



State Strategies to Reduce Costs and Provide Quality Care for Older Adults and People with Disabilities

May 26, 2021

- Long-Term Services and Supports: Comparable Data Across the States
- Highlighting State Action: Wisconsin and Washington
- Q&A / Discussion



Plan for Today's Webinar

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2020 Long-Term Services and Supports State Scorecard: How Are States Doing from a Pre-COVID Viewpoint?

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Overall Ranking Highlights

#1: Minnesota

#2: Washington

#3: Wisconsin

How about your state?



HIGH-PERFORMING LTSS SYSTEM

Five dimensions of LTSS performance, constructed from 26 individual indicators.

AFFORDABILITY AND ACCESS

1. Nursing Home Cost
2. Home Care Cost
3. Long-Term Care Insurance
4. Low-Income PWD with Medicaid
5. PWD with Medicaid LTSS
6. ADRC/NWD Functions



CHOICE OF SETTING AND PROVIDER

1. Medicaid LTSS Balance: Spending
2. Medicaid LTSS Balance: Users
3. Self-Direction
4. Home Health Aide Supply
5. Assisted Living Supply
6. Adult Day Services Supply
7. Subsidized Housing Opportunities



QUALITY OF LIFE AND QUALITY OF CARE

1. PWD Rate of Employment
2. Nursing Home Residents with Pressure Sores
3. Nursing Home Antipsychotic Use
4. HCBS Quality Benchmarking



SUPPORT FOR FAMILY CAREGIVERS*

1. Supporting Working Family Caregivers
2. Person- and Family-Centered Care
3. Nurse Delegation and Scope of Practice
4. Transportation Policies



EFFECTIVE TRANSITIONS

1. Nursing Home Residents with Low Care Needs
2. Home Health Hospital Admissions
3. Nursing Home Hospital Admissions
4. Burdensome Transitions
5. Successful Discharge to Community



ADRC/NWD - Aging and Disability Resource Center/No Wrong Door

HCBS - Home- and Community-Based Services

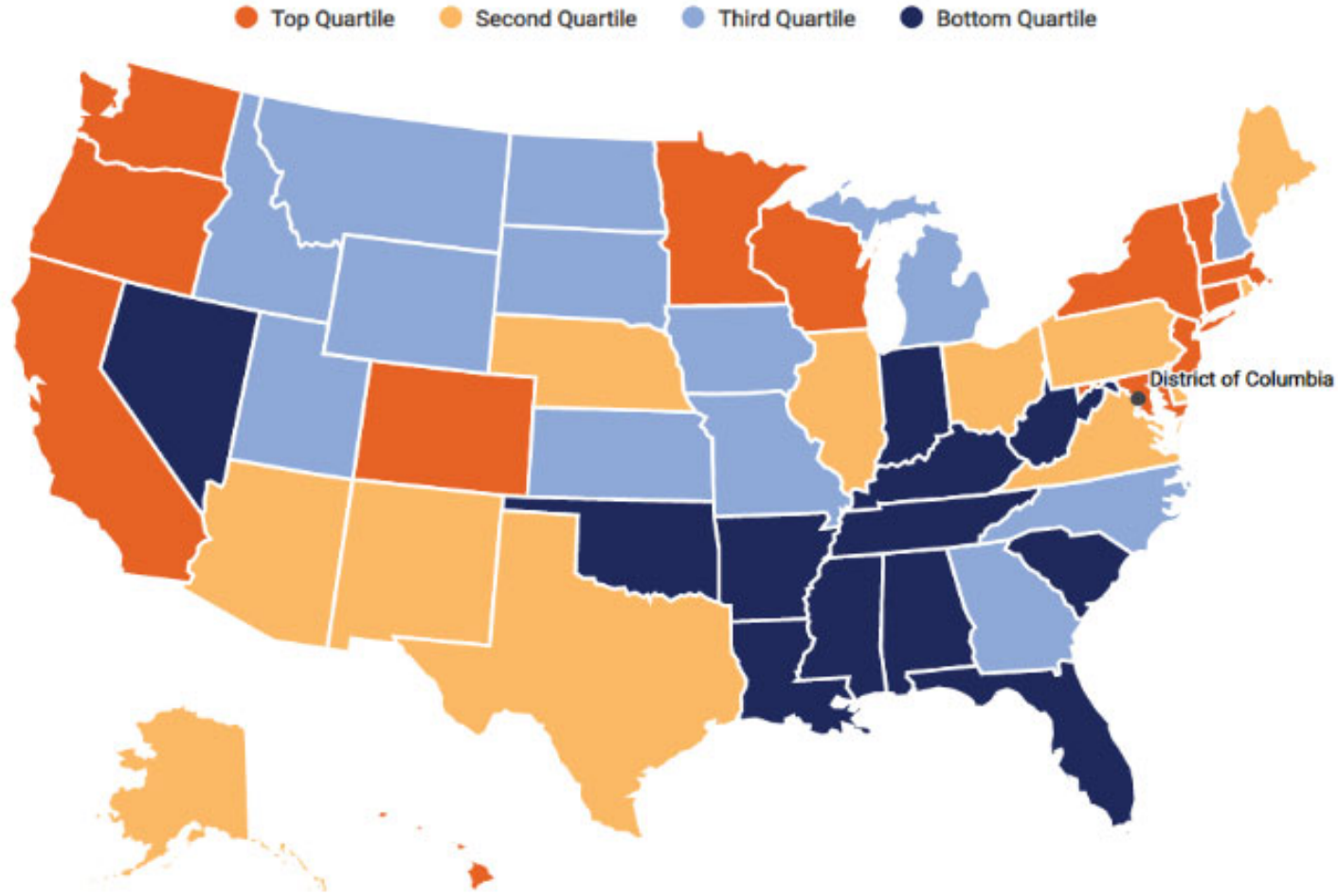
LTSS - Long-Term Services and Supports

PWD - People with Disabilities

*Support for Family Caregivers Dimension evaluated across 12 individual policies, which are grouped into four broad categories.

Source: Long-Term Services and Supports State Scorecard, 2020.

Overall State Ranking, 2020



Key Reflections and Considerations

- High performance possible via care transformation
 - Consider leveraging [Medicaid home- and community-based services flexibilities](#) and [funding](#)
 - Consider creating a [Master Plan for Aging](#)
- Better data needed to evaluate quality
 - Consider adopting National Committee for Quality Assurance measures for [person-reported outcomes](#) and [LTSS](#)

Our Vision:

A society where older adults can access health and supportive services of their choosing to meet their needs.

Our Mission:

To advance a coordinated and easily navigated system of high-quality services for older adults that preserve dignity and independence.



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Agenda

- History of Wisconsin's Medicaid long-term care (LTC)
- Key Components of the Wisconsin Model
- Ensuring Quality in home and community based services (HCBS)
- Outcomes
- Answers to your questions

History of HCBS in Wisconsin

1981: State-funded Community Options Program

1983: Community Integration Program waiver for developmentally disabled

1985: Community Options Program waiver for elders and physically disabled

1995: Waiver for brain-injured

1995: Concerns about access, complexity and institutional bias

1996-1998: Stakeholder process involving hundreds of consumers, family members, providers, and advocates

1995: Proposed a new Medicaid managed long-term care model

2000: First contract with 5 county-based MCOs serving about 2,200 former waiver participants

2004: Awarded CMS Systems Change Grant

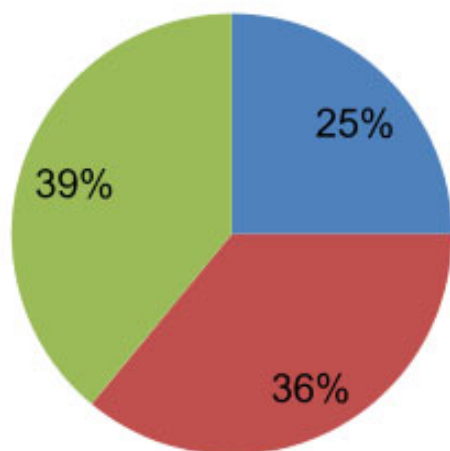
2005: Independent assessment finds that FC is cost effective by focus on prevention and less reliance on institutional care

