



Money Follows the Person

Informational Meeting

June 18, 2014



Agenda

- Welcome
- MFP Demonstration – Brief Overview
- MFP Benchmark Data
- Transition Coordination Entities
- Training
- MFP and ABI Waivers
- Housing
- Discussion

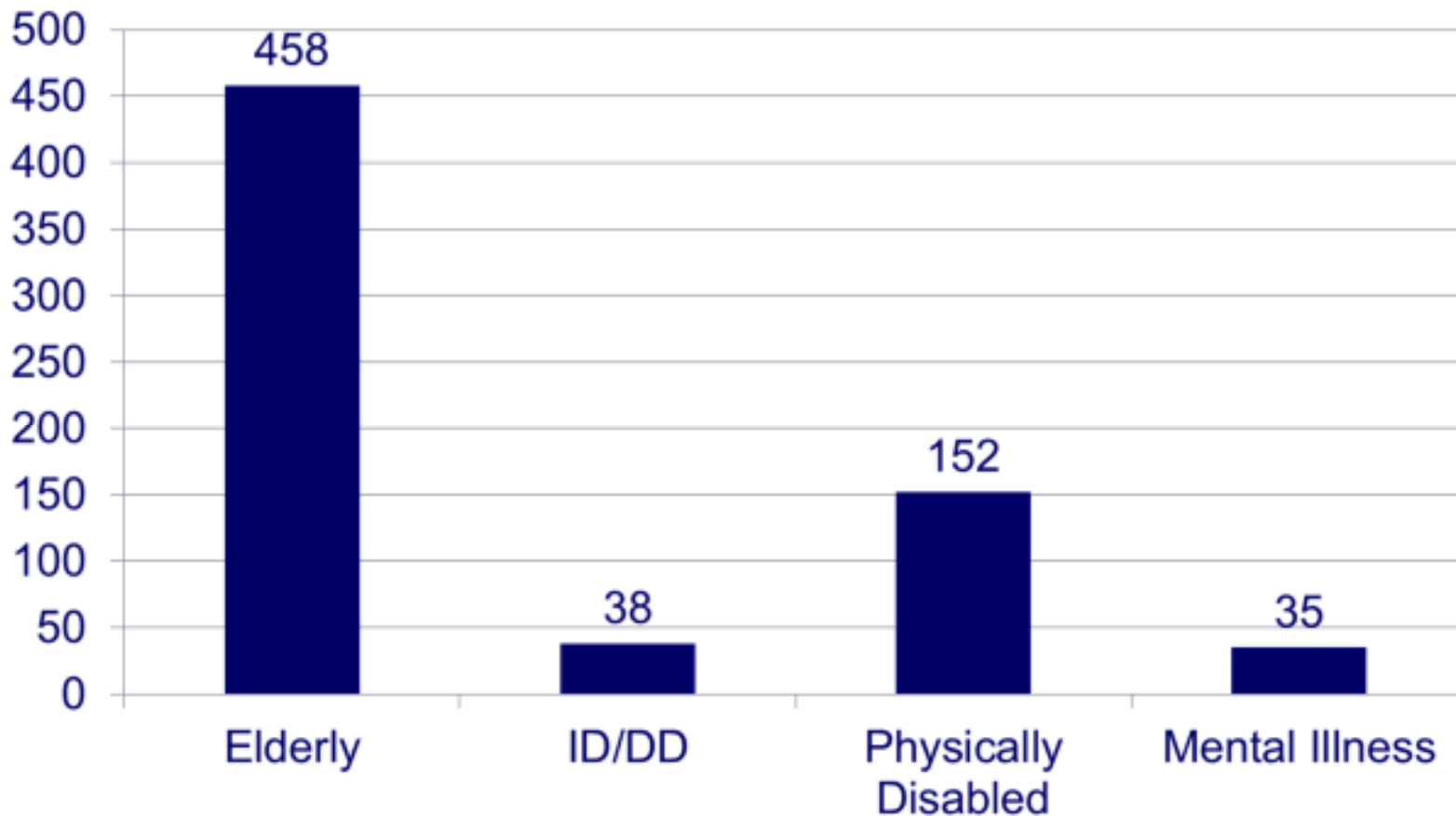
MFP Demonstration Background

- Massachusetts awarded a MFP Demonstration Grant from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in April 2011.
- EOHHS elected to implement the MFP Demonstration in two phases:
 - Phase 1: Utilized state agencies and their agents to transition individuals from qualified facilities to the community
 - Phase 2: Currently partnering with 33 Transition Entities (ASAPs, ILCs and Incorporated ADRC) that provide outreach, enrollment and transition coordination services

