DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY SAFETY NET PROGRAM

DDSN

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Developmental Disability Safety Net Program (DDSN)

DDSN Eligibility

In an effort to leverage additional federal funds as a result of SB74 Home and Community Based Services reforms, Senior and Disabilities Services (SDS) is in the process of implementing a new Medicaid Waiver program that will take the place of the Community Developmental Disabilities Grant (CDDG) program.

600 individuals have been selected from the developmental disabilities waitlist and offered the opportunity to apply for the Individualized Supports Waiver (ISW) to receive home and community based waiver services. Individuals who have been supported by the CDDG program in the past who are found to not meet the level of care required for waiver services might be eligible to continue to receive limited grant-funded supports through the DD Safety-Net program beginning July 1, 2018.

SDS has set aside limited funding to support individuals who have been receiving CDDG services, are Medicaid eligible, do not meet the institutional level of care required for waiver services, but are in need of services to remain independent. The DD Safety-Net funds will be administered by Stone Soup Group, a statewide Parent Navigation and STAR agency that has expertise in assisting families and individuals with developmental disabilities.

DD Safety Net Process - from selection to services

1. An individual is assessed for the ISW or IDD Waiver and found to not meet the Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID) level of care, as determined by the SDS IDD Unit.
2. The individual is referred by the SDS IDD Unit to the SDS Grants Unit.
3. The Grants Unit will check to see if the individual has been receiving CDDG services and if so, the Grants Unit will refer the individual to the Stone Soup Group DD Safety-Net program.
4. Once referred, the Stone Soup Group STAR Coordinator will contact the individual and conduct a Person Centered Intake, provide options counseling, and work with the individual to develop a person centered plan based on the individual's needs and preferences. Stone Soup Group will have access to each person's service history in SAMS.
5. An annual cost cap per individual of $10,000 will be determined based on the number of eligible individuals.
6. Individuals will be able to select services from a broad array of providers and are no longer limited to providers of CDDG services.
7. Stone Soup Group will connect the individual with services, provide on-going monitoring and support, and will reimburse providers, through an established provider agreement, for services using Medicaid rates.
8. The DD Safety-Net program and process will be evaluated annually to ensure satisfaction for consumers and providers.

DD Safety Net Fund Limitations

1. Once level of care determinations have been made and 600 people have qualified as eligible for ISW, referral to the DD Safety-Net program for will be closed.
2. Future applicants for the ISW and IDD Waivers who do not meet ICF/IID level of care and have not been receiving CDDG services are not eligible for limited DD Safety-Net funds.

DDSN Services

Eligible individuals will be able to continue receiving services through the DDSN program Services available through the DDSN program include:

- Day Habilitation
- Group Day Habilitation
- In Home Supports
- Supported Living
- Supported Employment
- Respite
- Daily Respite
- Transportation within the community
- Transportation outside of the community
- Intensive Active Treatment
- Personal Care Services

