Workshop on Technology-Dependent Children

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Agenda

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9:00 Refreshments
9:15 Opening remarks
   Clyde Behney, OTA Health Program Manager
   Judith Wagner, Project Director Technologies and Child Health
   Elaine Power, Study Director, Technology Dependent Children
9:30 Defining the population of technology-dependent children
   ● discussion of economic implications of alternative definitions for children, providers, payers
   ● current research on definitions
   ● potentially useful combinations of candidate definitions
   ● definitions not included in candidate list
   ● the place of case-by-case review in defining for Medicaid eligibility purposes
11:00 Break
11:15 Defining the population (continued)
   ● discussion of criteria for judging definitions
   ● assessment of candidate definitions according to criteria
12:30 Lunch
1:30 Data sources
   ● approaches to getting data
   ● programs, offices, states, etc. collecting data on this group
2:00 Changes in the technology-dependent population
   ● current evidence on trends
   ● changes due to extension of current technology (e.g., more NICUS, trauma centers, extended access to treatments)
   ● changes due to new technologies (e.g., artificial surfactants)
   ● apparent changes due to the new availability of home services
4:00 Summary and closing remarks