2006-18: Remaining counties added

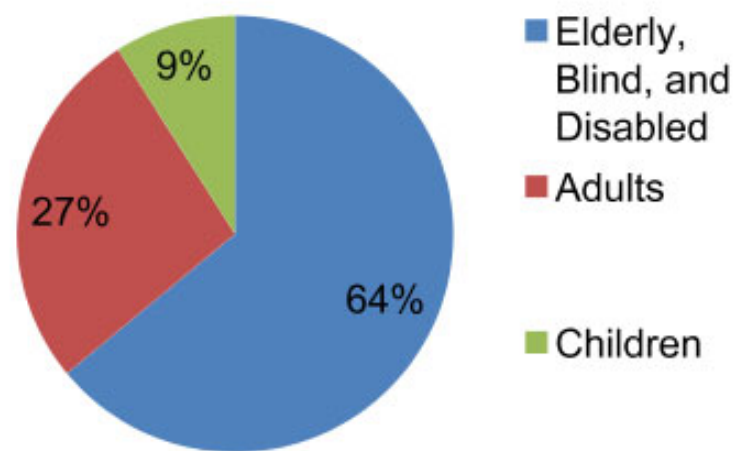
2021: Full entitlement!

Wisconsin Medicaid: Current State

Caseload by eligibility group



General Purpose Revenue (GPR) by eligibility group



- Elderly, Blind, and Disabled
- Adults
- Children

Key Components of the Wisconsin Model

- Robust Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of option and enrollment counseling.
- Counties that converted to State System no longer contributed to HCBS costs, county contribution frozen at 22% or 2006 levels.
- 3 years after conversion to State System, counties guaranteed entitlement.
- Person-centered HCBS for elderly, physically disabled and Intellectually and developmentally disabled.

Key Components of the Wisconsin Model (cont.)

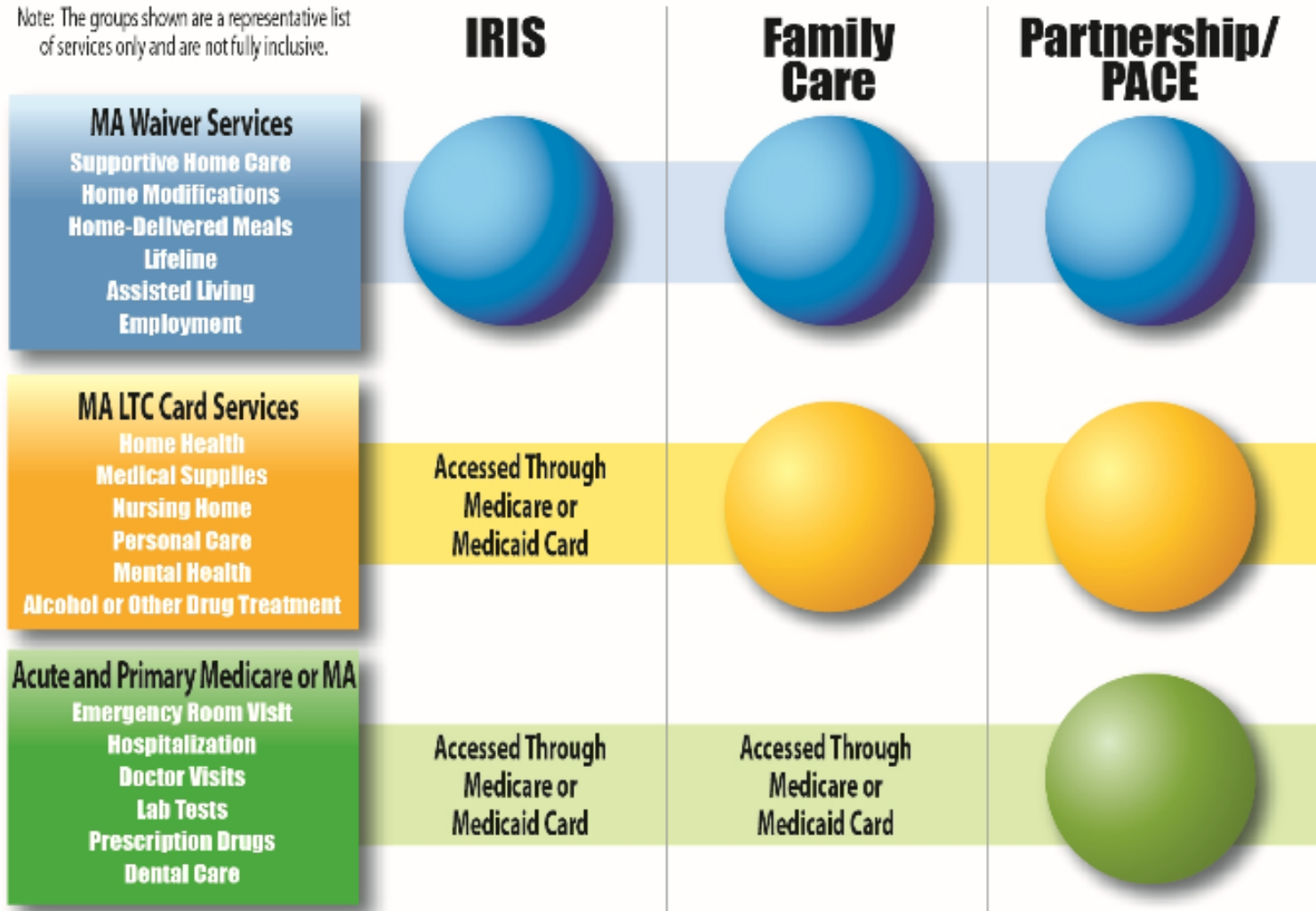
- Robust RFP and certification process for selection of MCOs.
- Knowledgeable Managed care organizations that focus on providing home and community based services.
- Comprehensive HCBS services including assisted living and 41 other services.
- Commitment to reinvest savings to serve more people and reach entitlement.

Key Components of the Wisconsin Model (cont.)

- Strong state organizational support structure including a division of long term care, member quality specialists, and contract monitors.
- Stakeholder buy-in with numerous engagement opportunities and a strong collaborative Secretary appointed Long Term Care Council.

Examples of Wisconsin's LTC Program Services

Note: The groups shown are a representative list of services only and are not fully inclusive.



Medicaid HCBS Services

- Adaptive Aids
- Adult Day Care Services
- Adult Residential Care-1-2 bed Adult Family Homes
- Adult Residential Care-3-4 Adult Family Homes
- Adult Residential Care-Community-Based Residential Facilities
- Adult Residential Care-Residential Care Apartment Complexes
- Assistive Technology/ Communication Aid
- Care Management
- Community Transportation 2*
- Consultative Clinical & Therapeutic Services for Caregivers
- Consumer Directed Supports Broker
- Consumer Education & Training
- Counseling & Therapeutic Resources
- Environmental Accessibility Adaptations (home modifications)
- Financial Management Services
- Fiscal Employment Agent Services*
- Daily Living Skills Training
- Day Habilitation Services
- Home Delivered Meals
- Home Modification*
- Housing Counseling
- Individual Directed Goods & Services*
- Interpreter Services*
- IRIS Consultant Services*
- Live-in Caregiver*
- Nursing Services*
- Personal Emergency Response System

Medicaid HCBS Services (continued)

- Prevocational Services
- Relocation Services
- Residential Services – Other*
- Respite
- Self-Directed Personal Care
- Skilled Nursing Services RN/LPN
- Specialized Medical Equipment & Supplies
- Support Broker Services*
- Supported Employment – Individual Employment Support
- Supported Employment – Small Group Employment Support
- Supportive Home Care
- Training Services for Unpaid Caregivers
- Transportation – Community Transportation
- Transportation – Other Transportation
- Vehicle Modifications*
- Vocational Futures Planning & Support