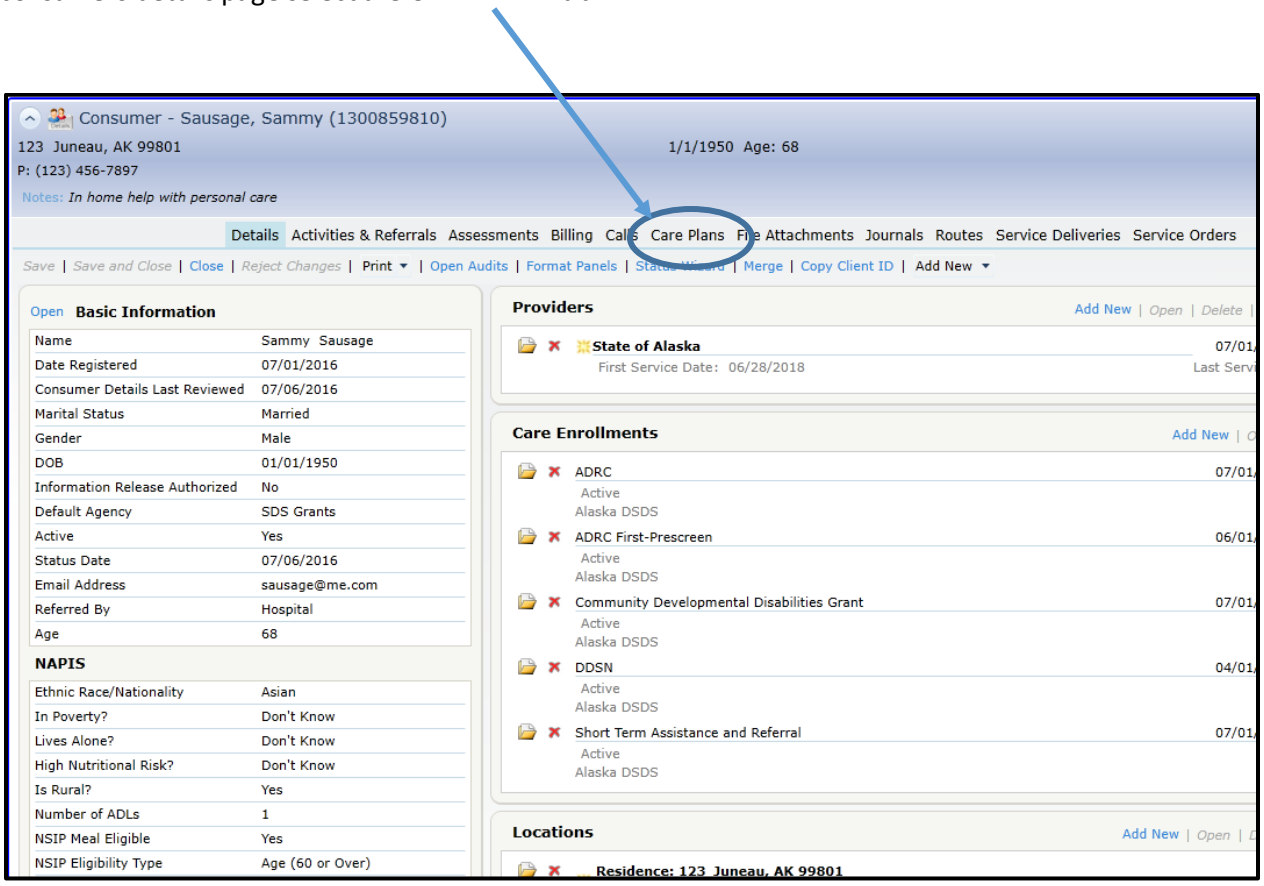
Each services will be 'billed' at the established Medicaid rates, found on the SDS website. Stone Soup Group will use the ISW Cost Calculator to develop a person centered plan that best meets the individual needs of each DDSN recipient.

Creating a care plan for the Developmental Disability Safety Net (DDSN) program

Care Enrollment

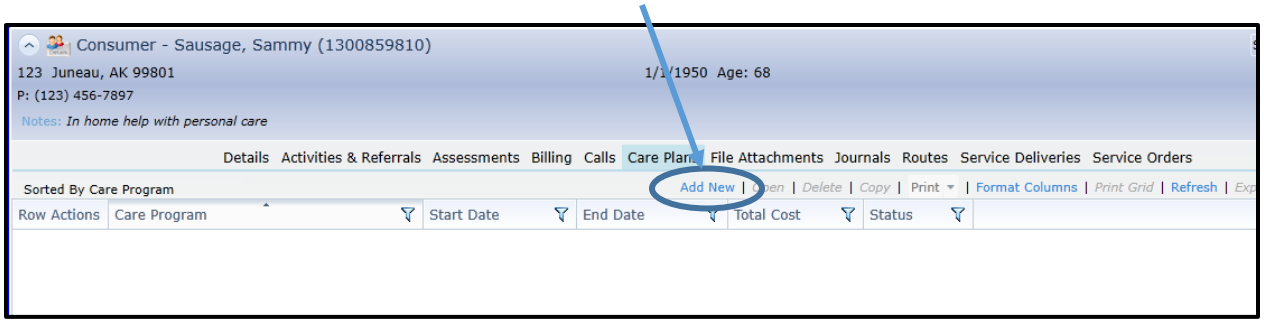
Enroll the person in the DDSN care enrollment program, and ensure the provider is attached to the individual

