A, waiver n=168	38%
ICF MR n=21	33%

■ Use of psychotropic medications

Adults with MR/A, waiver n=2,267	63%
ICF MR n=216	65%

■ Use of 9 or more medications

Adults with MR/A, waiver n=2,267	11%
ICF MR n=216	14%

■ Use of 15 or more medications

Adults with MR/A, waiver n=2,267	1%
ICF MR n=216	1%

■ Use of 5 or more prescribing physicians

Adults with MR/A, waiver n=2,267	5%
ICF MR n=216	4%

HCBS