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2024 HCBS Conference
Please note: Times are subject to change. *All times are in* Eastern Time

On-Demand Intensives and Plenaries were recorded during the HCBS In-Person Conference and will be available for viewing anytime throughout the Virtual Conference. No presenters will be available to answer questions for these sessions.

All other sessions are fully virtual. Presenters will be available for questions during the scheduled time.

Sessions are pre-recorded and will be available on-line following the conference.

On-Demand Intensives Available Throughout Conference
Summary

- **Medicaid 101 Intensive**
- **The OAA & Federal Rules for Aging Well Intensive**
- **Information and Referral/Assistance Intensive**
- **CMS: Preparing for Change: Considerations in Implementing the HCBS Provisions in the Ensuring Access to Medicaid Services Final Rule Intensive**
- **CMS: Money Follows the Person Demonstration (MFP) Intensive**
- **Medicaid MLTSS Intensive**
- **CMS: The Power of Person-Centered Service Planning Intensive**
- **Enabling Technology Intensive**
- **Caregiving & Direct Care Workforce Intensive**
- **Adult Protective Services: Moving Towards Uniformity, Collaboration, & Innovation**

Wednesday, September 11	
Time	**Summary**
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	**Sessions Begin** • **ACL Track: Older Americans Act Final Rule** • **CMS Track: Addressing Workforce Shortages & Promoting HCBS Rate Transparency through Implementation of the Access Rule** • **Leveraging Lived Experience: A Guide to Unlocking Your NCI-AD Data Potential** • **Understanding & Improving Nursing Facility Level of Care Criteria to Support Efficiency & Equity** • **From Pilot to Impact: How Molina Plans to Decrease Costs, Improve Member Outcomes & Satisfaction by Supporting Caregivers with Training** • **Turning Vision into Reality: Updates on the Launch of MNChoices** • **Sectors of Success: Aging to 100 in New Mexico** • **Affordability of Care: Strengthening How Clients are Connected to Benefits (MIPPA)** • **Reaching the Medicaid Populations Where They Are: Technology Adoption in Rural Areas** • **Filling in the Gaps for HCBS Quality Measures: Surveys for Child Waiver Programs**
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 a.m.	**Sessions** • **ACL Track: Expanding & Strengthening the Direct Care Workforce**

- CMS Track: Critical Incident Management in HCBS: Where Are We & Where Are We Going?
- Taking the Next Step: Implementation of the National Strategy to Support Family Caregivers
- The Future of HCBS – Lessons from the American Rescue Plan Act
- Assistive Technology & Technical Assistance: How Creative Collaboration with Assistive Technology Units Can Help States Better Support Waiver Populations
- Making it Work: Innovations in Residential Care to Support Individuals with Complex Behavioral Support Needs
- Talking SMAC: Optimizing State Medicaid Agency Contracts with Dual Eligible Special Needs Plans
- Beyond the Digital Divide: MA & WI's Path to Digital Equity for Older Adults
- The Medicaid Access Rule and HCBS Participants Rights
- Eliminating Silos and Building LGBTQ+ Aging Power in the Aging Network

12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.	**Lunch Break**
12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	**Plenary – Alison Barkoff** **Performing the Duties of the Acting Administrator and Assistant Secretary for Aging, ACL** *Plenary available for viewing anytime throughout the virtual conference*
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	**Sessions Resume** • **ACL Track: Adult Protective Services Final Rule**

- CMS Track: Implementing a Grievance System for Fee-for Service Home & Community-Based Services
- Navigating the Direct Care Workforce: How States are Utilizing Affordable Innovations to Build Workforce Solutions
- Creating a Specialized Long-Term Care Facility for Justice-Involved & Difficult to Place Individuals
- Diamonds in Your Data – How Powerful Technology Helps Connecticut Ensure Quality of Care
- Secrets Revealed on the 2 Longest Standing Cash & Counseling Self-Direction Models

3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	**Sessions**
	- ACL Track: Housing & Services Resource Center
	- CMS Track: Advancing Quality & Equity through the HCBS Quality Measure Set
	- The OAA Final Rule: Understanding What it Means & How it Applies to Your Work
	- Putting People First — Delivering Outcomes When Disaster Happens
	- Addressing Dementia with Data-Driven Improvements to LTSS Access
	- Strengthening the Direct Care Workforce: Expanding Access & Outreach in Immigrant Communities
	- Using Project Management Tools & Data Visualization to Track Progress & Impact
	- Strategies to Support People with Disabilities to Achieve Employment Goals Through Small Business Ownership

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	**Sessions**
	• **ACL Track: Aging & Disability Partnerships in Emergency Management**
	• **CMS Track: The Power of Person-Centered Service Planning**
	• **Empowering Care: Innovations in Self-Direction & Job Quality for Independent Home Care Providers**
	• **Expanding Access to LTSS: Promising Innovations in Washington, California & Minnesota**
	• **Workforce Data Matters: How States Can Improve Data Collection to Inform Effective Workforce Solutions in HCBS**
	• **An Att(Ai)nable Leap to the Future — Responsible, Impactful, & Scalable Ai Frameworks**
	• **A Data Presentation That Doesn't Byte**
	• **More Youth Leadership in Action: Advancing Supported Decision-Making & Self-Determination**

