The Changing Landscape of Medical Care for those with Disabilities in Mississippi

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The Present

- Many of those with IDD that have significant medical issues live in congregate residential programs
- Most of their medical care is provided within these facilities by medical providers with experience in this area
- The trend is toward moving to community living arrangements and away from congregate settings
Who will provide medical care?
The Future

- As more move to community settings, their medical care will be delivered by community physicians, nurse practitioners, dentists, emergency room physicians and other community-based providers
Challenges

- Many community medical providers have received little training in caring for specific medical issues that this group faces.
- There is little support or consultation opportunities for medical providers needing resources to assist with care, especially for adults with IDD.
Ensuring Success

- Community providers need support as well as education and training opportunities to ensure the availability of needed medical resources for those with disabilities.
Ensuring Success

- Working with the Division of Medicaid as a stakeholder in the MAC 2.0 Learning collaborative
- Addressing the healthcare needs of at risk individuals with the goal of preventing institutionalization
- Developing a plan to provide support and training to community medical providers
DETECT
Developmental Evaluation, Training and Educational Consultative Team of Mississippi
Education

- CME programs
- Website -DETECTms.com
- In-office/web-based discussions
Training

- In-office consultation through traveling consultative team
- Telemedicine
- Resident/Student Rotations
Support

- Multidisciplinary consultative team
- Telemedicine support – UMMC Telehealth
- Consultative clinic
  - Referral with follow up
  - Consultative report sent to primary provider
Multidisciplinary Consultative Team

- Primary Care Physician
- Psychiatrist
- Psychologist
- Neurologist
- Dentist
- Nurse
- Dietitian
- Audiologist
- Respiratory Therapist
- PT/OT
- Program Manager
Who is Eligible for Services?

- Anyone living in Mississippi with an Intellectual and/or Developmental Disability
Definitions

- An accurate diagnosis of intellectual disability requires three (3) components: an IQ score of approximately seventy (70) or below, a determination of deficits in adaptive behavior, and manifestation of disability prior to age eighteen (18).

- Developmental Disability is defined as a severe, chronic disability that is attributable to a mental and/or physical impairment. The condition is manifested before age twenty-two (22) and is likely to continue indefinitely. It results in substantial functional limitations in three (3) or more areas of life activity: self-care, receptive and expressive language, learning, mobility, self-direction, capacity for independent living, and economic self-sufficiency.
Referrals

- Made through patient’s primary care provider, or community support team
- Evaluation with follow-up as needed
- Report and recommendations sent to referrer
- Consultative only – patient is referred back to their primary care provider for routine care
Funding

- Primary
  - MAC 2.0 funds
    - (Balancing Incentive Program)

- Sustaining
  - Billing for services
Welcome to the New Norm

- Community integrated support for everyone.