

**Quality Improvement Committee (QIC) Meeting
for SMH and SUD Treatment Services**

Date: 3/17/2022

10:00am-12:00 PM

Zoom

Meeting called by: Quality Improvement Team

Facilitator: Janet Hernandez Barajas

Attendees: Michael Lisman, Janet Barajas, Dana Edgull, Melanie Rhodes, Isaias Betancourt, Rich Wagreich, Cesar Anaya, Tawnya Majeski, LeeAnn Jones, Rachel Amerault, Jaqueline Gall, Nick Cronkite, Patricia Gish, Jordan Jack, Carmen Siordia, Cece Mendoza, Phil Sherwood, Yvette Carreon, Carmen Torres, Marta Sullivan, Arturo Uribe, Jackie Townsend, Kim Vanderham, Jessica Sanchez, Rosa Ogas, and Kelsey Ney

Minutes

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| Agenda item: | <i>Medical Necessity (SMHS) Policy</i> | Presenter: | Janet Hernandez Barajas |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy is in response to CalAIM and MCBH is updating the criteria for access to SMHS for both adults and beneficiaries under age 21. • Policy was reviewed. • Clarified 2a(i) and 2a(iv). | | |
| Conclusion: | Motion to approved by Tawnya Majeski and seconded by Michael Lisman. | | |
| Agenda item: | <i>Medication Assisted Treatment (DMC-ODS) Policy</i> | Presenter: | Janet Hernandez Barajas |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy is to ensure that MAT services are available to eligible beneficiaries in accordance with 42 CFT 438 in all DMC ODS programs. • Policy was reviewed. | | |
| Conclusion: | Motion to approved by Andy Heald and seconded by Melanie Rhodes. | | |
| Agenda item: | <i>Medical Necessity (DMC-ODS) Policy</i> | Presenter: | Janet Hernandez Barajas |

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| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy is in response to CalAIM and MCBH is providing guidance with regards to medical necessity determination requirements and the use of ASAM to determine the appropriate level of care for covered SUD treatment services. • Policy was reviewed. • Will the residential process change with regards to admitting beneficiaries immediately into this LOC? Providers will continue to follow the current procedure for residential LOC. • Will the ASAM episode be removed? This may be likely and there will be clarification on this in the coming weeks. • If client has a MH diagnosis will this create more leniency with admitting the beneficiary to residential treatment (i.e. historical MH)? This will be consulted with Mark Stanford. | | |
| Conclusion: | Motion to approved by Andy Heald and seconded by Melanie Rhodes. | | |
| Agenda item: | <i>DMC-ODS Requirements Policy</i> | Presenter: | Janet Hernandez Barajas |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy is in response to CalAIM and MCBH is providing guidance with regards to DMC ODS regulation for the period of 2022-2026. • Policy was reviewed. • What is required when a beneficiary is transferring from another county and will continue with SUD services in MC? A letter from DHCS confirming transfer called Inter-County Transfer Verification. | | |
| Conclusion: | Motion to approved by Andy Heald and seconded by Melanie Rhodes. | | |
| Agenda item: | <i>Training Update</i> | Presenter: | LeeAnn Jones |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The training department is working to boost training opportunities related to cultural relevance. • The training department has transitioned to NeoGov Learn and all staff have access to this site to enroll in training. | | |
| Conclusion: | No other training updates at this time. | | |
| Agenda item: | <i>Culturally Relevancy Update</i> | Presenter: | Dana Edgull |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dana re-introduced the cultural relevance committee, its purpose, and indicated the meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month. • The current focus is on training related to social equity. • Shared appreciation for staff that participated in the Organizational | | |

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| | Assessment focusing with Dr. Kenneth Hardy. | |
| Conclusion: | No other cultural relevancy updates at this time. | |
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| <i>Other Items</i> | | |
| Next QIC Meeting | May 19, 2022 | |