Demonstration Benchmark Data

MFP Demonstration Data

MFP participants in the community by population

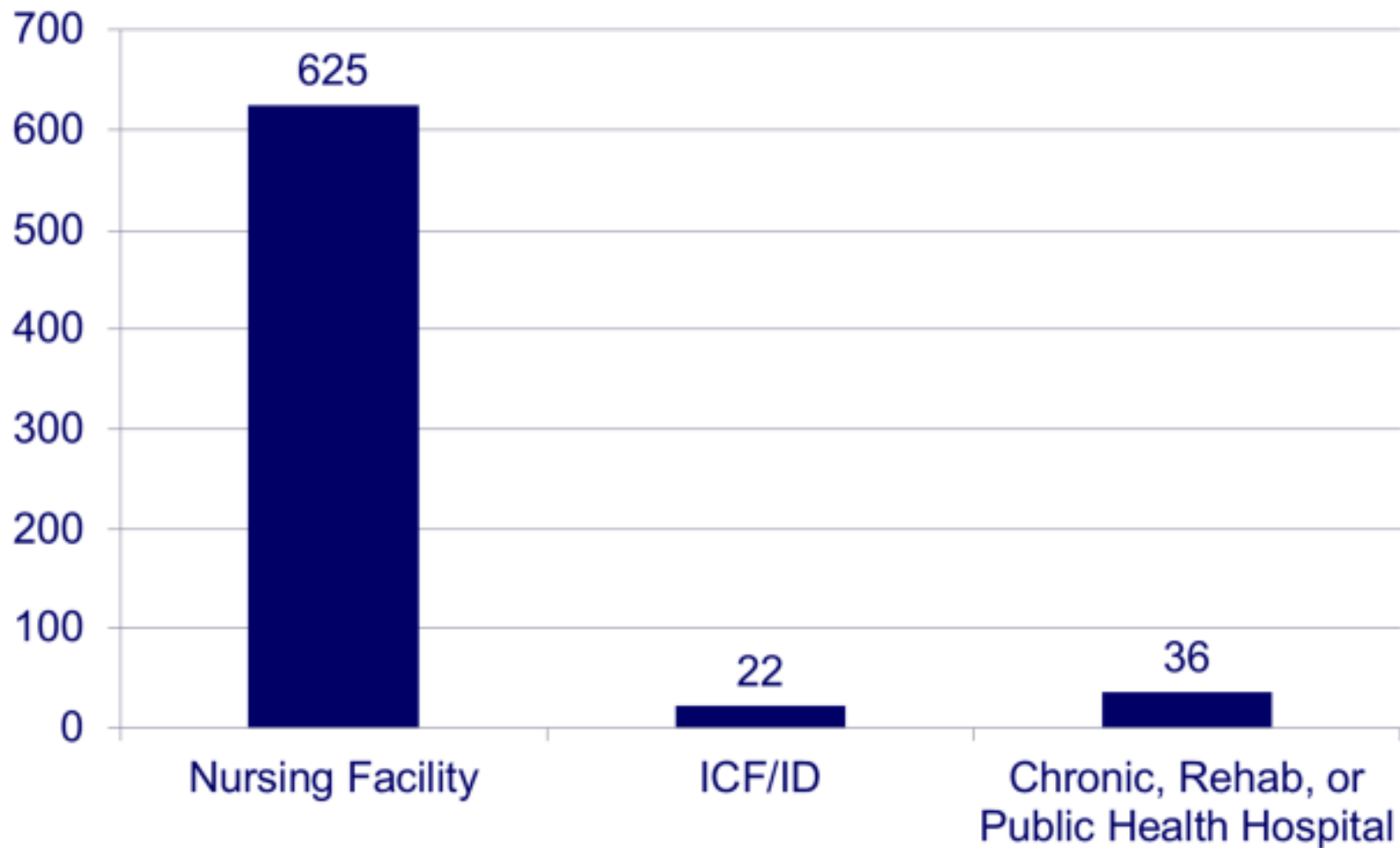


As of 5/31/2014

Total through May 2014 = 683

MFP Demonstration Data

Number of MFP participants in the community by qualified facility from which they transitioned



As of 5/31/2014

MFP Transition Coordination Entities

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■ Transition Coordination functions:

- Outreach and Engagement
- Enrollment
- Transition Planning
- Provision of Necessary Goods and Services
- Housing Search Coordination
- Coordination with Case Managers
- Conducting Baseline Quality of Life Survey

MFP Transition Coordination Entities

■ Transition Coordination Entities

- Provided 280 contacts to individuals interested in the moving to the community
- Conducted 257 face-to-face visits with potential MFP enrollees
- Enrolled 161 individuals subsequent to contact w/ a Transition Entity

As reported by Transition Entities, Jan - Mar 2014

Training

Extensive MFP Training Sessions **MassHealth**

Training Type:	Training Purpose:	When:	Number of locations:	Trainees:
MFP Demonstration, Transition Coordination and Waiver Overview	To provide transition staff with a comprehensive training on the MFP Demonstration and Waivers	October 2013	6	95
Transition Entity Executive Director Kick-Off Meeting	To provide an overview of the MFP Demonstration for Executive Directors and entity leadership staff	January 2014	1	54
811 Project Rental Assistance Training	To provide transition staff and Housing Search Entities information about the 811 Voucher and matching DHCD programs and program requirements	March/June 2014	5	145
Housing Search Entity Training	To provide qualified entity and independent HSEs information on MFP housing policies and procedures	January 2014	4	74
MFP Transition Coordinator Refresher Training	To provide transition staff with a follow-up refresher training on the Demo, Transition Coordination and Waivers	April 2014	4	109
MassHealth Financial Eligibility Training	To provide transition staff and state agency Case Managers with a comprehensive MassHealth Financial Eligibility training related to the Demonstration and Waivers	May-June 2014	5	108

