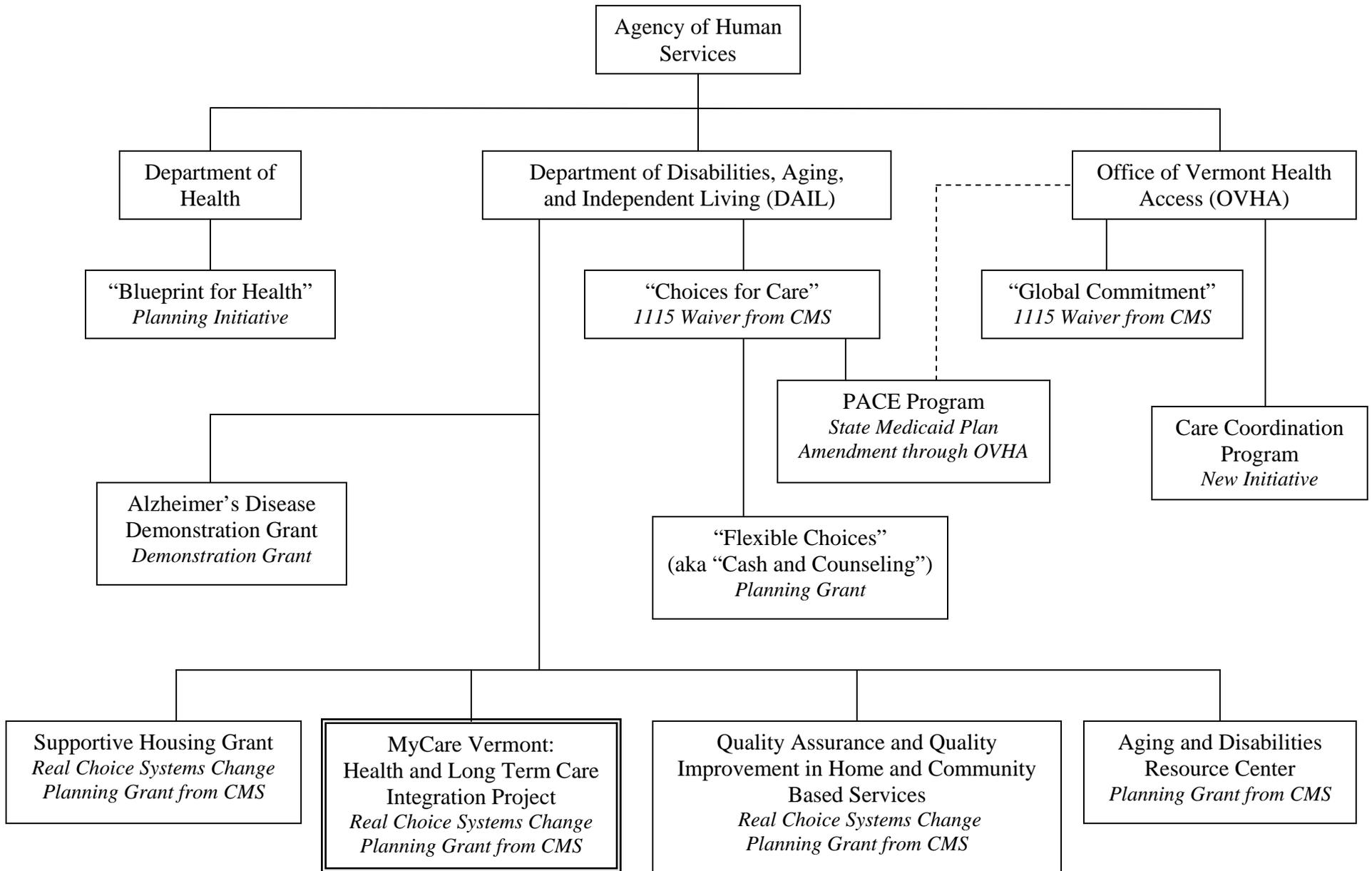


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MyCare Vermont**

Descriptions

DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES, AGING AND INDEPENDENT LIVING (DAIL):