Total Cost and Enrollment

Population By Program Jan 2021

Family Care	50,467	65.7%
PACE	468	0.6%
Partnership	3,699	4.8%
IRIS	22,218	28.9%
Total	76,852	100.0%

Cost By Program SFY21

Family Care	2,190,310,767
PACE Partnership	216,185,115
IRIS	803,568,214
Total	3,210,064,096

Population By Group Jan 2021

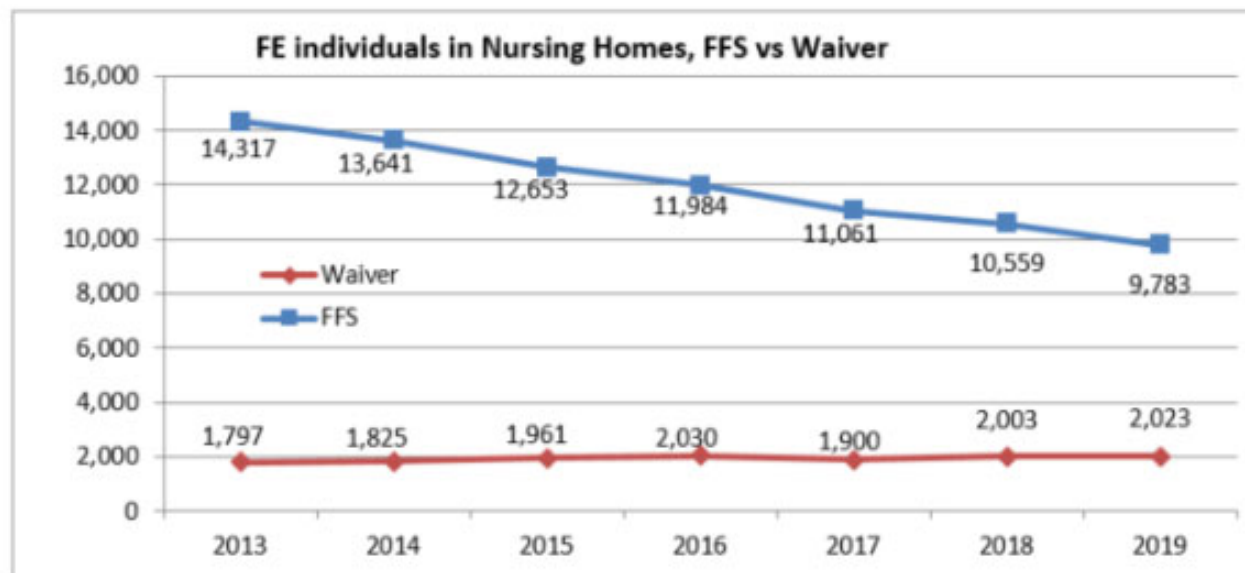
DD	33,726	43.9%
FE	24,900	32.4%
PD	18,226	23.7%
Total	76,852	100.0%

% State GPR

41.5%

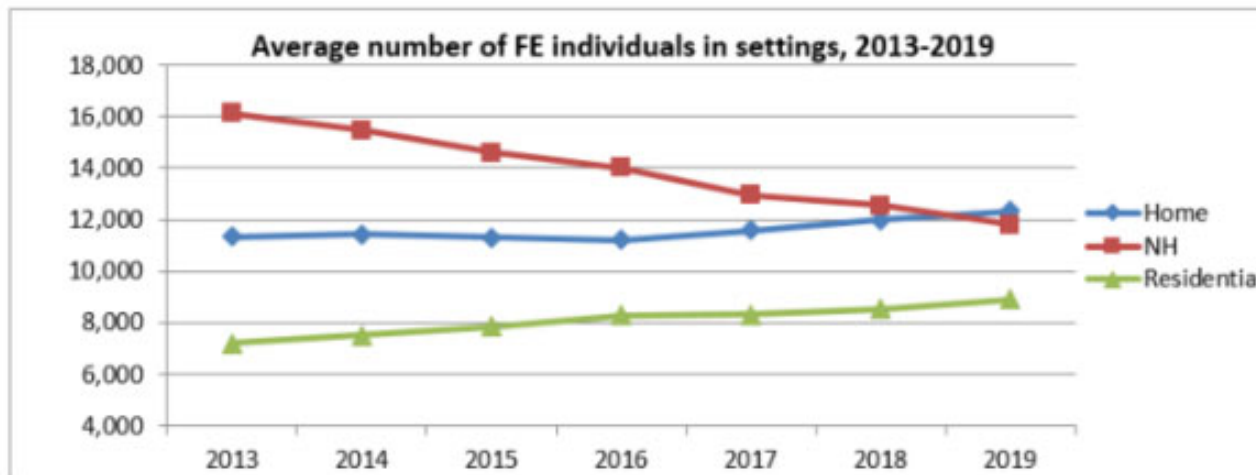
2019 average annual cost per FE Long-Term Care enrollee

Type of Residence	Annual average cost per enrollee
Home	\$21,538
Residential	\$44,713
Nursing Home	\$57,384
AVERAGE COST PER ENROLLEE	\$40,603

