Welcome Everyone

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SUD Reform Update and Stakeholder Engagement Planning
11:30-12:30

Presenter Today: Brian Zirbes | Deputy Director
Substance Use Disorder Section, Behavioral Health Division
• Update on Request for CMS Approval for SUD Reform New Services.

• Immediate Ideas for Consideration

• Stakeholder Engagement Planning for the 2019 Legislative Session.
Q & A Section:

• **For technical difficulties** please send your comments to “Jacob Owens” by selecting his name from the drop down menu in the Q&A section------>

• **Questions for today**: YourOpinionMatters.DHS@state.mn.us and put “Stakeholder Engagement" in the subject line.

  ➢ Submit questions or comments following the WebEx
  ➢ Request a presentation about SUD reform (e.g. regional provider meetings, provider/county meetings, etc.)
  ➢ Provide suggestions for future WebEx topics
Behavioral Health Division:
SUD Team Intros
CMS Update

Brian Zirbes | Deputy Director
• The Behavioral Health Division has not yet received approval to add comprehensive assessment, peer recovery support and treatment coordination to the Medicaid benefit set and to add Recovery Community Organizations, Counties and individuals in private practice as eligible vendors of certain substance use disorder services.

• The 2017 legislation identified the new services to be reimbursable July 1, 2018 or upon federal approval. Reimbursement for these services will not be available until CMS approval is obtained.
Once the state receives approval for these new services:

• **New vendors will need to:** enroll with the MN Health Care Programs.

• **Existing enrolled providers will need to:** update their assurance statement and be approved to provide the service through MHCP prior to providing and billing for the new services.

• **DHS will be amending its contract with the Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) and providers who have contracts with MCOs will need to amend their contracts, prior to billing for the new services.**
• We will continue to provide prompt updates through e-Memo and by WebEx on the status of our state plan amendment request.

• We will have a WebEx presentation very soon after approval to provide an overview of ‘What you need to do next.’
Immediate Ideas for Consideration
• After July 1, 2020, Rule 25 assessments will no longer be administered.

• Many current Rule 25 Assessors already meet the qualifications for completing a comprehensive assessment, although many do not. If enacted, this proposal will allow certain Rule 25 assessors the ability to provide comprehensive assessments effective immediately and until June 30, 2020, and if the individual completes required coursework by June 30, 2020, they are exempt from the internship requirements when working for a county, MCO or tribe doing comprehensive assessments July 1, 2020 and beyond. However, an individual would need to complete the internship requirement prior to providing any other substance use disorder service in any other setting.
Permit multi-disciplinary staff persons to participate in completion of comprehensive assessment.

- Current statute requires this be completed by an alcohol and drug abuse counselor, the proposal would require the alcohol and drug counselor to ensure the comprehensive assessment is complete and accurate, but would permit differently licensed professionals, such as registered nurse or licensed mental health professional to complete portions of the assessment that are in the differently licensed professional’s scope of practice.
Quality improvements to Opioid Treatment Programs

• Unbundle the per diem methodology; Incorporate federal regulations, which allows the state to enforce non-compliance directly without waiting for federal intervention; increase drug screens; streamline identification requirements for program participants; decrease maximum caseload size; increase utilization of prescription monitoring program, enhance oversight for take-home doses; add increased oversight for possible diversion events.
• Eliminate statement of need requirement for substance use disorder and detoxification programs seeking initial or capacity change in licensure.
Technical Fixes and Small Policy Changes

Various technical fixes and small policy changes to 245G related to citations, tweaks, and changing wording to align with CMS approval, etc.

- **Small policy change:** To ensure that the discharge summary contains current information, the change will require that the discharge summary to be done within 5 days of discharge, irrespective of the date of the decision to discharge. Also expands requirements for certain information to be contained in a discharge summary to include all clients instead of just those that complete the program.
Small policy change: that is responsive to stakeholder concerns by permitting educational groups to exceed 16 if a 16:1 client:ADC is maintained for the number of clients that exceed 16; Requires ADAD to maintain a list of individuals who do not meet the staff qualification requirements for alcohol and drug counselor but who are still qualified to provide treatment services by a different credential;

Providing clarity that individual and group counseling services must always be provided by an individual who meets the staffing qualification requirements of an alcohol and drug counselor.
Paperwork Reduction: This policy change removes the annual requirement for licensed SUD programs to provide financial information to DHS indicating the costs of their program operation.
• Proposal to allow a positive SBIRT screen, completed by a qualified provider to establish medical necessity for a “starter pack” of services.

• A starter pack would include 2 hours of peer support, 2 hours of SUD treatment coordination, and 4 hours of treatment, which could be individual or group.
Previous Stakeholder Engagement

• The 2016 Minnesota’s Plan for the Prevention, Treatment and Recovery of Addiction report was developed with stakeholder engagement input from:
  ❖ Core and fiscal stakeholder workgroups that were convened in 2016.
  ❖ The core workgroup incorporated and built on the recommendations of the 2013 Legislative Report: Minnesota's Model of Care for Substance use Disorder and the input collected in the fall 2015 ADAD listening sessions.

