

Effectively Managing ADAP Waiting Lists

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Nebraska's ADAP Waiting List History

- 2005 waiting list
 - Maximum of 94 individuals
- 2008 waiting list
 - Maximum of 75 individuals
 - Breakdown percentages
 - Correlating Part C waiting list

Cost Containment Strategies for Nebraska

- 2005
 - Reduced FPL
 - Reduced supportive services
 - Capped annual support \$\$ limit
- 2008
 - Reduced FPL
 - Capped enrollment
 - Accessed PAPs



ADAPting in Montana

Waiting lists as high as 26
have developed ~ two years
since 2002

Montana Cost Reduction Strategies

- Reduced formulary
- Limit Fuzeon to 1 full ADAP client at a time
- Recertify to ensure no other payer available
- Regionalized ADAP pharmacies to reduce postage
- Use state funds to access Medicaid and Medicare

Nebraska – 2005 solutions

- Advocacy for State funding = \$750,000
 - Providers
 - Consumers
 - Legislative partner
 - Total = \$900,000
- Spending reductions
- Medical need prioritization

Nebraska – 2008 Solutions

- Reduced FPL for ADAP
- Supplemental ADAP funding
- Internal Block Grant funding
- Internal Agency funding
- Creative purchasing strategies

Montana Solutions

- Took advantage of Presidential Initiative X 2



and Ramsell Flowers Heritage Foundation Bridge The Gap Program

- Lobbied for and now receive state funds
- Applied for innovative HOPWA funding
- Apply for ADAP supplemental and base supplemental funds

Montana reduced non-ADAP Part B base fund expenditures

- Eliminated all support services except non-medical case management
- Reduced state administrative costs to free up more base funds for ADAP
- Work with Part Cs to ensure no duplication of services
- Share case management costs with local health departments
- Combined treatment planning with HIV Prevention Community Planning Group

When all else fails,
we drive to Canada for drugs



Patient Assistance Programs

- Local hospitals
 - “I.C.A.R.E.” – Univ. of NE Medical Center
 - Compassionate access program
 - Group of infectious disease docs
- Anything/anyone that provides assistance

A scenic landscape of a mountain range with a valley in the foreground. The mountains are rugged and rocky, with some snow or light-colored patches. The valley is filled with green grass and small trees. The sky is clear and blue.

Montana Wait Listed Clients Must have a Case Manager

Larger sites with designated PAP personnel ensure consistent supply of medications

Clients at rural sites where case managers and providers have no time for PAP paperwork are enrolled without wait, if possible

Other Considerations

- Current residence
- Current enrollment/re-enrollment/recertification
- Consistent need

Nebraska Waiting List Prioritization Considerations

- Medical need
 - Sickest consumers first
- Patient Acuity Scales
 - Measures medical need vs Support need
- Medical adherence
 - Medical visits
 - Medication/viral load/CD4

Montana Waiting List Prioritization

First Come, First Served Standing Exemptions:

- A: Rural clients where accessing PAP is
logistically difficult**
- B. Homeless clients**
- C. When a medication is unavailable through
PAP or any other source**
- D Pregnant women, if ineligible for Medicaid**

Alternatives to consider: Cost Containment

- Patient cost-sharing
- High risk insurance programs
- COBRA/Other insurance co-pays
- SPAPs
- Income guidelines
 - Monthly vs annual?

Alternatives to Internal Controls

- Patient Benefit Manager
 - A company that helps manage pharmacy benefits
 - Controls pricing, formularies, rebates
 - Manages plan design and changes to plans
- Patient Benefits Administrator
 - A company that helps manage some/all pharmacy benefits
 - Claims adjudication, customer service, reporting
 - Allows consumers to manage their benefits

PBM versus PBA?

- PBM:
 - Third party payer
 - Sets administrative fees for companies
 - Negotiates rebate arrangements
- PBA:
 - Offers full pass-through
 - Allows the consumer to manage their benefits
 - Higher admin fees for claims processing

Acts/policies that govern PBMs/PBAs

- Medicare Modernization Act 2003
 - Addresses transparency for pharmacy benefits service providers
- TIPPS
 - Certification process – HR Policy Association
 - Transparency in Pharmaceutical Purchasing Solutions
 - Requires PBMs to disclose actual acquisition costs
 - Requires passing rebates on to clients directly

Programmatic funding considerations

- ACTF price negotiations
- Rebates
 - Direct purchase vs. Rebate State rates
 - Full
 - Partial pay



**Day after day after day.....
How do you keep the herd moving?**

Help is on the way

- Federal Health Reform (selected provisions)
 - Minimum drug rebate level on brands: 23.1% (retroactive Jan 1, 2010)
 - Minimum drug rebate level on generics: 13%
 - ADAP as TrOOP (2011)
 - Establishes a temporary high risk insurance pool (7/2010 - 2014)

Help is on the way: Beyond 2011

- Health reform (selected provisions)
 - State Medicaid increased FPL: 133% (2014)
 - Removes pre-existing condition exclusions and higher premiums (2014)
 - Adds mandatory benefits package (2014)
 - Increases private health insurance affordability
 - Elimination of the donut hole by 2020



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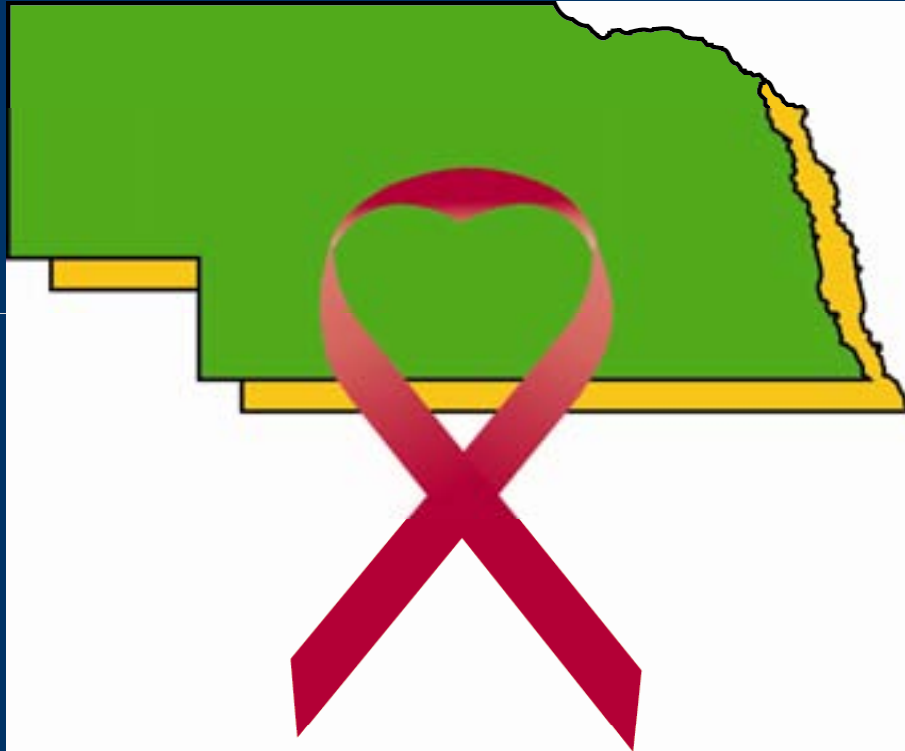
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Not exactly a Mountain, but this is Carhenge in Alliance, Ne



At the Heart of the Matter



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