Welcome Everyone

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Behavioral Health Division SUD Reform Update
11:30-1:00

Presenter Today: Charlie Mishek, et al.
Questions or Comments

Q & A Section:

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

• **Questions for today:** Submit questions using Q and A feature

• [YourOpinionMatters.DHS@state.mn.us](mailto:YourOpinionMatters.DHS@state.mn.us) and put “SUD Reform" 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
We have a new name....Behavioral Health Division!

We have combined the Alcohol and Drug Abuse and Mental Health Divisions. All with the goal of offering the right services to people as effectively and efficiently as possible.

• We believe “Behavioral Health” is:
  • Consistent with national trends and is in common use across the country,
  • Clear, not an acronym or jargon, and
  • To the point, emphasizing that mental health or substance use disorder is “health” and no different than any other chronic disease.
Behavioral Health Division: SUD Team Intros
Substance Use Disorder Reform Update

Presenter Today: Charlie Mishek et al.
The SUD Reform legislation authorized DHS to seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for the new services of comprehensive assessment, treatment coordination and peer support.

Doing this required DHS to apply for what is called a “State Plan Amendment”, (SPA) i.e. a change to our current State Medicaid benefit set, including proposed rates.
The proposed SPA was posted on the state register for public comment. At the end of the posting period the proposed SPA along with public comments were submitted to CMS for approval on May 16.

CMS has 90 days, until August 14th, to approve, deny, or stop the clock by asking questions. If the clock stops for questions, we have 90 days to respond and then CMS has one final 90-day clock to approve or deny.
New Codes and Proposed Rates

• New codes have been approved for the new services under SUD Reform and new rates have been proposed to CMS in the SPA
  • T1016- Treatment Coordination- proposed rate: $11.71 per 15 min unit
    • Must be billed with modifiers U8 and HN
  • H0038- Peer Recovery Support- proposed rate: $15.02 per 15 min unit
    • Must be billed with modifier U8
  • H0001- the Comprehensive Assessment- proposed rate: $162.24
Current Rule 25 Process

• Placing authority makes client eligibility determination under Rule 24 (CCDTF) and Rule 25

• Authorize service using MMIS Service Agreement

• Once approved by CMS, the new services will be available for individuals authorized via Service Agreement.
Direct Access Process

• Individuals will be able to access SUD services with a Comprehensive Assessment completed by an eligible vendor enrolled in MHCP

• This will not require placing authority authorization or MMIS Service agreement.

• Systems work is in process.
  • There are a number of variables that can impact the exact implementation date.
  • DHS will provide more detail as we get closer to implementation.
• Direct access may not be available immediately upon CMS approval of the new services, due to additional systems work that is required to support direct access.

• Systems work to support direct access is underway
• Entry into DAANES will continue to be required by a provider of an SUD service.

• There are no current changes to DAANES

• In the future, DAANES will experience adjustments to accommodate the need to collect information in a longitudinal model of care.
Q and A Portion:

Please utilize the Q and A Tab

First Q and A Topics

• Federal Approval
• Current Rule 25 Process at County or Tribe
• Direct Access Process
• MNITS Systems Design to Support Direct Access

Next topics...

• Provider Enrollment Requirements/Eligible Vendors
• Recovery Peer Certification
• Proposed Certification Bodies
• Treatment Coordinator training/Requirements
Provider Enrollment Requirements for New Eligible Vendors

• See Minnesota Statutes, section 254B.05, subd. 1 to see eligible vendors for SUD services.

• Provider manual changes are in process, instructions and assurance statements for newly eligible vendors of services are under development.

• Individuals enrolling for direct reimbursement should have their licensure and if needed, transcripts ready to submit to verify credentials of an Alcohol and Drug Counselor supervisor.
Recovery Peer Certification Requirements

• MN Statute 245G.11, subd 8, (3) states that a recovery peer must: “hold a current credential from a certification body approved by the commissioner that demonstrates skills and training in the domains of ethics and boundaries, advocacy, mentoring and education, and recovery and wellness support;”

• There are two entities that have current capacity to certify that a person has the skills and training noted above.
Proposed Certification Bodies

• Minnesota Certification Board- MCB

• National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals- NCCAP, which is part of NAADAC

DHS recognizes the current shortage of trained peers for SUD in the state and will be identifying modified compliance requirements while programs build capacity in this area.
• MN Statute 245G.11, subd 7, (a), 3 states that a person is qualified if the individual: “has successfully completed 30 hours of classroom instruction on SUD care coordination for an individual with substance use disorder;”

• In the process of applying for the SPA, the term Care Coordination was changed to Treatment Coordination
• The Behavioral Health Division has received inquiries about whether or not a specific training is “state approved” or “will meet the requirements”. We encourage each person to review the description of what the service of care coordination is, in the statute at 245G.07, subd.1, (a), 6, i-vii; and what the qualifications for a care coordinator are, at 245G.11, subd. 7, (a), 1-4, to verify whether the training in question covers those criteria.

• There are several groups providing a 30 hour training on treatment coordination at present, including schools and private training entities.
The statute further states that a treatment coordinator must have a bachelor’s degree, or certification from UMICAD as an alcohol and Drug counselor Level I.

The 30 hour training and bachelor’s degree requirements do not apply to a person who is qualified as an Alcohol and Drug Counselor under 245G.11.

Programs are required to have this service available but if an ADC provides this service, programs are NOT required to have a staff person titled and designated “treatment coordinator”
1115 Demonstration Project- “SUD Waiver”

• Application accepted by CMS as complete- posted on CMS website for 30 days beginning 5/22/2018.

• Request For Proposals released on May 21 for applicants
  • Two bidders conferences: May 24 in St. Cloud; May 31, in St. Paul
  • Applications must be submitted by June 25, 2018.

• Additional pieces of application to be submitted to CMS include:
  • Implementation Plan
  • Monitoring Plan
  • Evaluation Plan
1115 Demonstration Project- “SUD Waiver”

• RFP to select vendors is currently open

• FAQs for this RFP will be posted on June 8th.

• If you have inquiries about the RFP please contact Mikki Maruska by email michele.maruska@state.mn.us

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1-888-742-5095

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Sign-Up! E-MEMO and Website Resources

• Visit our [website](http://www.ourwebsite.com) to sign up for the E-memo to receive updates from the Behavioral Health Division on SUD.

• We are encouraging participants to review the SUD Reform e-memos and website resources available on the [website](http://www.ourwebsite.com) prior to attending the WebEx's. These materials provide information that is helpful to understand reform and its implications.
Ways to Stay Informed

• Visit our website to:
  • Subscribe for email updates (e-Memo) to receive updates from the Behavioral Health Division on SUD
  • SUD Resources and presentations are posted on the SUD Reform Page at our website: DHS Website
  • 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 WebEx: June 7th
Thank you for joining us
Behavioral Health Division