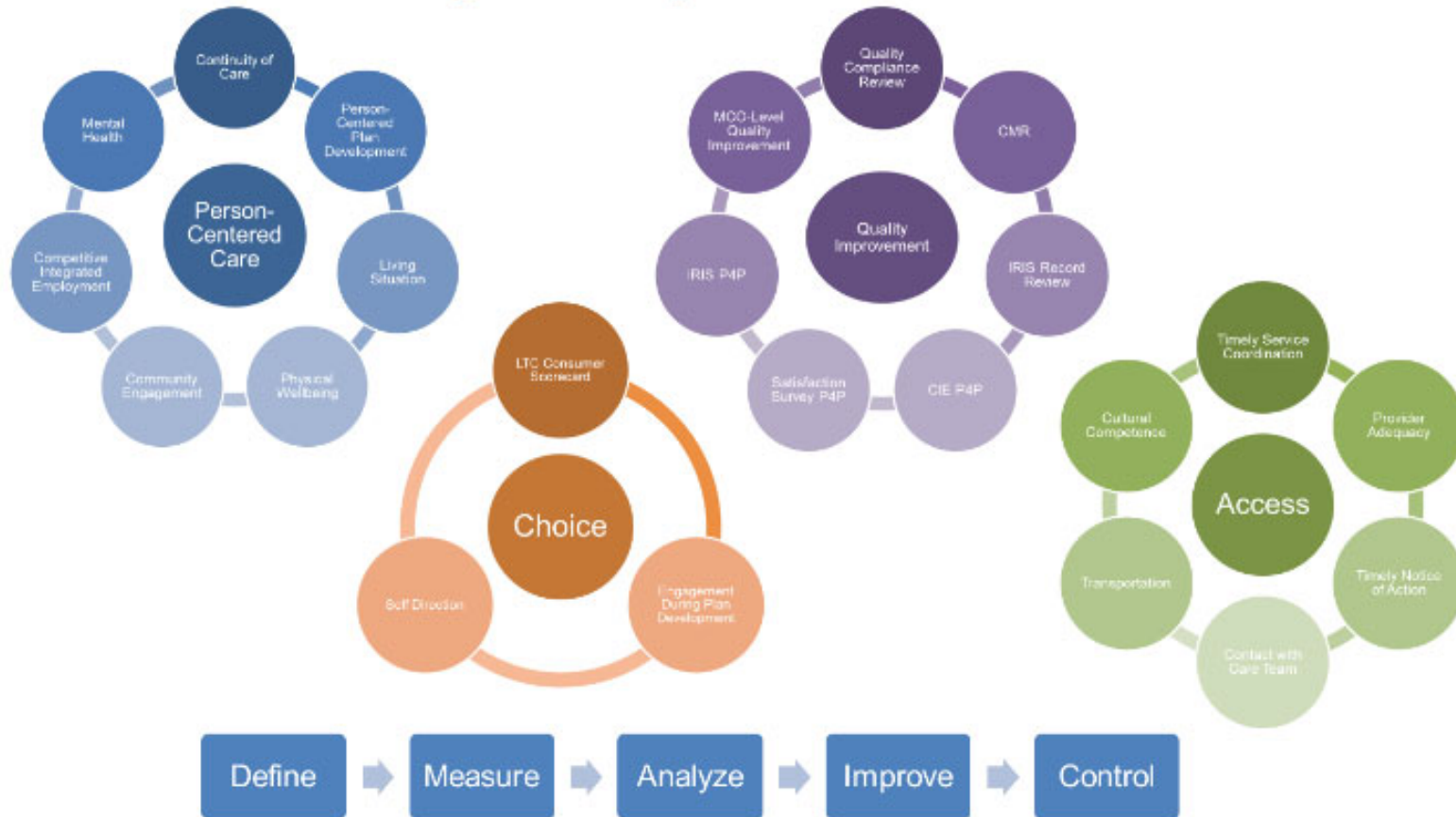


Average Frail Elderly (FE) LTC enrollees per day

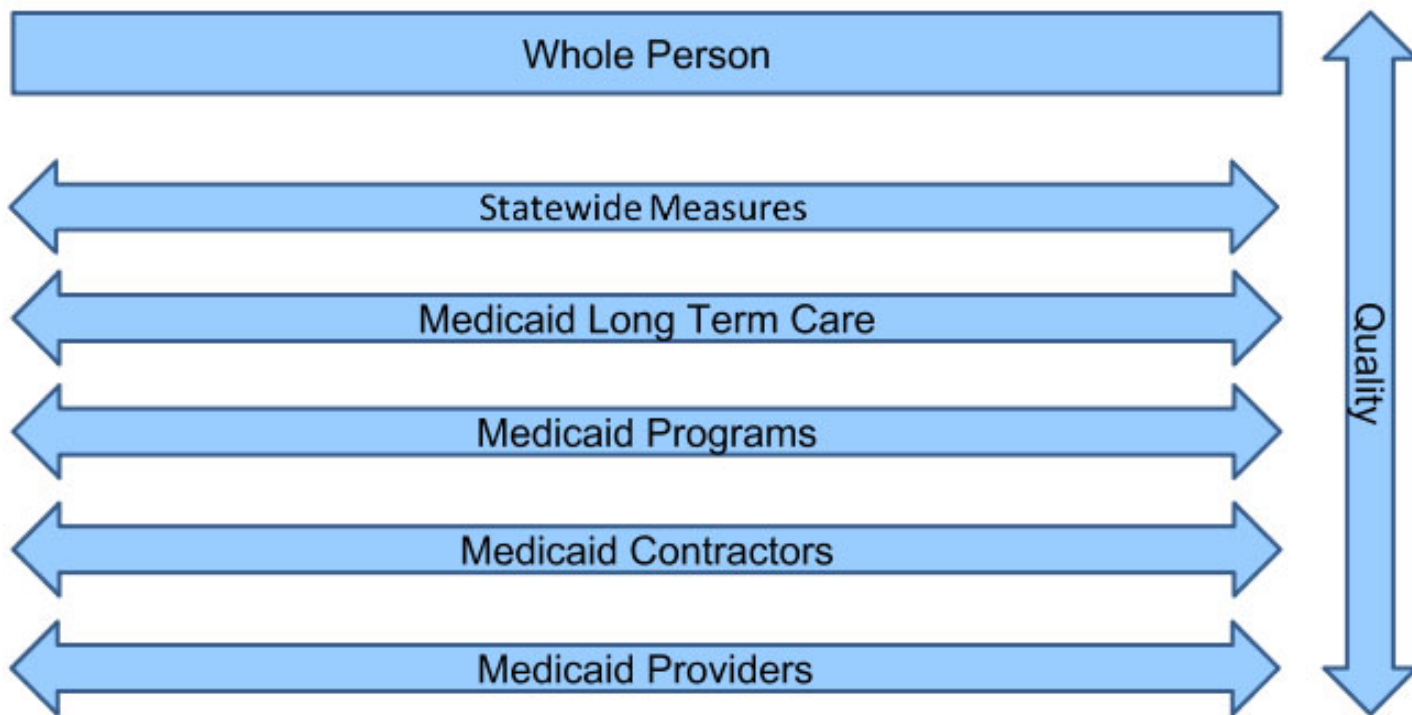
Type of Residence	Number of FE Enrollees			% of all FE Enrollees		
	2013	2017	2019	2013	2017	2019
Home	11,352	11,575	12,324	32.8%	35.2%	37.29%
Residential	7,191	8,332	8,918	20.7%	25.4%	26.96%
Nursing Home	16,113	12,960	11,806	46.5%	39.4%	35.72%
TOTAL	34,656	32,867	33,048			



Quality in HCBS



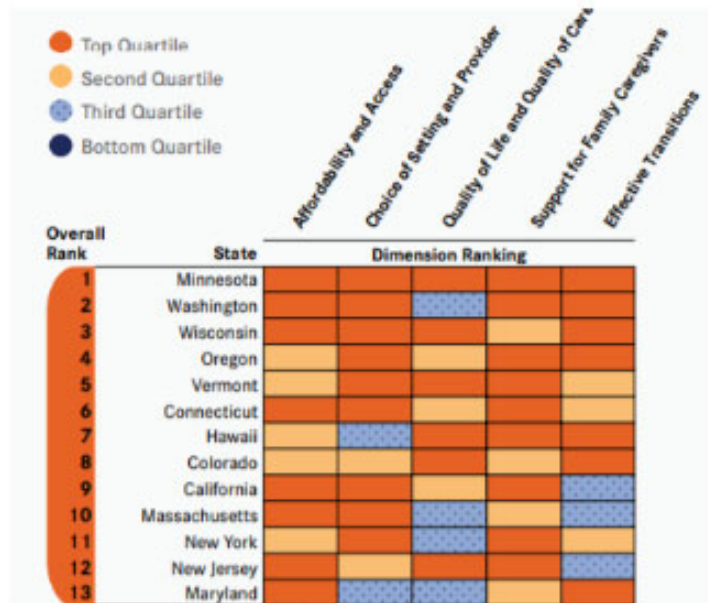
Quality Strategy for People in Long Term Care



Statewide and Medicaid Long Term Care (LTC) Measures

- AARP LTC scorecard
- National core indicators (NCIs) for intellectual or developmental disabilities (I/DD)
- NCIs for elderly and those that are physically disabled
- Satisfaction Survey
- Wisconsin LTC scorecard
- Pay for Performance (P4P)

2020 Long Term Care Scorecard

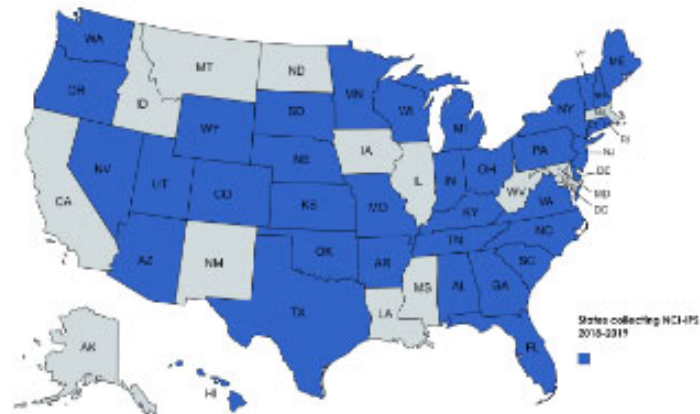
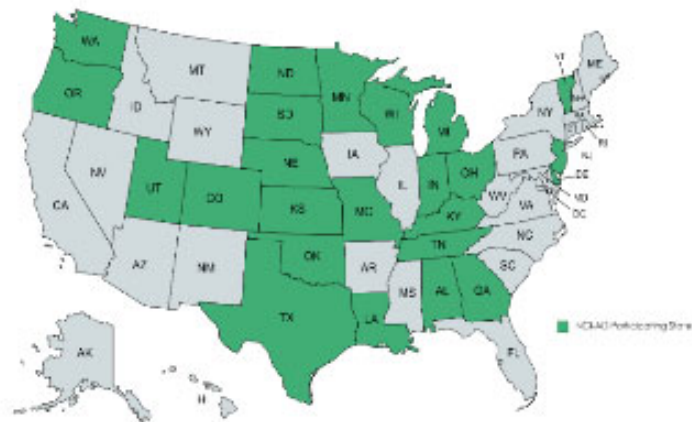


National Core Indicators

- Wisconsin participated in the two National Core Indicator Quality Measurement Programs:
 - In Person Survey (IPS) - includes people with intellectual and developmental disability (IDD)
 - Aging and Disability Survey (AD) - includes people with physical disabilities and older adults (age 65+)

This is data directly capturing the members
experience!

