

Memo from Medicaid Advisory Committee  
To Health System Transformation Team  
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The Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC) has reviewed the Straw-Person Summary of Coordinated Care Organizations (CCOs) and would like to highlight a critical point for consideration by the Health Systems Transformation Team (HSTT). While the Committee believes that the overall HSTT vision is moving our health care delivery system in the right direction, there is consensus that the current proposal fails to adequately address long-term care (LTC).

The MAC developed a set of guiding principles that prioritizes seven service areas/domains of care. These principles are intended to provide guidance to the Oregon Health Authority as it looks to restructure service delivery regardless of the cause for restructure. Two of these principles are:

- Ensuring care coordination across service domains; and
- Ensuring efficient and effective long-term care.

By decoupling LTC services and supports from CCOs and removing that piece from the proposed global payment system, we will continue to silo critical components of our health care delivery system. Continuing to fragment pieces of the health care system will perpetuate difficulty in coordinating care across service domains and does not ensure provision of efficient and effective LTC. A true CCO should incorporate these critical aspects of the delivery system and ensure financial accountability across the entire spectrum of care.