



Provider Advisory Committee Meeting

The Alhambra, 1000 S. Fremont Ave., Bldg. A9 East
Microsoft Teams
November 9, 2021
2 PM – 4 PM

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Welcome

- Welcome – Dr. Gary Tsai
 - Purpose and goals of PAC



Co-Chair Announcements Kathy Watt

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Co-Chair Announcements

- Clarifying Workgroup Accountability and Expectations
 - Lessons Learned from the 30-day LOS workgroup
 - Best practices for future workgroups



Co-Chair Announcements

- Business Technology Committee (BTC) Update
 - Introduction of BTC Members
 - Kathy Watt
 - Claudia Murrillo
 - Brian Fernandez
 - Jared Friedman (proxy for Ken Bachrach)
 - Evelyn Leonidas (proxy for Elan Javanford)
 - Omar Sanchez (proxy for Bill Tarkinian)



Co-Chair Announcements

- Funding Utilization Workgroup
 - Formerly Bed Utilization Workgroup
 - Objectives
 - Learn strategies to improve the discrepancies between SAPC claims data and agency claims submissions
 - Understand the various funding sources and opportunities that can be used to pay for residential beds
 - Learn provider obstacles to utilizing secondary funding sources
 - Learn different provider methods for communicating helpful updates about data input and funding sources to frontline staff
 - If interested in joining this workgroup – please email Kathy Watt at wattvnrh@aol.com



Approval of Meeting Minutes August 24, 2021 Meeting

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SAPC Announcements and Updates

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Update on New Funding Yanira Lima MPA, MHM, Chief, Systems of Care

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- Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) Funding
- American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA)
- Measure J and Alternatives to Incarceration



CLAS/CCCH Updates

Marquisha Henderson, Strategic and Network Development

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Field Based Services Expansion Pilot Update

Kyle Kennedy, Systems of Care

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PURPOSE

- Reach historically difficult to serve populations
- Increase patient participation and retention in treatment services
- Enhance family engagement, particularly for youth



ELIGIBILITY

- Opportunity open to any treatment provider with a current and active FBS workplan
- Targeting participation from at least 5-7 provider agencies
- Eligible levels of care and treatment services



DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

- Patient signature or provider-documented verbal consent
 - Youth patients must provide consent from parent/guardian.
- Clinical Documentation
 - Selection of FBS as service delivery method in Sage
 - Provide justification for in-home FBS service provision
 - Note service delivery location
 - Note confidentiality practices, in alignment with requirements
- Claims
 - Include the appropriate place of service code within claims (12)



UPDATED TIMELINE & NEXT STEPS

ACTION ITEM	TIMELINE
Release official in-home expansion pilot via SAPC Memo	December 13, 2021
Meeting(s) with interested agencies to answer questions regarding policy and application process	December 13 – December 24, 2021
Initiate pilot application process	December 13 – December 31, 2021
Pilot implementation	December 2021 – June 30, 2022
Pilot evaluation	July 2022 – August 2022



DUI Presentation

Glenda Pinney, Systems of Care

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Discussion

Current Use Of Peer Specialists



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Peer Certification Program Update

- Peer Certification Specialist Program is slated to start July 2022
- BHIN 21-041 set standards for Peer Certification, but some flexibilities exist
- California Mental Health Service Authority (CalMHSA) is representing California counties in the implementation of statewide plan
 - CalMHSA will submit Peer Certification plans to DHCS by November 19, 2021
 - CalMHSA held 12 listening sessions throughout October to get feedback on flexibilities
 - November-December 2021: CalMHSA is planning to report back on listening session notes and start development of exam questions



Current Use of Peer Specialists

- SAPC is interested in understanding how peer specialists are currently being utilized within the network now in order to inform program and policy development
 - How are providers using peers right now without reimbursement?
 - What funding sources are used to support peer specialist activities currently?



PAC Member Feedback: Financial Eligibility Reports



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PAC End of Year Evaluation Co-chairs



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PAC Meeting Schedule Proposal Kyle Kennedy, Systems of Care

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PAC Meeting Schedule Proposal

- 2022 proposed schedule: Fourth Thursday of every other month
 - Thursday, January 27th 3PM – 5PM
 - Thursday, March 24th 3PM – 5PM
 - Thursday, May 26th 3PM – 5PM



PAC Member Items

Gary Tsai, M.D., Director, SAPC

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PAC Member Items

- Open Discussion



Public Comments

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Public Comments

- Public comments or feedback



Adjourn
Next PAC meeting:
January 27, 2022 3:00 PM

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