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**Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease**  
**Update on Out-of State Placements**

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# Alzheimer's or Dementia Recipients Placed Out of State

The following is a count of Medicaid Fee-for-Service recipients with a diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease, Dementia or related condition placed in an out of state nursing facility.

State	2015	2016	2017 (through Sept)
Idaho	*	*	*
Utah	15	11	*

\*The data element falls below the HIPAA threshold that can be reported.





# Challenges to Preventing Out of State Placement

- Lack of beds available in Nevada facilities
- Inability of facilities to meet care needs
- Lack of secure units for recipients who have elopement or wandering behaviors
- For individuals 22-65 years of age, community based resources to support a recipient, as well as their caregiver, to remain in a least restrictive environment





## Efforts to Return Out of State Recipients to Nevada

- If initiated by the recipient and/or family member, an assessment will be conducted
- Factors considered to relocate a recipient includes:
  - the affect an interstate move will have on the health and welfare of the individual
  - Availability and appropriateness of an in-state facility to meet the care needs of a recipient



# Behaviorally Complex Care Program

## **Eligible Individuals**

- Fee for Service recipients over 18 years of age
- Have a severe, medically-based behavior disorder, which causes diminished capacity for judgment, or
- Meets the criteria for nursing facility level of care and who has a medically-based mental health disorder or diagnosis and exhibits significant behaviors
- History of persistent disruptive behavior that is not easily altered and requires an increase in resources from nursing facility staff



# Determinations for BCCP

- 480 recipients were reviewed for the BCCP program in 2017
  - 423 initial reviews
  - 150 reviews completed and denied
  - 57 were redeterminations for tier level
    - 16 Tier 1 reviews were approved for a different tier
    - 10 Tier 2 reviews were approved for a different tier
    - 31 Tier 3 reviews were approved for another tier
  - 17 recipients were discharged or are now deceased





# Impact of the BCCP on Out of State Placements

- Since May 2016, 3 individuals were approved for the BCCP program preventing an out of state placement.
- Currently there are 313 recipients of the BCCP program in Nevada





# Training for Facilities the BCCP

- LTSS offers and provides training to facilities on
  - Policy
  - Provider responsibilities
  - Documentation and
  - Requirements
- This training is offered both at the individual facility level and group level





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