LOS ANGELES COUNTY- DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

Service Area II Program Administration Adult Quality Improvement Committee March 18, 2021 **Via Microsoft Teams** 10:00 am-11:30am Agenda

Welcome- Introductions & Agency Updates ΑII

Cultural Competence Organizational Assessment Sandra Chang, Ph.D.

Cultural Competency Unit Program Manager-Lead for the Institute for Cultural and Linguistic Inclusion and Responsiveness (ICLIR)-Ethnic Services

Manager

Hyun Kyung Lee, Ph.D

Cultural Competency Unit

QIC Cert/QA/QI Updates H. Honey Hira, MPH, MSN, RN,

PHN - QA Certifications

Ilda Aharonian, Ph.D. - QA Unit

Quality Improvement

Monthly Electronic CPS Development Report Provided by Daiya Cunnane -

reported by Kimber

MAT Clinical PIP Provided by Office of Admn Ops -

reported by Kimber

Quality Assurance

Audits/Announcements ΑII

QA Announcements Provided by QA Staff (Brad Bryant/

Nikki Collier/Jen Hallman)-rptd by Kimber

CURES Act Update **Training & Operations**

Annual QA Rpt

QA Knowledge Assmt Survey #3 Online Training Resources

Policy & Tech Development

QA updates previously sent QAB 20-07 deadline pushed out

PAVE

Pre-auth reminders Out of state tx

Access to care expectations

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Q&A Discussion ΑII

Next Meeting for SA 2 Adult QIC: May 20, 2021 at 10-11:30 am



LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE AREA 2 QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL (QIC) MEETING

Date: March 18, 2021 Time: 10-11:30am

Type of meeting:	
Meeting Link:	https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/b798c36b-ba29-4285-85ed-6655ba6f0b80?list=studio
	Addie Castaneda
	Dave Mendez
	Harmandeep (Honey) Hira
	Ilda Aharonian
	Iliana Martinez
Members Present:	James Pelk
	Karry Friedman
	Katy Ihrig
	Marina Eckart
	Sherry Winston
	Tiger Doan
	Dora Escalante

AGENDA ITEMS	DECISIONS AND ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE UNIT/STAFF	DUE DATE
CC Organizational Assessment Presentation		Sandra Chang, Ph.D. Hyun Kyung Lee,	
		Ph.D.	

Quality Improvement	Quality Improvement		
CPS Surveys	 Please make sure you have an active 'C' number Anyone who is entering into our survey system i.e. peers, clerical Staff helping to complete over the phone need a c number 		ASAP
Clinical PIP MAT	 Dr. Bonds sent email to LE's on Feb 24 Mentors and mentees needed Survey link for interest https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=SHJZBzjqG0WKvqY47dusgUJfpckb_RNAt31IFwbhDN9UNU44N1VKVDRQVFEzQkU3UFhEOU1KQk9TTC4u 		ASAP
QUALITY ASSURANCE	QUALITY ASSURANCE	QUALITY ASSURANCE	
Cures Act updates	Joint regulations by Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT (ONC) and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to make it easier for clients, health plans and providers to access, exchange and use electronic health information •Data Exchange –Requires select health care plans to share certain electronic health information •Data Interoperability –Enables seamless flow of data between organizations and their application systems	Provided by Brad Bryant, Nikki Collier & Jen Hallman – Reported by Kimber Salvaggio	Effective date - July 1, 2021

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	•Information Blocking –Prevent practices that		
	restrict authorized access, exchange, and use		
	of electronic health information		
	•Everyone is behind & aware it is a heavy lift		
	•Important to show good faith effort toward		
	implementation******		
	Our requirements as a Mental Health Plan:		
	Patient Access (July 1, 2021)		
	Provider Directory (July 1, 2021)		
	Payer-to-Payer (January 1, 2022)		
	•All data going back to Jan 1, 2016		
	•If you have it, you have to provide it		
	CMS Final Rule requirement -contractual		
	obligations under the Medicaid Managed Care		
	contract		
	MHP Requirements:		
	 Beneficiary education 		
	 Privacy and security considerations 		
	 Current "enrollee" and authorized 		
	representative		
	 Data segmentation –can't do! 		
	 All or nothing based on consumer 		
	consent		
	 Existing HIPAA right of access 		
	(excludes "psychotherapy notes")		
	No changes to existing Federal, State and		
	Local laws including 42 CFR Extension of		
	current practice for paper requests		
	Note: Another reason to learn		
	Collaborative Documentation		
Training and Operations	QA reports annual		
	QA knowledge #3 closed		

	 Info will be available soon Also on QA site QA Chart Reviews Video coming soon Chart review tool being updated 	
Policy and Techincal developmment Previously sent QA Updates	 Online training resources available Feb 9 recordong and upcoming webinars Feb 24 revised QB pave Feb 25 recodring preauth webinar and FAQ link 	
QAB 20-07 deadline pushed out	Revised Bulletin: QA Bulletin 20-07R PAVE Portal and Medi-Cal Rx Web Portal Enrollment • New deadline for PAVE Enrollment and Medi-Cal Rx for eligible licensed disciplines: • Includes updated Medi-Cal Rx Instructions with training resources Updated FAQs on PAVE also sent out	July 1st, 2021
Pre-auth reminders	Recording from February 18th Q&A Session was sent out along with updated FAQs •Reminders: As of March 1st, claims will deny without authorization Providers must request a subsequent pre-authorization if they will run out of units prior to the end of the 6-month authorization period •Updates:	

	DMH is working on removing the need to request another authorization for IHBS when a client switches between Medi-Cal and Non-Medi-Cal (ETA next month)	
Out of State Treatment	The State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has given counties guidance that they will not disallow services that are provided to a client who is temporarily out-of-state based solely on the fact that the client is out-of-state. However, because the licensure requirements for the specific state must be met, and states differ in this regard, as well as other factors including the clinician's relative inaccessibility to the client, LACDMH recommends that providers exercise a high degree of caution when considering providing (and claiming for) services to any client who is temporarily out-of-state.	
Access to care expectations	 No Programs are Exempt from Access to Care – Requirements are across the board (e.g., Wrap, FSP, CalWORKs, AB109) Inability to Accept Routine Requests – Criteria on when a provider can no longer accept new requests for services for routine requests Urgent / Hospital Discharge / Jail Release Appointment Requests – All providers must make every effort to accept these types of requests Refusing Requests - Providers may only refuse to provide clients with specific services 	

Network Adequacy	after having completed an assessment of the client and with appropriate clinical justification. •Monitoring Plan – Process for monitoring access to care across the DMH system of care The Network Adequacy: Provider and Practitioner Administration (NAPPA) application has logic regarding which taxonomy codes can be used for each discipline/category. Refer to the Appendix in the Scenarios posted document. •DMH is working with DHCS to look at future taxonomy usage where DHCS will have their own rules. DMH will be issuing a QA Bulletin as soon as some final details are sorted out with DHCS. •For Directly Operated, when they begin using the updated NAPPA application, all taxonomy codes must match against NPPES •IBHIS does not have any checks to compare against NPPES •Cesar Franco is working with DOs to verify information in IBHIS against NPPES •More information will be shared on the monthly Network Adequacy/Access to Care webinar	
NOABD	Online application for LE providers to submit NOABDs has been created •LE Providers can start requesting access through SAR (same application used to request access to NAPPA) on March 15, 2021	March 15, 2021

Patients' Rights will no longer accept faxed	
NOABD as of July 1, 2021	

Respectfully Submitted by: Kimber Salvaggio SA 2 Adult QIC Chair NEXT MEETING: May 20, 2021 at 10am