On the consumers details page select the CARE PLAN Tab



Add a new Care Plan

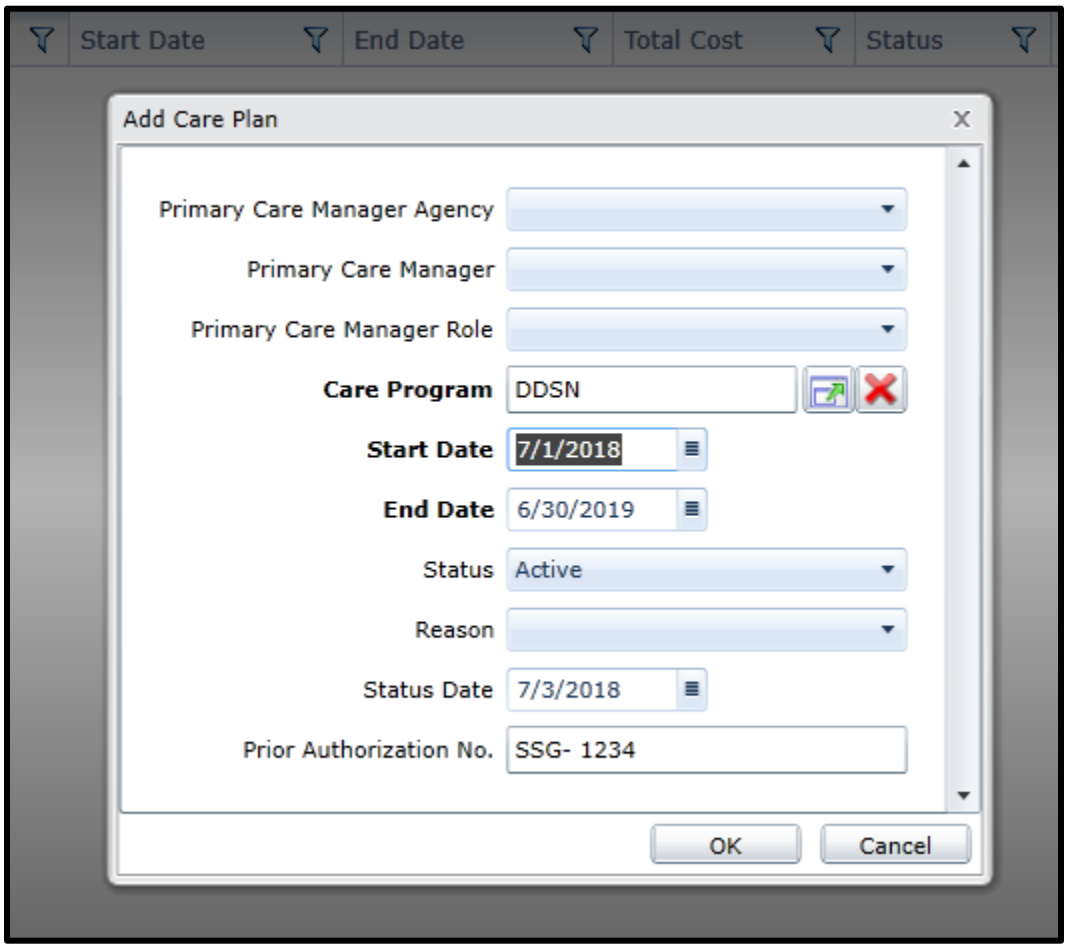
To create a new Care Plan specifically for the DDSN select Add New:



Care Plan start and end date

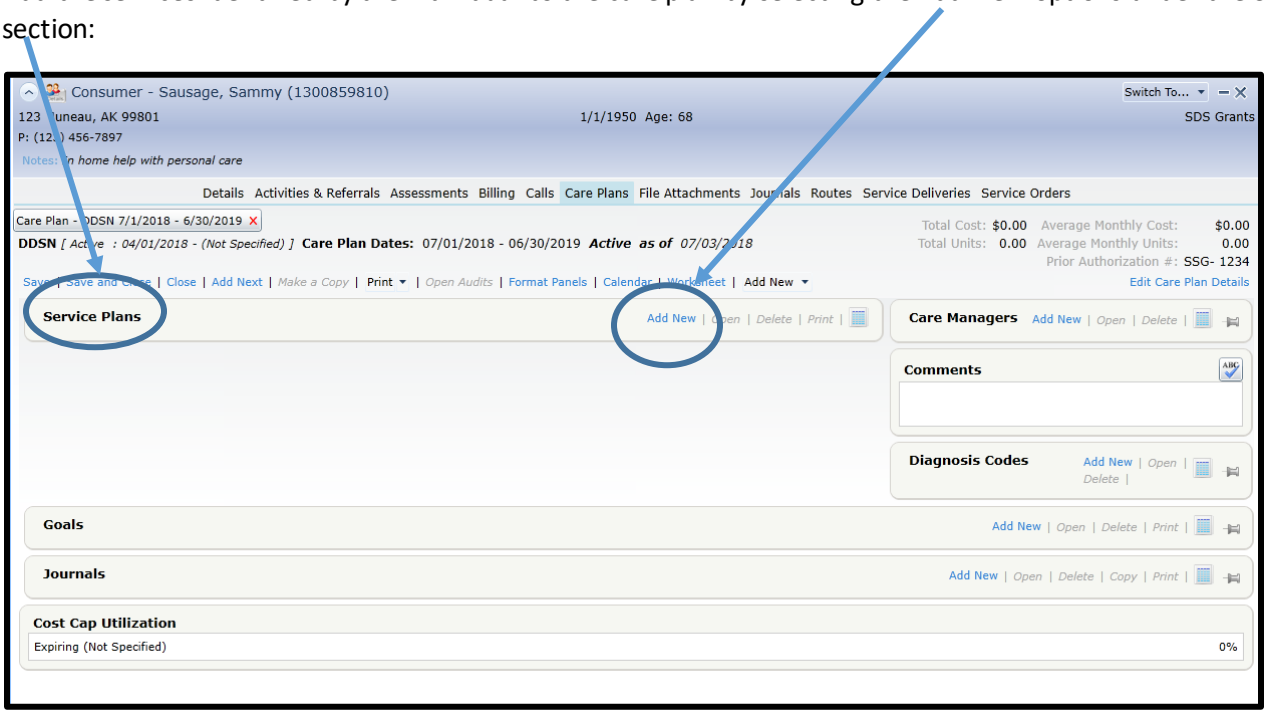
In the Add Care Plan Window:

1. Select the DDSN from the Care Program Options
2. Select the start date of the services plan
3. Select the End date of services (12 months after the start date)
4. SSG- Can use the Prior Authorization No. to track within SAMS if needed.
5. Select OK to open the plan outline



Adding Services to the care plan

Add the services identified by the individual to the care plan by selecting the Add New options under the Services plan section:

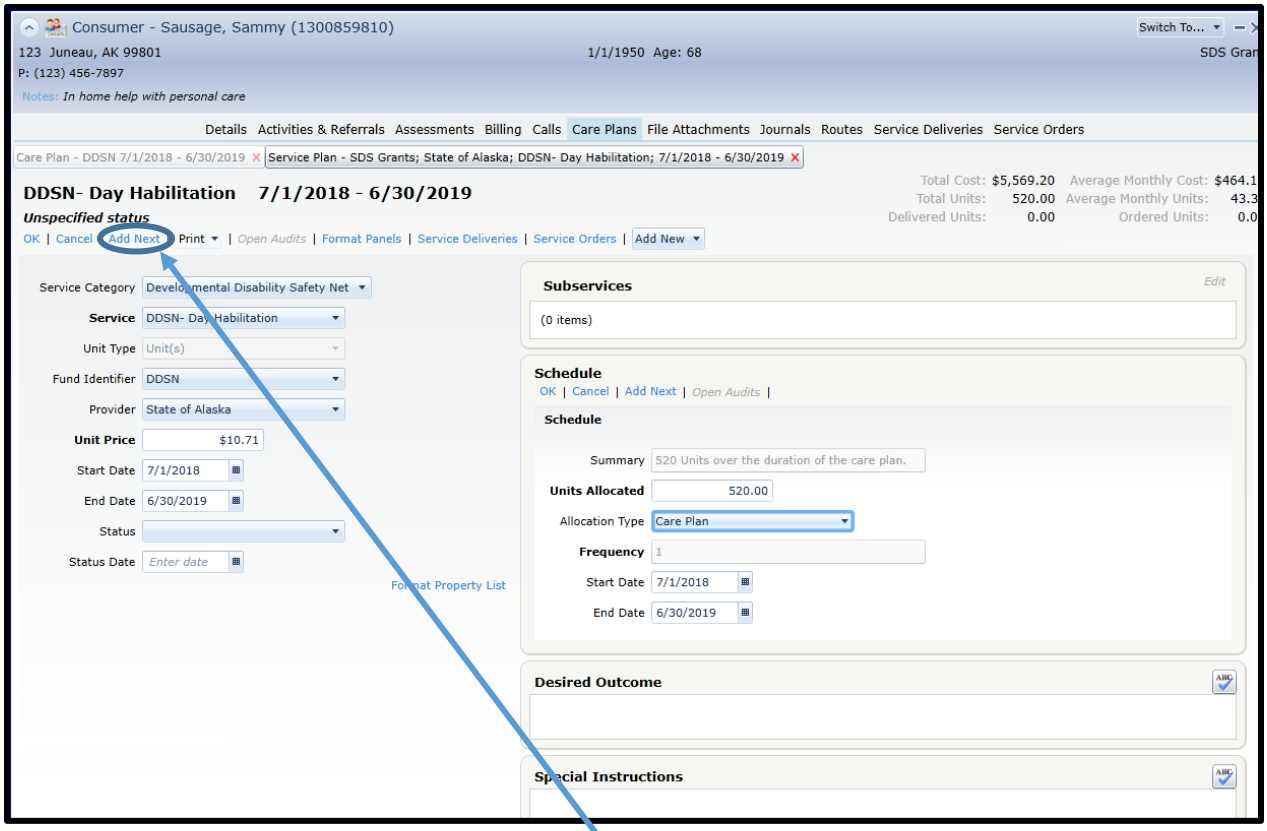


*Note- Please use the ISW calculator found on the SDS website to determine the number of units authorized for each service the individual selects. Once the individual determines their $10,000 services plan budget using this calculator, the plan can be created.

Identifying Care Plan services and units

Select:

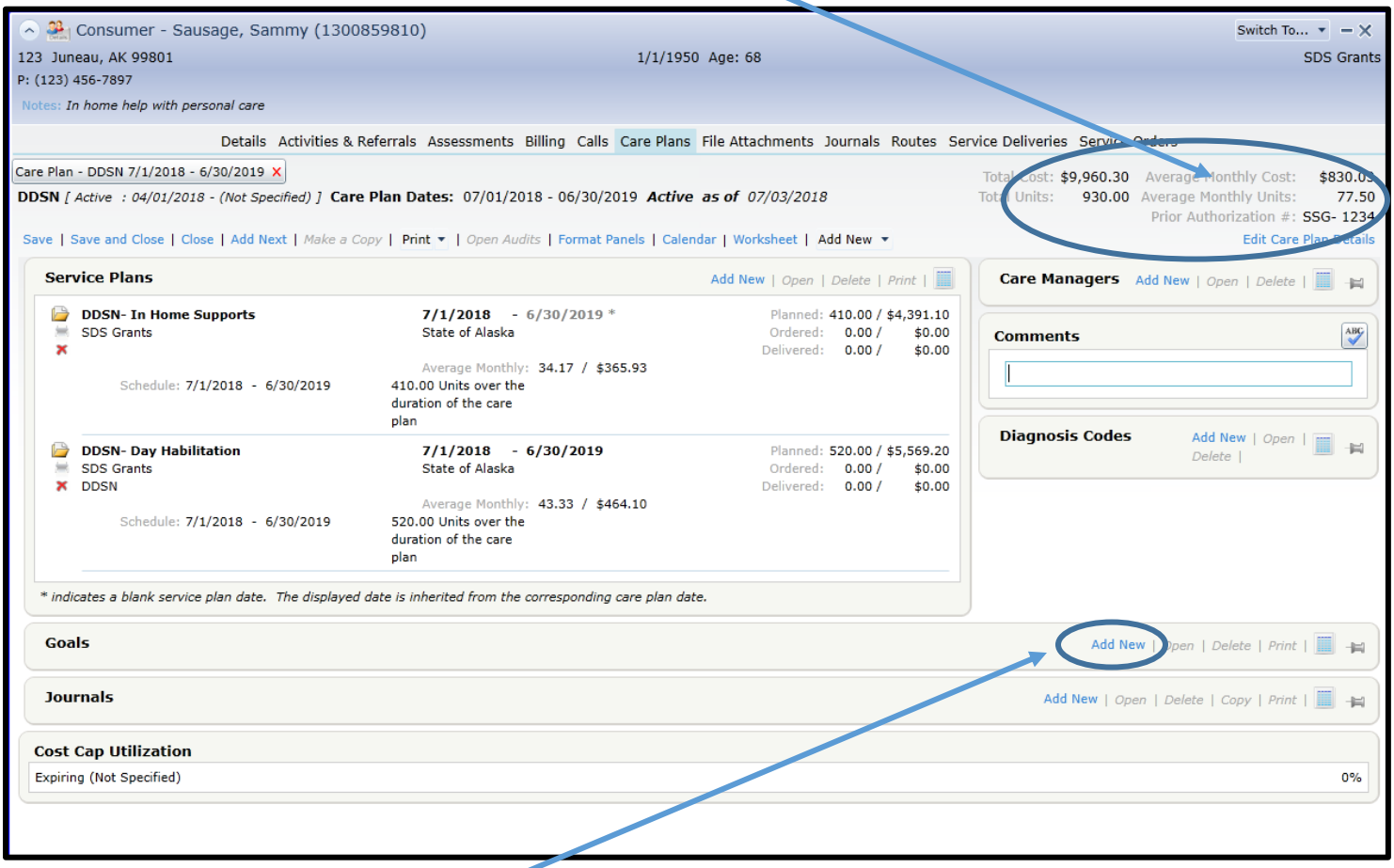
1. Service Category- Developmental Disability Safety Net
2. Service- Whichever service the individual chooses
    a. Daily respite
    b. Day Habilitation
    c. Group Day Habilitation
    d. In Home Supports
    e. Intensive Active Treatment
    f. PCS
    g. Respite
    h. Supported Employment
    i. Supported Living
    j. Transportation In community
    k. Transportation Outside of community
3. Enter the Fund Identifier- DDSN
    a. This will attach the Medicaid rates to each service, and show the annual cost of the care plan
4. Select the Provider the person wishes to use, and has an established Provider Agreement with Stone Soup Group
5. Select a Start and End Date, typically a year and should match the dates selected in Step 3.



6. Identify the number of units allocated for that services
7. Identify the allocation Type- Select care plan if services are to be provided over the year of the care plan start and end dates
8. Repeat each step above to add a new service by selecting Add Next

Safety Net Cost review

Once all services are identified the Total Cost of the service plan will show in the upper right section of the care plan. Ensure the service award amount is within the allowable total for the DDSN program (currently $10,000.00):