Thursday, September 12

Time	Summary
10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	**Plenary – Daniel Tsai** **Deputy Administrator and Director of Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services** *Plenary available for viewing anytime throughout the virtual conference*
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	**Sessions Begin** • **ACL Track: Listening Session on the National Plan on Aging**

Thursday, September 12	
Time	**Summary**
	• CMS Track: Preparing for Change: Considerations in Implementing the HCBS Provisions in the Ensuring Access to Medicaid Services Final Rule
	• Creating a Supported Path Home: Transitions from Long-Term Nursing Facility Care to Community
	• Ready, Set, Go! Supporting States in the Preparation for the Access Rule
	• Experiences of Black Women Direct Care Workers in Long-Term Care
	• Cracking the Code: Unraveling the Mystery of Medicaid Eligibility
	• Cooking up a Top-Notch Self-Direction Program: It's All in the Ingredients
	• Federal Policy Update: Recent Legislation, Appropriations, & Regulations
	• A Roadmap for Quality Improvement: Using National Core Indicators HCBS Quality Measures Set Indicators
	• Keeping Your Finger on the Pulse: Innovations for Overseeing Delivery of PASRR for In-Person
12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.	**Lunch Break**
12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	**Sessions Resume** • ACL Track: Turning Policy into Practice Through Multi-Sector Engagement • CMS Track: Strategies for Effectively Serving Individuals with Complex Needs

Thursday, September 12	
Time	**Summary**
	• **We Are Qual-i-ty…. I Got All My Sister (Agencies) With Me!**
	• **Advancing Health Equity Through Enhanced Access to HCBS Programs**
	• **It's Not Just Wages: Solutions to Support Direct Care Workforce**
	• **Charting Mental Health Journeys: Texas' Youth Empowerment Services & Connecticut's Mental Health Waiver 15-Year Evolution**
	• **Pivoting From a Temporary to Permanent Option: Arizona's & Louisiana's Approach to Adopting New Authority to Pay Family Members to Provide Care**
	• **Slowly Filling the Holes: Building & Repairing State Collaboration to Improve Behavioral Health & HCBS Coordination**
	• **Fragmented Systems? Bye, Bye, Bye! How South Carolina is Getting NSYNC Through Collaboration at the Macro & Micro Levels**

Thursday, September 12	
Time	**Summary**
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	**Sessions** • **ACL Track: Advancing Collaborations across I/DD, Brain Injury, & Mental Health Systems**

Thursday, September 12

Time	Summary
	• CMS Track: New Federal Rules Impacting HCBS Rates & Promoting Community Integration through Innovative Rate Methodologies • Finding Alignment: State Strategies to Coordinate HCBS Payment Rates • Minnesota's New Assisted Living Report Card • Developing HCBS Measures that can Access Outcomes & Training that is Feasible for Overtaxed Staff • Building Financial Confidence and Retirement Security for Caregivers of All Ages • Unveiling the Unseen: Addressing Brain Injury as a Critical Factor in Comprehensive & Person-Centered Service Delivery • How WA is Leveraging Medicaid Funding to Expanding Housing Opportunities and Choice for HCBS Clients
3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	**Sessions** • ACL Track: Better Together: The Roles of Federal, State, & Community Partners to Address Health-Related Social Needs Through Community Care Hubs • CMS Track: HCBS Settings: The One Year Post Transition Period National Landscape • Building Capacity for Systems Change: Leveraging Lived Experience to Address Health Equity for People with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities

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Time	**Summary**
	• **Independence First: The Making of a Medicaid Movement**
	• **There's No Place Like Home: Oregon's Creative Strategies for Keeping Individuals Receiving HCBS in Their Own Home**
	• **I/DD Agency Views on the Implementation of the 2014 HCBS Final Rule**
	• **This Group Must Somehow Form a Family: Family and caregiver provisions in Medicaid waivers for older adults**
4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	**Sessions** • **CMS Track: Streamlining Eligibility, Enrollment, & Renewal Processes for Medicaid Applicants & Beneficiaries** • **CMS Track: The Evolution of HCBS Post-COVID-19 Public Health Emergency** • **Using Smart Devices to Increase Quality of Life & Assist with the Workforce Crisis** • **Innovations in Transportation: Getting Where We Need to Go** • **Exploring the New Landscape of Managed Care** • **Tribal Health Homes: A Culturally Responsive Long-Term Services & Supports Program that Includes Wraparound Services in a Traditional Setting**

Thursday, September 12	
Time	**Summary**
	• **Building Bridges & Getting Over Them: Using Standardized Assessment Data to Facilitate Transition to Community**
	• **Aging Out of Child Public Program Services: A Five State Case Study**
	• **Policies to Support People with Dementia: Perspectives from California**