States collecting NCI Quality Data



Source: NCI website

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How we use NCI-AD and IPS

- Team analyzes data, reviews trends, creates briefing documents
- Brief Division of Medicaid Services leadership
- Incorporate changes into strategic plan
- Presentation to:
 - Long Term Care Advisory Council
 - IRIS Advisory Council
 - LTC Advocates Meeting

Independent Satisfaction Survey

- Captures consumer satisfaction with their Managed Care Organization, IRIS Consultant Agency, and/or Fiscal Employer Agent
- Results are statistically valid by program and target group
- Developed in partnership with UW Survey Center
- First survey took place in 2018

% who like their MCO/ICA/FEA overall		
MCOs	ICAs	FEAs
84.9%	92.7%	86.9%

Systemic Benchmarking and Improvement

Wisconsin LTC Scorecard

		2015	2016	2017	Progress
Access					
1.1	Percentage of eligible adults on waiting list for long-term care programs	3.4%	2.6%	2.1%	✓
1.2	Percentage of total LTSS Medicaid funding spent on the care and support of enrollees in Home and Community-Based Services Waiver (HCBS Waivers)—adults	72.8%	75.0%	76.9%	✓
Choice of Settings and Providers					
2.1	Percentage of eligible Medicaid people enrolled in HCBS Waivers—adults	80.2%	81.7%	83.4%	✓

Pay for Performance Initiatives

2018	2019	2020	2021
Satisfaction Survey	Satisfaction Survey	Satisfaction Survey	Satisfaction Survey
	Competitive Integrated Employment	*CIE P4P suspended due to COVID-19	Competitive Integrated Employment
	Assisted Living Communities	Assisted Living Communities	Assisted Living Communities

State Infrastructure

- § Member Quality Specialists
- § Contract Monitors
- § Quality Management and Analytics Team
- § Policy team
- § External Quality Review Organization
- § Talented engaged state staff

Consumer Options Score Card

Family Care	MCO 1	MCO 2	MCO 3
MEMBER SURVEY			
Overall Satisfaction	□ □ □ □	□ □ □ □	□ □ □
Care Team Responsiveness	□ □ □ □	□ □ □ □	□ □ □
Care Team Quality of Communication	□ □ □ □	□ □ □ □	□ □ □ □
QUALITY & COMPLIANCE			
Meeting Quality Standards	□ □ □ □ □	□ □ □ □ □	□ □ □ □ □
Rights and Protections	□ □ □ □ □	□ □ □ □	□ □ □ □
Quality and Timely Services	□ □ □ □ □	□ □ □ □	□ □ □ □ □
Grievance System	□ □ □ □ □	□ □ □ □ □	□ □ □ □ □
CARE TEAM CHARACTERISTICS			
Care Manager Turnover	□ □ □ □	□ □ □ □	□ □ □ □
Nurse Turnover	□ □ □ □	□ □ □ □	□ □ □
Care Manager to Member Ratio	1:42	1:40	1:36
Nurse to Member Ratio	1:84	1:80	1:72
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION			
MCO Website	www.MCO.com	www.MCO.com	www.MCO.com
Email	N/A	MCO@MCO.com	MCO@MCO.com
Address of Closest Office	123 MCO Way Suite 123 Madison, WI 12345	124 MCO Way Suite 123 Madison, WI 12345	125 MCO Way Suite 123 Madison, WI 12345
Phone	000-000-0000	000-000-0000	000-000-0000
Provider Directory	www.directory.com	www.directory.com	www.directory.com
Number of Counties the MCO Serves	#	#	#
Type of Agency (For profit or not for profit)	Not for profit / For profit	Not for profit / For profit	Not for profit / For profit

Results from the Wisconsin Experience

To protect and promote the health and safety of the people of Wisconsin

Results of WI LTC Model

- In 2000, 49% of WI long term care population was in the community. In 2015, 80.2% live in the community. In 2017, 83.4% live in the community.
- In 1998 there were 11,000 individuals on the waitlist. In July 2018 Family Care and IRIS are statewide. In February 2021 Wisconsin was at full entitlement.
- In 2015, at 65%, WI ranked 10th in nation for Medicaid HCBS expenditures as a percent of all long term care expenditures. In 2018, WI moved to 4th at 75.3%.
- In 2018, WI ranked 5th for Medicaid LTSS expenditures as a percentage of total Medicaid expenditures (49%)
- In the AARP LTSS 2017 Scorecard Wisconsin ranked 6th overall in the nation and received the Pace Setter award for choice of setting and provider. In 2020 Wisconsin ranked 3rd overall in the nation.

Long-Term Services and Supports State Scorecard 2020 Edition – WI (3rd)

- Ranked #2 - Quality of Life & Quality of Care
- Ranked #2 – Number of people self-directing
- Ranked #3 - HCBS quality cross-state benchmarking
- Ranked #5 - ADRC/No Wrong Door Functions
- Ranked #7 – Assisted living units per 1,000 pop 75+
- Ranked #8 - % long Stay Nursing Home residents
- Ranked #8 – Transportation polices
- Ranked #8 – NH resident appropriate antipsychotic medication

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Transforming
Lives

Revitalizing HCBS Rebalancing

Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
Washington State Department of Social and Health Services

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Vision

Seniors and people with disabilities living in good health, independence, dignity and control over decisions that affect their lives.

Mission

To transform lives by promoting choice, independence and safety through innovative services.