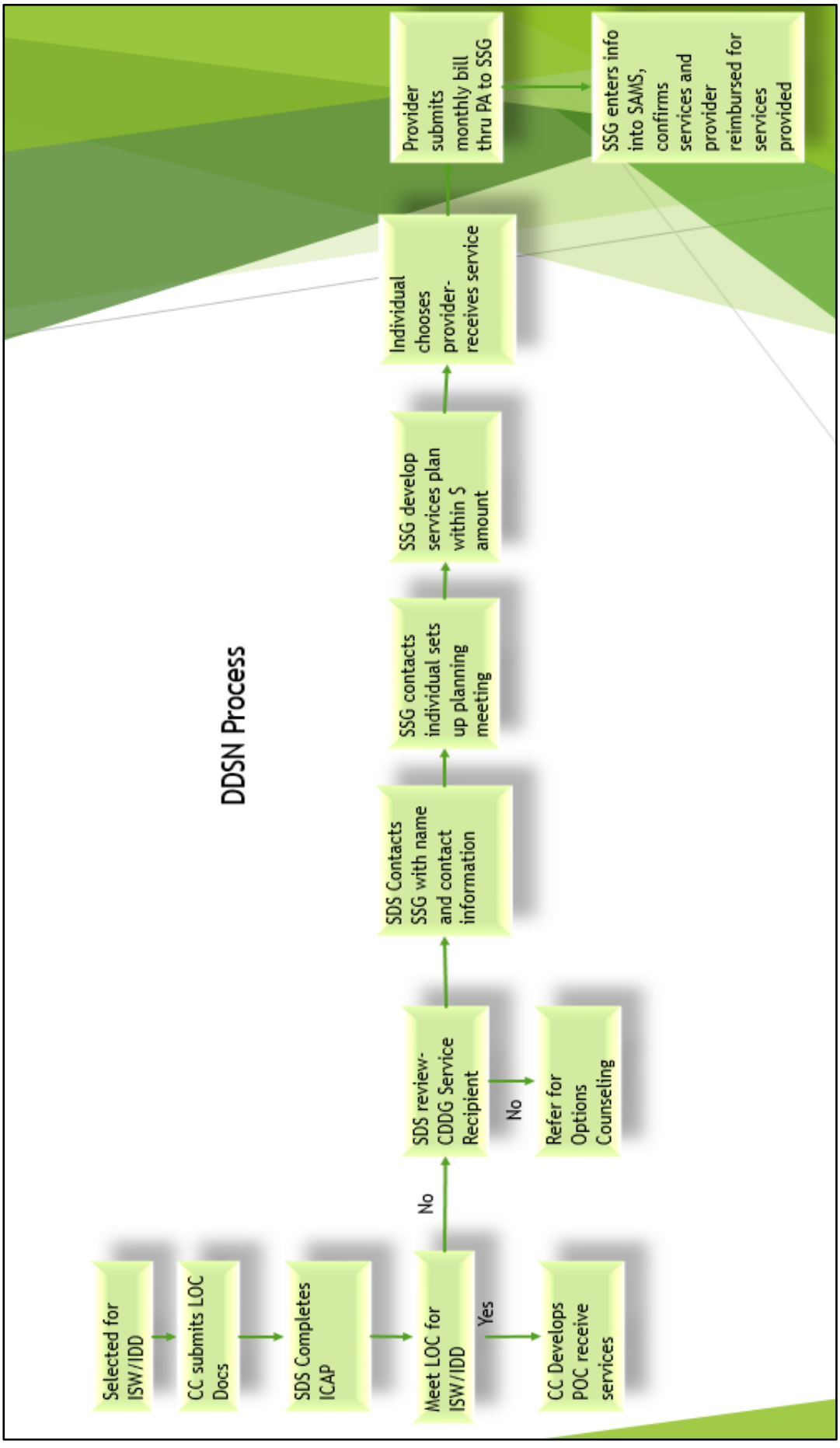
Goal Developments

Goals should be identified by the individual and added to the care plan. Goals should be specific to each services requested and selected in the care plan. Goals should be discussed with the individual, and identified by selecting "Add New" in the Care plan next to goals.

Select:

1. Goal – Select goal area to be worked on from the Drop down list
2. Target Date
3. Under Comments- Identify specific goals related to the Goal Selected
4. Repeat steps 1-3 for each service

Once all above steps have been selected the plan can be saved and printed, with a copy going to the individual and the provider agency for reference.

Provider agencies will be required to report monthly to Stone Soup Group the number of units provided to each DDSN recipient, attached with an invoice to receive payment. Once services have been entered into SAMS by Stone Soup Group, payment will be issued to the provider for services provided to the individual.

DDSN Process