

Committee Structure



Management Steering Committee Process, Roles and Expectations

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Consumerism



- In 1962, JFK presented the idea of consumerism otherwise known as the Consumer Bill Of Rights:
- 1 The Four Basic Rights
 - 1.1 The Right to Safety
 - 1.2 The Right to Be Informed
 - 1.3 The Right to Choose
 - 1.4 The Right to Be Heard
- 2 Expansion to eight rights (1985)
 - 2.1 The right to satisfaction of basic needs
 - 2.2 The right to redress
 - 2.3 The right to consumer education
 - 2.4 The right to a healthy environment

“The right to be heard”

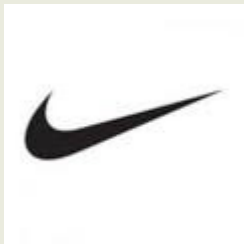


- This right asserts the ability of consumers to voice complaints and concerns about a product in order to have the issue handled efficiently and responsively

Translation in 2011



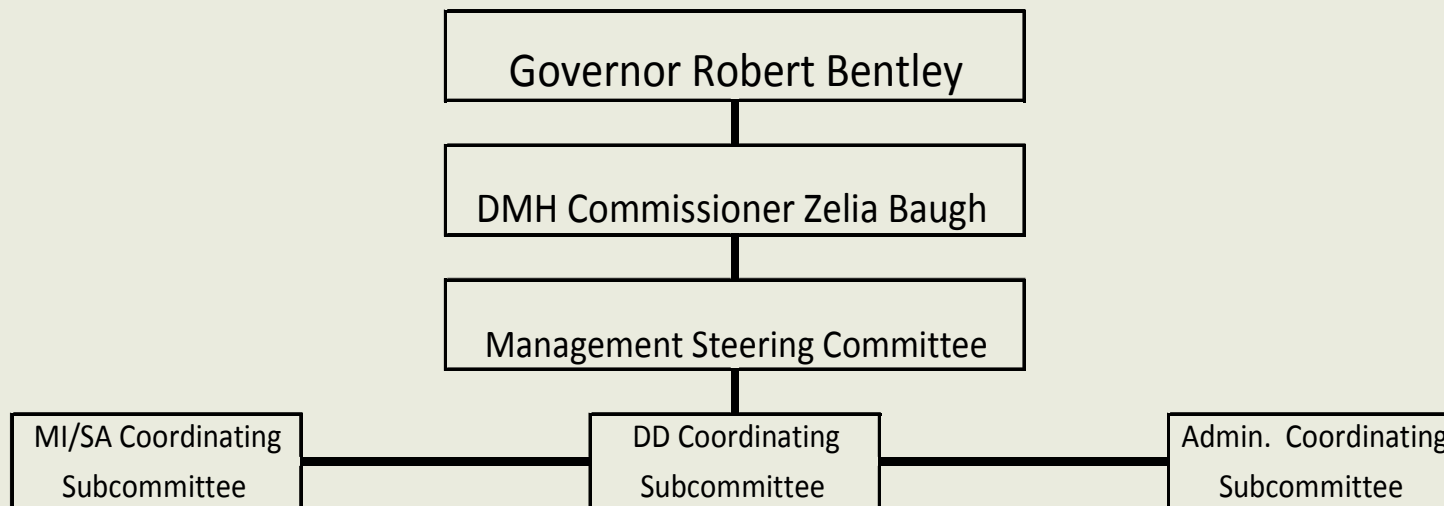
- Champions of Excellence listening and responding to consumers 'Needs' and 'Wants'



Planning and Budgeting



DMH Management Steering Committee Process



Management Steering Committee Process



- Equal Partnership and Participation for Primary and Secondary Consumers (families/caretakers)
- Equal Participation in Strategic Planning and Operations Budgeting
- Person Centered Treatment and Care Planning
- Consumer and Family Driven System

Responsibilities



- Regular Attendance
- Research and Homework
- Preparation
- Active Participation and Input
- Ask Questions
- Compose Summary of Salient Points
- Timely Distribution of Handout Materials
- Request Clarity of NAMI Position
- Assertive Advocacy
- Show Everyone Respect

Olmstead and ADA

- June 22, 2011 Letter (anniversary of the Olmstead US Supreme Court decision).
- “....prohibits the unjustified segregation of individuals with disabilities.”
- “Most integrated setting”
- “EBP that provide scattered-site housing with supportive services are examples of integrated settings.”
- “Consumer choice and provides opportunities to live, work and receive services in the greater community”
- Olmstead Plan

NAMI Policy Positions?



- In order to represent NAMI Alabama, one must understand what positions the NAMI Alabama Board take on public policy and healthcare issues that concern consumers and families.
- For instance:

Medicaid Buy-In

VAST STATE DISPARITIES

9 States do NOT have Medicaid Buy-in for Workers with Disabilities*

- Alabama
- Colorado
- Delaware
- District of Columbia
- Florida

- Hawaii
- Montana
- Oklahoma
- Tennessee

- Eacted, federal law 1999

State Health Exchanges



In 2014, *Exchange policies must offer “essential health benefits” (section 1302 (b))*

- “Mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health treatment” are included as a category within “essential health benefits”
- The yardstick = “private health insurance plans”
- The Secretary will issue guidance

Current Issues



- Alabama Health Insurance Exchange
- Real fully integrated Mental Health Parity in Insurance
- Service reconfiguration (Medicaid options and waivers)
- Single portal of entry to services – myalabama.gov
- Access to individualized services that promote recovery
- Family Psycho-education replaced with Family to Family, an evidenced based practice
- Outreach to those families and consumers who need assistance

Current Issues (cont.)



- Closure of institutions – Olmstead Decision – efficient use of tax dollars
- Access to safe, affordable, decent housing (but not institutions)
- Access to treatment (integrated MI and SA)
- Full partner in treatment planning (person centered planning)
- Access to employment or other productive activity (P2P, Connections, PSS, peer bridger, etc.)
- Coordinated healthcare with mental health care (one stop comprehensive care)
- Preventing continued criminalization of mental illness