In Addition, the MFP Project Office has:

1. Held regular Round-Table discussions with transition staff to provide opportunities to ask questions, provide feedback and share best practices.
2. Provided training to staff of multiple State Agencies on the demonstration, waivers and resources the Demo can provide.
3. Made available 8 online training modules, including:
 - The MFP Demonstration Grant
 - Administering the Quality of Life Survey
 - Massachusetts State Plan Services
 - Massachusetts HCBS Waivers
 - Executive Office of Health and Human Services
 - MassHealth: An Overview for the MFP Demo - *new*
 - Why Work? Benefits of Working - *new*
 - Resources for Work - *new*

MFP and ABI Waivers

Changes to Money Follows the Person (MFP) and Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Waivers

Case management is now being provided by case managers employed by the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission (MRC) and Department of Developmental Services (DDS) (called service coordinators at DDS).

- MFP Residential Supports Waiver (RS) and ABI Residential Habilitation Waiver – DDS Service Coordinators
- MFP Community Living Waiver (CL) and ABI Non-Residential Habilitation Waiver (ABI-RH) – MRC Case Managers

Other revisions to the Waivers (continued)

MFP-RS and MFP-CL Waivers

- MFP-RS and MFP-CL Waivers: Added target group of Mentally ill – this Mentally ill targeted group includes disabled or mentally ill individuals 18 – 64 and elders age 65 and older (exclusion of individuals age 22 – 64 in Psychiatric Hospitals still applies)
- MFP-CL: Changed the service limit on the group of waiver services from 12 hours per day to 84 hours per week for: Homemaker; Home Health Aide; Personal Care; Individual Support and Community Habilitation; Adult Companion; and Supportive Home Care Aide (essentially the same limit but easier to manage on a weekly basis)

Other revisions to the Waivers (continued)

ABI-RH and ABI-N Waivers

- ABI-N and ABI-RH: Waiver entrance cost limit has been removed
- ABI-N Waiver: New service limits on specific group of waiver services, whether provided separately or in a combined manner – 84-hour per week limit on the following set of waiver services: Homemaker; Personal Care; Adult Companion; and Individual Support and Community Habilitation.

MFP and ABI Waiver Participants

(as of 6/11/14)

	MFP-RS	MFPCL	ABI-RH	ABI-N
Eligible (not yet transitioned)	99	72	45	8
Enrolled Participant	14	38	105	82
Total	113	110	150	90

Housing Update

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- **811 Project Rental Assistance, Massachusetts Rental Assistance Program, and Housing Choice Voucher Program set asides for MFP**
 - Currently awaiting signed Cooperative Agreement from HUD
 - 811 Implementation Team is developing a HUD required Affirmative Marketing Plan that identifies “hard to reach” eligible populations and how outreach will be delivered to those groups
 - Training on Affirmative Referrals and Tenancy Readiness will be offered in the near future to support the 811 implementation

Housing Update

■ 2 New MFP Regional Housing Coordinators

- **Karla Armenoff - Metropolitan Boston Housing Partnership**
- **Norman Kane - South Middlesex Opportunity Council (SMOC)**
- **Roles:**
 - Provide outreach within housing networks about the MFP Demonstration
 - Identify and create housing opportunities for MFP enrollees in their regions
 - Maintain regional housing information
 - Facilitate regional meetings with MFP housing and entity transition staff
 - Provide guidance and support to entity transition staff on housing issues
 - Maintain waiting list for the 811 vouchers set aside for MFP enrollees

Housing Update

■ Began Regional Housing Meetings

- Monthly meetings for Transition Coordinators, Housing Search Entities, Regional Housing Coordinators and Statewide Housing Partnership Coordinator to receive updates on housing resources, identify local housing barriers and share expertise on current enrollee housing searches

■ Initiated Outreach to Large Housing Authorities

- including Boston, Worcester, Winchendon, Shrewsbury, Gardner, Leominster/Fitchburg as well Massachusetts branch of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials

■ Continued efforts to recruit HSEs

- Focus on recruitment in lesser served regions (Central MA, Western MA)

■ Increased Major Home Accessibility Adaptations under MFP

- Year to Date - 53 HAA projects initiated
- Currently - 38 in progress, 15 completed

Discussion

For More Information on MFP

- **MFP Website:** www.mass.gov/masshealth/MFP
 - Demonstration and Waiver information
 - State agency links

- **MFP Project Office:**
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