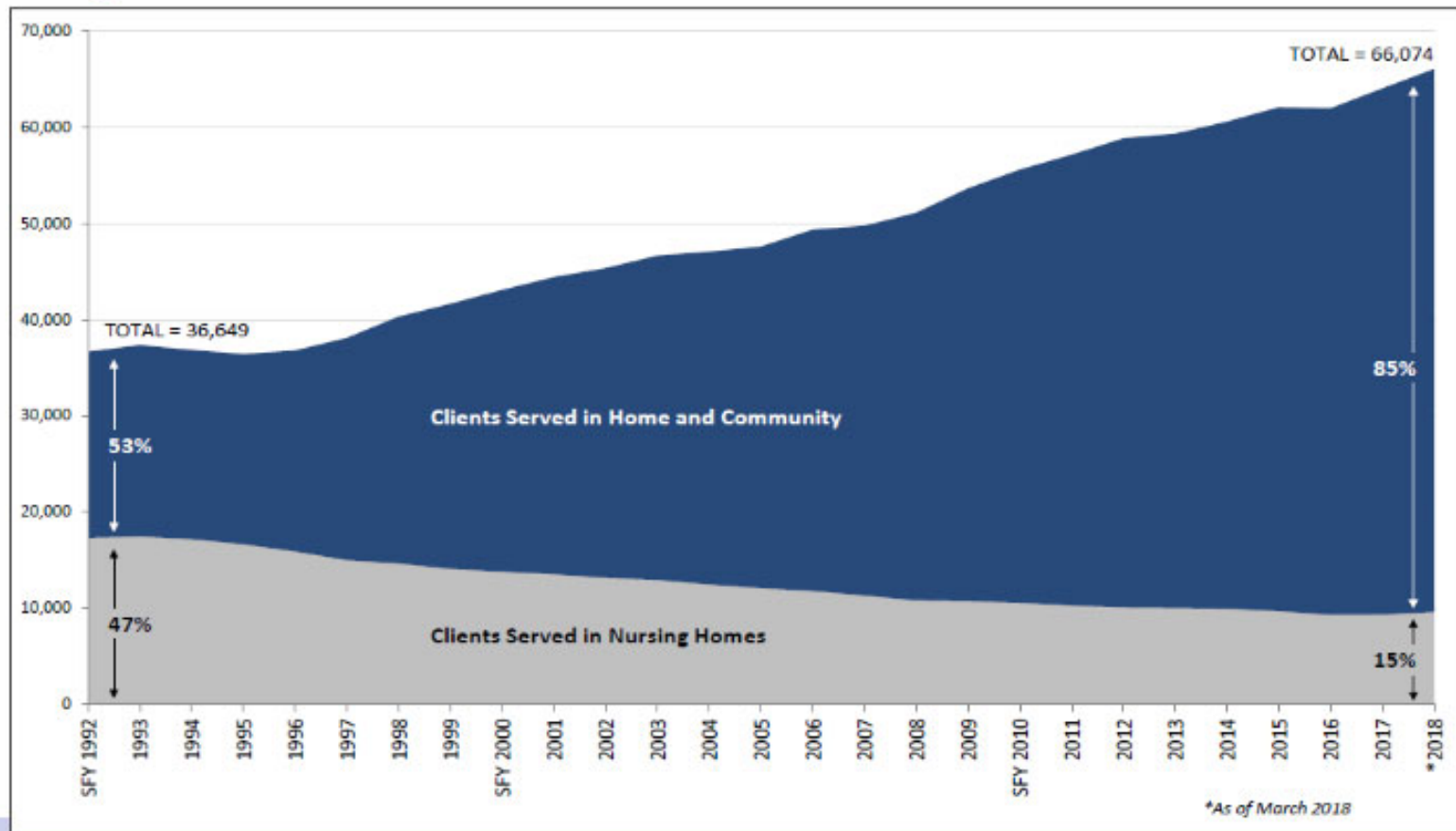
Values

Collaboration, Respect, Accountability, Compassion, Honesty and Integrity, Pursuit of Excellence, Open Communication, Diversity and Inclusion, Commitment to Service

**Serving approximately 77,000
Individuals in Medicaid LTSS
per year.**



Washington's LTSS Reforms



Washington State Department of Social and Health Services

How Have We Accomplished Rebalancing?

- Sustained effort
- Values
- Performance metrics and strategic plan
- Use of federal authorities and budget forecasting
- Staff with specialized roles
- Resource development
- Statute changes to support HCBS
- Statute changes/appropriations to reduce SNF capacity
- Certificate of Need
- Housing
- Presumptive Eligibility



Strategic Objectives

Strategic Objective 1.1: Serve individuals in their homes or in community- based settings.

- Success Measure 1.1.1:
Increase the percentage of
LTSS clients served in home-
and community-based settings
from 86.3% in June 2019 to
86.5% by June 2021.



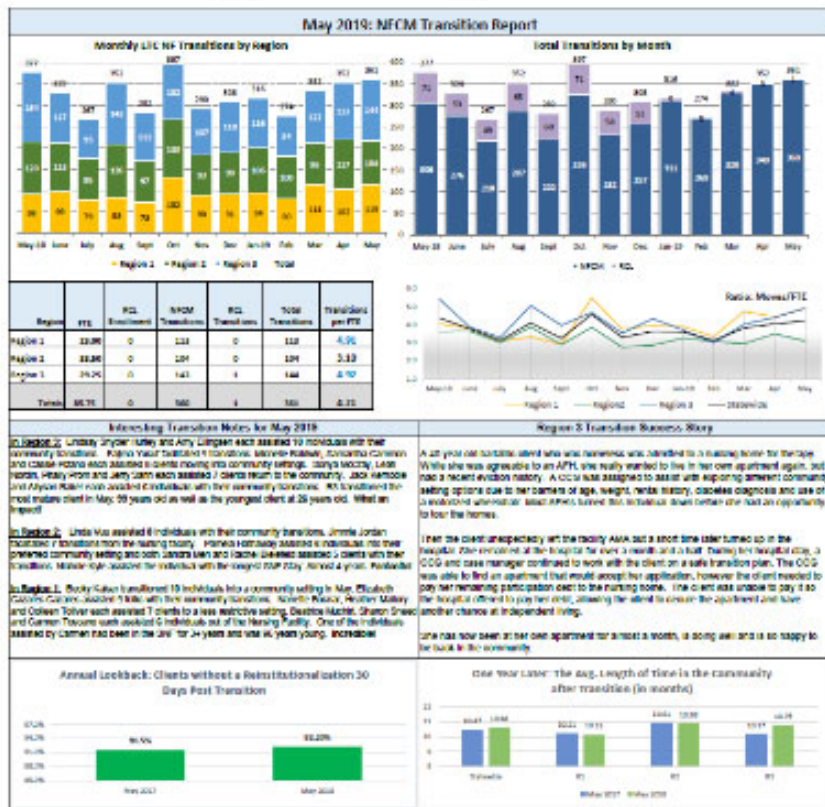
Strategic Objectives

Strategic Objective 2.2: Support people to transition from nursing homes to care in their homes or communities.

- Success Measure 2.2.1: Increase the quarterly average of nursing facility to community setting transitions from 950 in June 2019 to 1,110 by June 2021.



Nursing Facility Transition Monthly Reporting



- Monthly nursing facility case management transition report shows month-to-month transitions, broken down by region and transition type.
- It provides success stories and transition notes for regional staff and leaders involved in transitions.

HCS Programs Overview

Medicaid State Plan

- “Entitlement”
- Mandatory & optional services
- Statewide
- No cap and no targets
- ~81% of the ALTSA budget



Medicaid Waiver

- Optional Services
- Not an “entitlement”
- Can be capped/targeted
- ~3% of the ALTSA budget



Other

- State Only
- Federal Only
- ~4% of budget



Strategies for Supporting Caregivers

State and Older Americans Act

- Caregiver Assessment & Services for Unpaid Caregivers
- Kinship Caregiver Navigators and Services
- Use of evidence-based models

Medicaid Services

- Allow family caregivers to be paid in Medicaid programs
- Allow family caregivers to administer medications and provide skilled services
- Allow nurse delegation
- Paid training
- Provide care coordination and transition supports

Statutes Supporting Caregivers

- CARE Act & Family Care Act
- Paid Family Medical Leave Act
- Long-Term Care Trust Act

Who is the Self-Directed Workforce?



They are hired by Medicaid clients to assist with personal care needs.



They are contracted by the state as personal care workers.