Choices for Care – 1115 Waiver from the federal Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

- Individuals can receive long term care services only.
- Medicaid Individuals eligible for Long-Term Care Medicaid (Elderly and younger physically disabled)
- Provides long-term care services (PCA, adult day, case management, emergency response, home modifications), Nursing Home, ERC.
- Responsible for managing budget neutrality for all the acute and primary care for this population
- *Fee-for-service*

PACE Program (Program for All-inclusive Care for the Elderly):

- Individuals can receive acute, primary and long term care services in one package
- Must be 55 years or older
- Must be eligible for Long Term Care Medicaid
- Is a State Medicaid Plan Amendment through OVHA, administered through DAIL
- *Capitated payment Medicaid and Medicare*

Flexible Choices (formerly “Cash and Counseling”)

- Individuals receive a “cash” benefit (through vouchers) to purchase and manage their long term care services only
- Self-directed care that provides flexibility for individuals to purchase non-traditional long-term care services
- *Capitated payment determined individually–Cash value of PCA services*

Demonstration Grant:

Alzheimer’s Disease Demonstration Grant to States

- Grant has four parts: two programs and two training components
- Dementia Respite Program: to prevent caregiver burnout and prevent or delay nursing home placements by providing respite care to family caregivers so they may remain in their roles.
- Caregiver Bridges: to establish links between primary care practices and other community providers, in order to improve and expand services for people with dementia and their family caregivers.
- Two training components: 1. Increase capacity of case managers, eldercare clinicians and other community providers to address the physiological and psychological needs of family caregivers; 2. Training for support teams of individuals with developmental disabilities and dementia.
- *Funding is a mix of state general funds and federal grant funds.*

Real Choice Systems Change Planning Grants from CMS:

Supportive Housing Grant

- A planning grant to figure out how individuals can receive supportive services in congregate housing settings so they can “age in place.”
- *Funding is from a federal Real Choice Systems Change grant.*

MyCare Vermont: Health and Long Term Care Integration Project

- Develop a model that integrates funding streams and integrates acute/primary and long-term care service delivery as a choice for elderly who are frail, at-risk or chronically ill and adults with physical disabilities for individuals who are Medicaid eligible.
- *Once operational, new provider entity will receive a capitated payment*

Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement in Home and Community Based Services

- A grant to develop quality assurance (QA) and quality improvement (QI) systems for programs for individuals receiving waiver services from the department, to ensure waiver services are adequate, appropriate and of high quality.
- The goal is to have a consistent system of QA and QI across waiver services and supports.
- *Funded through a grant from CMS.*

Planning Grant from CMS:

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Grant

- Establishes highly-visible and trusted places in the community where people can go for comprehensive information, referral and assistance, short-term case management, and eligibility screening and determination.
- Designs a streamlined eligibility process for Medicaid and Medicaid LTC for one-stop shopping.
- Serves older adults, people with physical or developmental disabilities, and/or traumatic brain injury.
- *Funded through grants from CMS and the Administration on Aging*

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH:

Blueprint for Health

- A project targeted at all Vermonters to enhance cooperation between providers, patients, the community, and insurers
- Supports health care providers to deliver world class care through the provision of improved information technologies and training in chronic care issues
- Optimizes treatment options for people with chronic disease by creating information networks that allow them to tap into community resources, classes, and activities to improve quality of life
- *Funding from legislative appropriation*

OFFICE OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS (OVHA):

Global Commitment - 1115 Waiver from CMS

- Serves Medicaid population with the exception of Individuals eligible for Choices for Care Medicaid Waiver (Elderly and younger physically disabled)
- Provides program flexibility
- Responsible for budget neutrality for populations served
- *Currently fee-for-service*

Care Coordination Program

- Regionally-based program RN/Medical Social Worker Teams will work in collaboration with PCP.
- Targets most expensive cases, no clinical eligibility
- *Fee-for Service: reimbursement is enhanced bill for care plans and time spent in monthly care conferences*