

<b>Meeting / Committee Name</b>	<b>Peer Support Stakeholder Workgroup</b>
<b>Date</b>	January 18, 2018
<b>Time / Duration</b>	1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (4 hours)
<b>Location</b>	Brown-Heatly Room 3501 4900 North Lamar Blvd , Austin, Texas 78751
<b>Committee Member Attendees</b>	Noah Abdenour, Dennis Bach, Frank Davis, Patty Doty, Ellen Goodman, Anna Gray, Stevie Hansen, Colleen Horton, Jason Johnson, Meredith Jones, Sachin Kamble, Janet Paleo, Joseph Sanchez, Karla Rose, Gregg Sherrill, Stephanie Jack  On Call: Jason Howell, Stanley Williams, Amelia Murphy, Karla Rose, Stephanie Jack
<b>Additional Participants</b>	HHSC: Robyn Strickland, Sheri Jackson, Wendy Latham, Laura Munch, Suling Homsy, Rebekah Falkner, Laura Jourdan, Laura Gold

Welcome, Introductions, and Logistical Announcements	
<b>Agenda</b> 1:00 – 1:10	Robert Dole and Jay Todd convened the meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introductions</li> <li>• Reviewed housekeeping items</li> </ul>
<b>Documents Presented</b>	Participant Agenda

Review of definitions: <b>Noah Abdenour with HHSC Staff</b>	
<b>Agenda</b> 1:10 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	<p>The Chair Noah Abdenour opened the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TAC citations are at the footnotes of the roman numerals in Definitions and new definitions will be written out in plain language on the definitions, so layperson can easily access definition</li> <li>• This rule is for the layperson and not just the provider</li> <li>• Reviewed previously agreed upon language in definitions</li> <li>• Policy has written up workgroup ideas to be forwarded to CMS on details (age) on how Peer Support services can be billed for 18-21 in Medicaid... issue with it turning into 0-18 Medicaid Service by accident (since Child's Benefits would overlap with Adults if they were 18) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 3 areas in the Concept Paper will to CMS will include: 18+ for Medicaid, Recovery Organizations that aren't affiliated with a group being able to bill Medicaid, and Supervision</li> <li>○ Projected Timeline for Concept Paper: No definitive answer, CMS has 3-4wks to review, and then will meet with HHSC</li> </ul> </li> <li>• CMS defines adult as 21+, where Adult Services define as 18+. Workgroup absolutely recommends 18+ for this service.</li> <li>• Can the group suggest a strategy for the State Medicaid Plan to address the 18+ services</li> </ul>

## Review of definitions: Noah Abdenour with HHSC Staff

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a precedent that 18+ Medicaid is a Psychosocial Rehab service (example to be used/based off of peer strategy)</li> </ul> <p><b>Decision Point – Relationship Focused</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Original definition came from SAMHSA/federal definitions, to coincide with this would be good</li> <li>• “Non-directive” is the most essential term, to help clarify the role to not only peers but other providers. Essential to train peers not to fix.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Self-directive: in case a peer asks for a suggestion between two choices, this may keep the conversation open rather than having the peer specialist saying “No I can’t help direct it”. We don’t want to remove opportunity to let an individual say what they need.                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Trained peers are taught this when they’re certified, so we may not need to include it in the rule definition</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ “Self-direction” can help guide the understanding of the individual to be empowered</li> <li>○ This essential word could also be added to a different area of the rule</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Perhaps wordsmith/synonyms; we are just trying to make sure to emphasize the job as a peer is not to tell individuals what to do.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ SAMHSA’s 10 Guiding Principles in trainings: if we are defining “relationship focused”, we are just trying to empower the individual, and the first definition really does this.</li> </ul> </li> <li>•</li> </ul>
<b>Documents Presented</b>	Definitions

## Discussion of Subchapters B & C: Robert Dole

<p>Agenda 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Age Allowed to be Peer</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motioned to keep the age at 18 by vast majority</li> </ul> <p><b>Grandfather Clause</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Could this be moved to a different place in the rules (near the reciprocity part?)</li> <li>• Certification is a long process which should be honored, but with the new definitional distinctions, they’re going to need additional training anyway (pre-certified or not), in refresher course</li> <li>• Add consideration of “good standing” being grandfathered/ethic violations</li> <li>• Could affect reciprocity, especially moving state to state</li> </ul> <p><b>Minimum Qualifications</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is this where we define what “advancing” peer specialist roles are?</li> <li>• <b>**Request:</b> The group needs a run-down of this new model that we are developing before they can really give good input.</li> </ul>
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	<p><b>Criminal Bars</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can we use an LCDC ethics/crime definitions that are already created?</li> <li>• The current list sets barriers for peers much higher than licensed physicians/other providers</li> <li>• Opinion: Why do we have bars if the purpose of this group is to assess how Medicaid will interact with these peers?</li> <li>• Clarifications on repeat offenders</li> </ul>
<b>Documents presented</b>	Subchapters B and C

Questions and Answers	
Agenda 4:30-5:00 p.m.	<p><b>Education</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Taking a look at Colorado's language Going to go back to the internal workgroup.</li> </ul>
<b>Action Items by Topic</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue discussion regarding members lack of attendance (missed meetings and frequency)</li> </ul>
<b>Action Item</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next Meeting February</li> </ul>