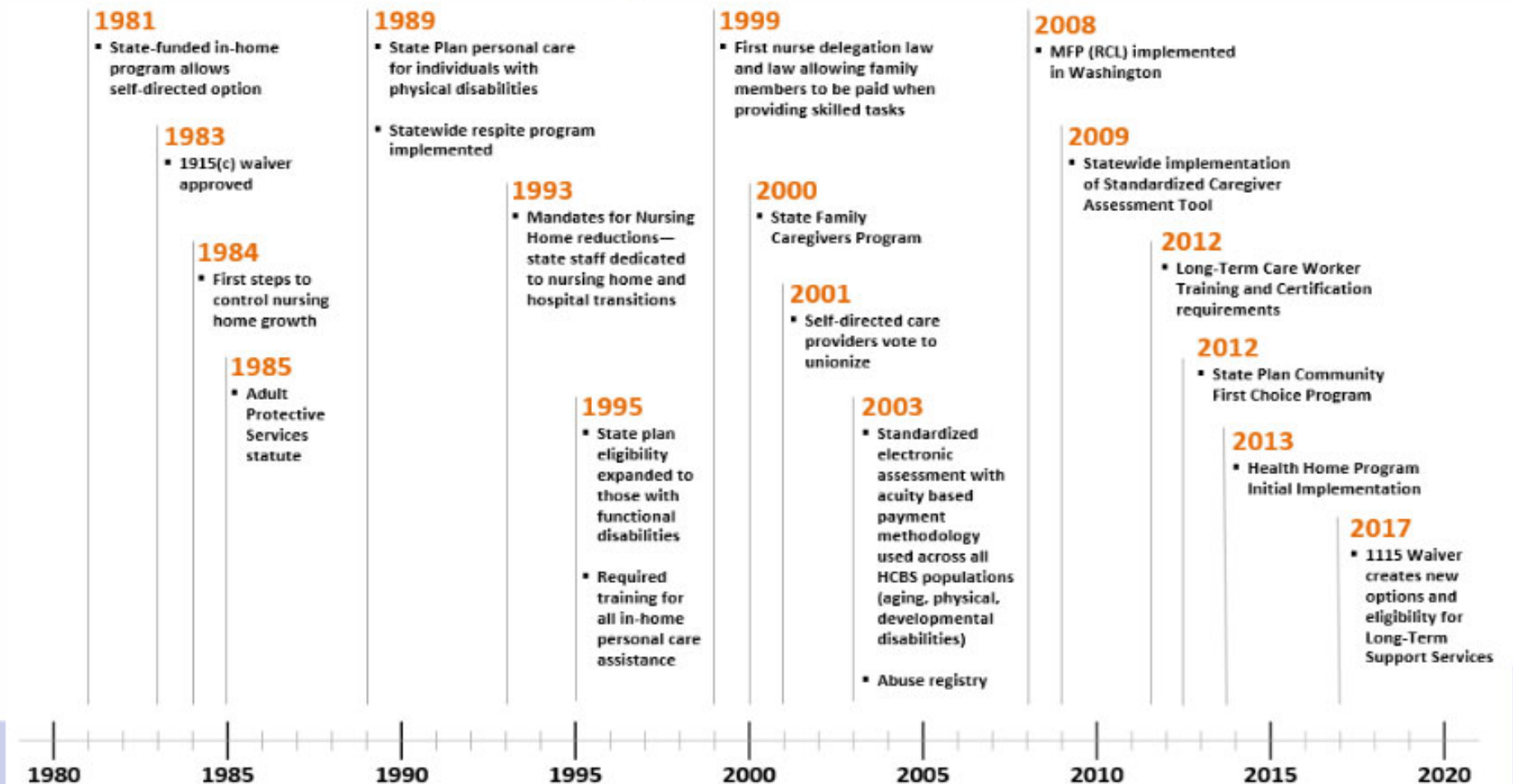


There are **46,000** individual providers in Washington state.



About **70%** of them are related to the person they serve.

Timeline of Rebalancing Innovations



Reductions in Nursing Facility Capacity

SFY 2016

Peak Providers:
224

Peak Beds: 21,350

SFY 2020

Peak Providers:
214

Peak Beds: 20,460

SFY 2025 (Projected)

Peak Providers:
202

Peak Beds: 19,401

Incentives to Reduce Nursing Facility Capacity

- Nursing facilities can “bank” bed capacity for future use. By doing so, they can avoid going through the Certificate of Need process.
- Nursing facilities can receive incentives by converting to assisted living facilities.

Nursing Facility Certificate of Need

- If state has 40 or more countable nursing home beds per 1,000 people aged 70 and above, nursing home bed need is considered “met.”
- If below estimated bed need, Certificate of Need process requires Dept. of Health to determine need for nursing home beds, based on other services in planned area, such as:
 - Assisted living and other residential care settings
 - Hospice, home health and home care



Housing Supports

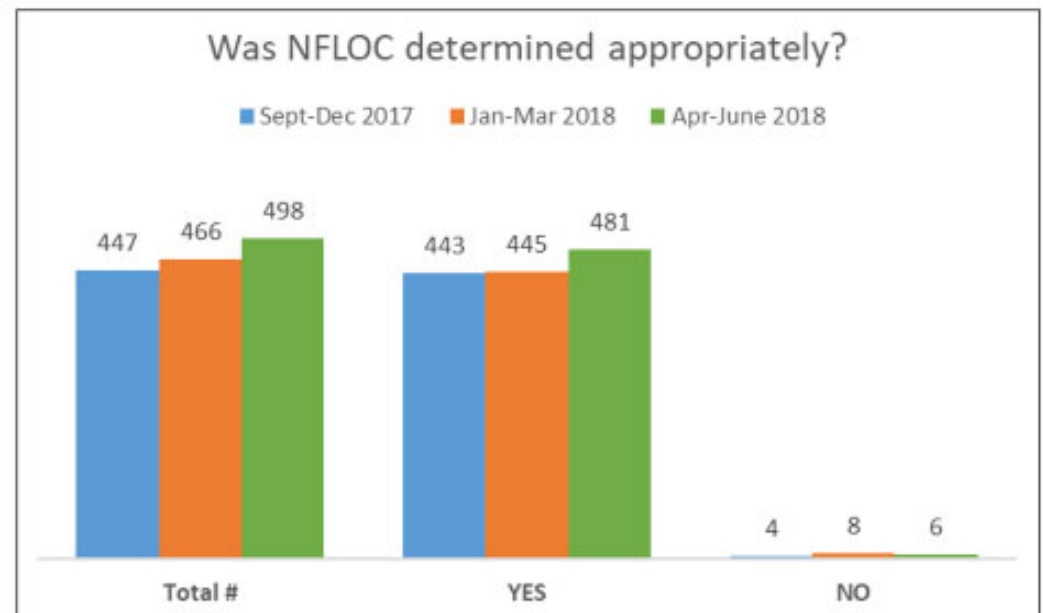
We support clients by:

- Partnering with housing authorities
- Supplying housing vouchers and rental subsidies
- Partnering with landlords and housing developers
- Providing supportive housing services through 1115 waiver
- Paying for community transitions, environmental modifications



Streamlined Eligibility & Diversion Activities

- Presumptive eligibility in 1115 waiver proved to be successful
- Providing family caregiver supports
- Targeting at-risk populations



Supporting Family Caregivers

At DSHS, we work to transform lives by promoting choice, independence and safety through innovative services.



Unpaid Caregivers Shoulder the Burden



There are over 850,000 unpaid caregivers in Washington State.



The work of these unpaid caregivers is valued at \$10.6 billion per year.



If 1/5 stopped providing care, it would double the cost of Medicaid LTSS.

Washington Supports Family Caregivers



**Providing supports to
unpaid caregivers**



**Paying caregivers
through Medicaid**

Washington's History of Supporting Unpaid Caregivers

- **1989:** State Respite Care Services
- **2000:** State Family Caregiver Support Program
- **2001:** Title III E OAA, National FCSP
- **2007/2008:** Increased funding, mandate for evidence-based caregiver assessment, statewide survey (BRFSS)
- **2009:** Family Caregiver-TCARE® Assessment
- **2012-13:** State Family Caregiver Support expansion
- **2014:** State Family Caregiver evaluation
- **2017:** Federal 1115 Medicaid Demonstration Waiver to provide family caregiving support services