• A 2018 Minnesota’s Plan for the Prevention, Treatment and Recovery of Addiction report will be published later this year. The updated report will reflect the 2018 Behavioral Health Division substance use disorder policy recommendations.
During the June 7th SUD Reform WebEx, valuable feedback was gathered from participants as to how they would like to participate in the stakeholder engagement process this summer, which will influence the policy recommendations we bring forth to the 2019 legislative session.

82% of attendees requested a “series of web-based meetings (via WebEx) for participants to engage in.”

WebEx stakeholder engagement will allow the Division to obtain stakeholder input from a broad audience.

Participants can join the WebEx's based on availability and there is not an expectation that the same participants will be at each WebEx.
Stakeholder Engagement Plan

• Stakeholder Feedback Window:
  - July 12th- July 27th- Submit questions, comments, considerations on policy recommendations to youropinionmatters.dhs@state.mn.us. An e-Memo will be sent out following this WebEx with a link to the previous policy report, and a document to utilize when inputting feedback.

  - Feedback received will guide the information and format for the WebEx topics.

• Topic specific WebEx's begin:
  - August 6th-September 7th- Topic specific WebEx's will be held to gather feedback on previous policy recommendations

• Two Stakeholder Engagement “Updates” will be held:
  - Thursday, August 23rd 11:30am-12:30pm
  - Thursday, September 13th 11:30-12:30pm
Sub-workgroups and Topics

- From August 6th-September 7th a series of WebEx's will be available to participate. A registration link will be made available through our e-Memo subscription, “Friday’s Digest” and once this ppt is posted online.

- Sub-workgroups will review policies from the *Minnesota’s Plan for the Prevention, Treatment and Recovery of Addiction* report that were not passed into law in the 2017 legislative session and will include opportunities to provide feedback.

- Clinical, Primary Prevention, and Problem Gambling Sub-workgroups will be led by Behavioral Health Division staff and participation is open to WebEx registrants.

- Various WebEx’s pertaining to particular stakeholder engagement topics will be held at different times to encourage participation.
Clinical Services Sub-Workgroup

• Behavioral Health Division Lead: Amelia Fink-Clinical Services

• WebEx topic meetings, dates and times:
  • **Workforce Development and Withdrawal Management:**
    Monday, August 6\(^{th}\) 11:30am-12:30pm
  • **245G Recommendations:**
    Tuesday, August 14\(^{th}\) 3:00pm-4:00pm
  • **Opioids and OTP’s:**
    Thursday, August 30\(^{th}\) 12:30pm-1:30pm
  • **Cultural Recommendations and Additional Topics:**
    Tuesday, September 4\(^{th}\) 1:30pm-2:30pm
Primary Prevention Sub-Workgroup

- Behavioral Health Division lead: Phyllis Bengtson, Primary Prevention Policy Lead

- WebEx topic meeting dates and times:
  - **Planning & Implementation (P&I) Grants:**
    - Tuesday, August 7th 12:00pm-1:00pm- Phyllis Bengston
  - **Strategic Prevention Framework Partnerships for Success Grant (SPF-PFS):**
    - Thursday, August 9th 10:00am-11:00am- Darren Reed
Primary Prevention Sub-Workgroup

• Regional Prevention Coordinators (RPC’s), Minnesota Prevention Resource Center (MPRC), State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW):
  Tuesday, August 14th 11am-12:00pm - Phyllis Bengston

• Strategic Prevention Framework for Prescription Drugs (SPF Rx):
  Thursday, August 16th 12:00pm-1:00pm - Darren Reed
Problem Gambling Sub-Workgroup

• Behavioral Health Division lead: Trevor Urman, Prevention and Problem Gambling Section

• WebEx meeting dates and times:
  • August 29th 11:30am-12:30pm
  • September 4th 10:30am-11:30am

Topics: to be determined
2018 Stakeholder Engagement WebEx Registration and Schedules

• We will send out an e-Memo with the 2018 Stakeholder Engagement WebEx schedule.

• E-Memo’s will be sent prior to each 2018 Stakeholder engagement planning WebEx, including sub-workgroup WebEx’s.

• Registration information will be included with the e-Memo.
What do I do next?

1. Sign-up for the Stakeholder Engagement WebEx's
   An e-Memo will be sent out right after this WebEx with a link to register. If you are not signed up to receive e-Memos from us then go to the SUD Reform Page on the DHS website to subscribe.

2. Provide feedback during the Stakeholder Engagement feedback window
   July 12th-July 27th - A document will be sent on the e-Memo above that outlines the policy recommendations from 2016, you may use this to assist in sending feedback if you would like. Send feedback to youropinionmatters.dhs@state.mn.us

3. If you would like an opportunity to speak at an upcoming topic WebEx on a comment, question or consideration for the policy recommendations put forth, please feel free to email the team at the address above with your request.
Ways to Stay Informed

• Visit our website to:
  • Subscribe for email updates (e-Memo) to receive updates from the Behavioral Health Division on SUD
  • Learn more about substance use disorder policies and procedures, initiatives, workgroups, training and conferences, grant announcements, access forms and more

Look for our “Friday’s Digest” e-Memo!

• We want to hear from you about YOUR substance use disorder system. Send input to: YourOpinionMatters.DHS@state.mn.us
Next SUD Reform WebEx: August 2nd