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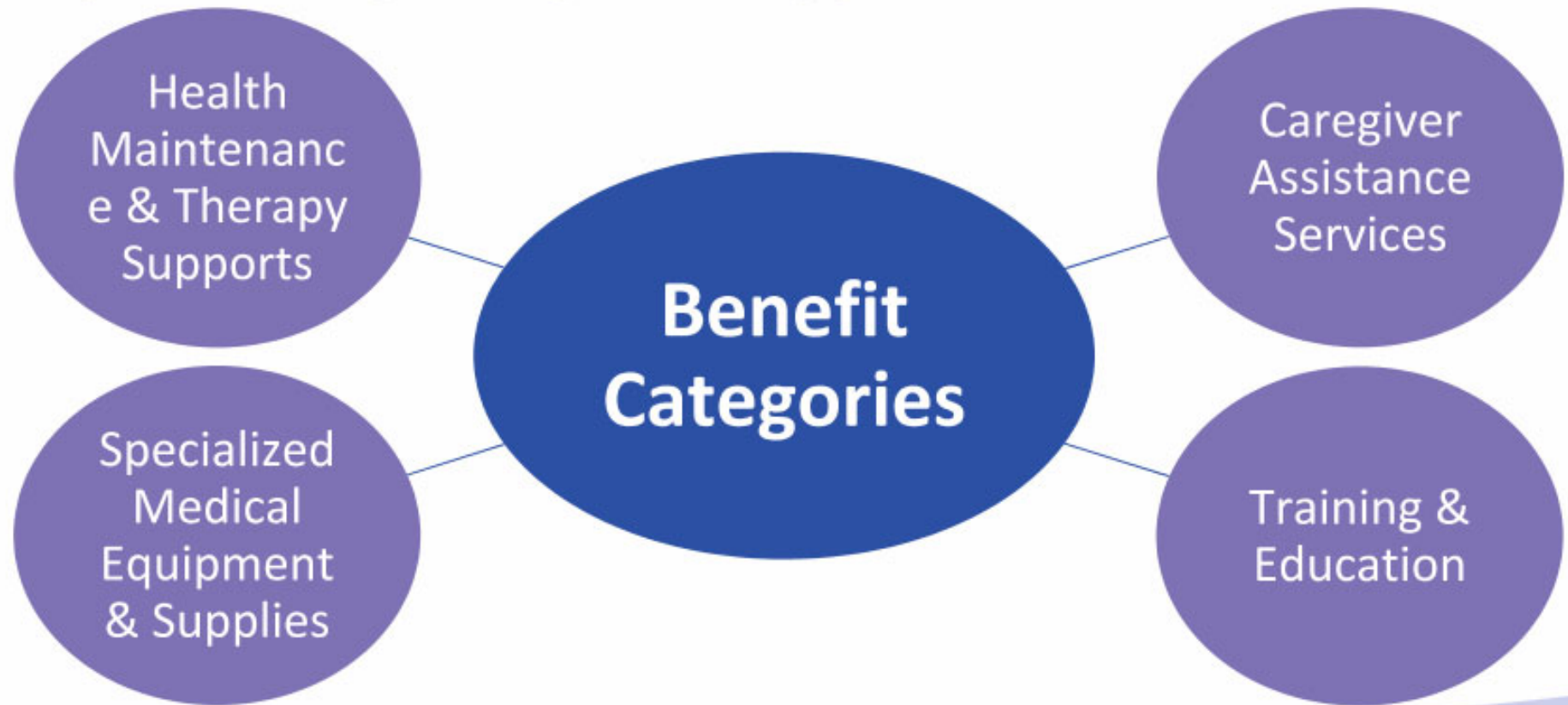
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Evidence-Based Assessment



The model for TCARE is to provide the right service at the right time.

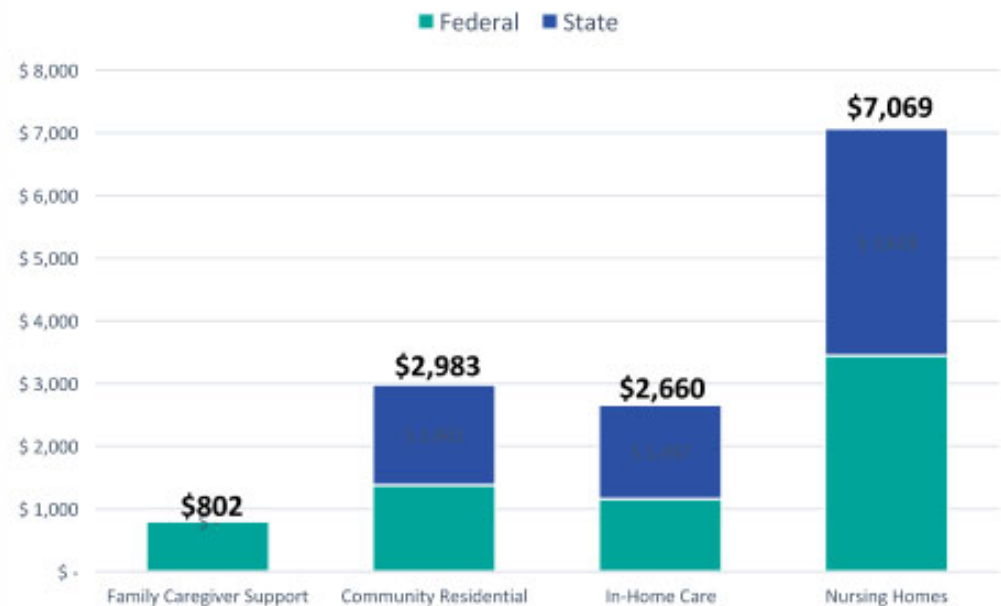
Unpaid Family Caregivers Support Services



Family Caregiver Support Services

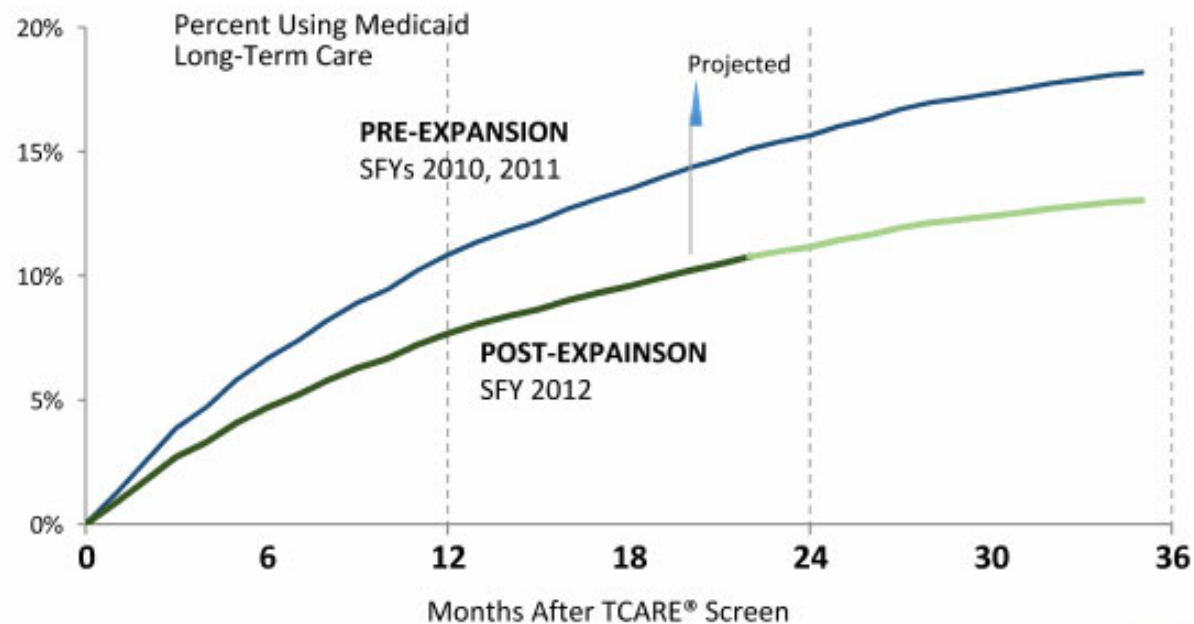
Family caregiver support services are a low-cost option compared to traditional Medicaid long-term services and supports.

Monthly Per Capita Costs – Medicaid LTSS
Projected SFY 2021



Impact of Family Caregiver Supports

Time from TCARE® Screen until First Use of Medicaid Long-Term Care
Pre- and Post-Expansion, Controlling for Baseline Differences



12 months after expanding our Family Caregiver Support Program, clients were 20% less likely to use Medicaid long-term care compared to pre-expansion

Outcomes for Family Caregivers

Over a 6-month period, caregivers who receive ongoing support show statistically significant improvements in:

- Stress burden
- Relationship burden
- Objective burden
- Depression
- Comfort with caregiving role

Spousal caregivers also show a decreased “intention to place.”

84%

of caregivers show
a significant
improvements on
key outcomes