



Substance Abuse Prevention and Control

Payment Reform FY2026-27

Value-Based Incentives (VBI)

August 28, 2026

Key Updates and Upcoming Deadlines

Data Aggregation-Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C): Cohort 3-New/First Year (First-Time Participants)

The Data Aggregation VBI supports provider agencies at varying levels of readiness with planning, developing, and implementing a data aggregation platform. For **Cohort 3 – New/First Year only**, the [Data Source Inventory and Baseline Metrics Tool](#) (Submission 1) deadline is **09/30/26**. Please submit your deliverable and [invoice](#) via the [VBI Electronic Submission Form](#) by the due date.

MAT Prescribing Clinician Start-Up Cost Sharing (2-C)

The MAT Prescribing Medical Clinician Start-Up Cost Sharing Implementation Plans are due **09/30/26**. Please see below for additional details. Submit your deliverable and [invoice](#) via the [VBI Electronic Submission Form](#) by the due date.

Resources

VBI Reference Guide

The FY2026-27 [VBI Reference Guide](#) provides a concise, easy-to-use overview of all VBIs. Please visit the VBI [website](#) for more details and requirements.

Electronic Invoice Submission Guide and Form

The [FY2026-27 VBI Electronic Submission Form](#) is required when submitting VBI deliverables. Provider agencies are encouraged to review the [FY2026-27 VBI Electronic Submission Form Guide](#) for detailed instructions on accessing and completing the form.

***Note:** Emailed invoice submissions will not be accepted. If you encounter any issues completing the electronic form, please contact DPH-SAPC-VBI@ph.lacounty.gov.



Upcoming Trainings

Save the Dates: Visit the [SAPC training calendar](#) (included in orange) for the most up-to-date VBI trainings. Please review the [FY2026-27 Calendar](#) for upcoming Access to Care: R95 workgroup meetings and trainings.

VBI Deadlines and Communications

The [Deadlines and Communications](#) page serves as a central reference for all upcoming VBI deadlines and updates. Stay up to date with important deadlines, announcements, and program updates.

Finance and Business Operations

Data Aggregation-Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C)

Title: Building Reliable Data Systems (**Cohorts 1 & 2**)

Date: Thursday, 09/03/26 | **Time:** 9:00-10:45 am | **Roundtable:** 10:45-11:30 am | **Format:** In-Person

Register: [Here](#) | **Location:** The California Endowment, 1000 Alameda St, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Topic: Effective data aggregation starts with reliable data. Join us for Building Reliable Data Systems, an interactive training designed to strengthen the foundation of your data aggregation system and workflows through practical data validation techniques and reporting best practices.

During this session, participants will explore strategies to improve dashboard reliability and integrate dashboards into existing workflows. There will also be a peer roundtable discussion, allowing provider agencies to exchange ideas, lessons learned, and implementation strategies. Whether you are an analytical expert or still building out your first dashboard, this session will provide you with practical tools to build greater confidence in data-informed decision making.

Audience:

- This training is **required** for **Cohort 1 (Second Year, Advanced)** and **Cohort 2 (Second Year, Mid-Stage)** participants in the Data Aggregation – Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C) activity. If you are uncertain about your cohort, please email: DPH-SAPC-VBI@ph.lacounty.gov.
- Attendance is **required** from the **Executive Sponsor or Project Lead** within your data aggregation project team. Other team members are encouraged to attend.

For eligibility or general VBI questions:

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ADA Accommodations: If you need a disability-related reasonable accommodation/alternative format for this event, please contact Leslie Garcia.

Data-Aggregation-Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C)

Title: Purchase and Technical Implementation Workshop (**Cohort 2**)

Date: Thursday, 09/03/26 | **Time:** 11:30-12:30 pm | **Format:** In-Person | **Register:** [Here](#)

Location: The California Endowment, 1000 Alameda St, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Topic: Join us for a hands-on workshop for the Data Aggregation – Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C) Value-Based Incentive (VBI). In this workshop, we will walk through the **Software Purchase and Technical Implementation** submission which is due on **10/20/26**, for **Cohort 2 (Second Year, Mid-Stage)** participants. We will also provide an overview of the Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C) activity, including recommendations for planning ahead.

Audience:

- This workshop is **required** for **Cohort 2 (Second Year, Mid-Stage)** participants in the Data Aggregation – Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C) activity. If you are uncertain about your cohort, please email: DPH-SAPC-VBI@ph.lacounty.gov.
- Attendance is **required** from the **Project Lead** or **Submission Coordinator** within your data aggregation project team. Other team members are encouraged to attend.

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Data-Aggregation-Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C)

Title: Implementation Update and Quarterly Reporting Workshop (**Cohorts 1 & 2**)

Date: Thursday, 09/17/26 | **Time:** 9:00-11:30 pm | **Format:** Virtual | **Register:** [Here](#)

Topic: Join us for a hands-on workshop for the Data Aggregation – Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C) Value-Based Incentive (VBI). In this workshop, we will walk through the Addendum: Data Aggregation Implementation Update submission, due **10/20/26** for **Cohort 1 (Second Year, Advanced)** and **Cohort 2 (Second Year, Mid-Stage)** participants.

We will also walk through the Quarterly Metrics Reporting and QI Plan submission, due **10/20/26** for **Cohort 1** participants only.

Audience:

- This training is **required** for **Cohort 1 (Second Year, Advanced)** and **Cohort 2 (Second Year, Mid-Stage)** participants in the Data Aggregation – Building Performance and Risk Metrics (1-C) activity. If you are uncertain about your cohort, please email: DPH-SAPC-VBI@ph.lacounty.gov.
- Attendance is **required** from the **Project Lead or Submission Coordinator** within your data aggregation project team. Other team members are encouraged to attend.

Session Details:

- **Part 1:** Data Aggregation Implementation Update: 9:00 am – 10:30 am
- **Part 2:** Quarterly Metrics Reporting and QI Plan: 10:30 am – 11:30 am (**Cohort 1 only**)

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Workforce Development

MAT Prescribing Clinician Start-Up Cost Sharing (2-C)

Provider agencies that have not previously participated in the MAT Prescribing Clinician Start-Up Cost Sharing funding opportunity (**Part 1**), Implementation Plans are due by **9/30/26, subject to funding availability**. Forms are linked here for [Non-OTP](#) or [OTP-Only](#).

Provider agencies with an approved Implementation Plan that seek to expand the number of medical clinicians beyond the original approved plan, please submit a MAT Prescribing Clinician Start-Up Cost Sharing Addendum (**Part 1**) by **9/30/26** for [Non-OTP](#) or [OTP Only](#), **subject to funding availability**.

Please submit your applicable documents and [invoice](#) via the [VBI Electronic Submission Form](#) by **09/30/26**. For additional details and guidance, please review the [Medical Clinician Cost Sharing Start-Up Funding](#) document.

Access to Care

R95 Unique Clients Served (3-H)

We encourage you to review the R95 Unique Clients Served [Activity Guide](#) and [Submission Checklist](#) early. Providers seeking clarification on this activity or the [R95 Client Facing Agreements \(3-I\)](#) are invited to attend the monthly R95 Office Hour for technical assistance.

R95 Office Hour (via Teams) | **Date:** Wednesday, 09/09/26 | **Time:** 9:00am-10:00am | [Click here to join](#) or email [Access Optimization](#) for a calendar invite.

R95 Client-Facing Agreements (3-I)

Reminder: The deadline for participation is **11/02/26**.

All treatment provider agency staff are encouraged to attend R95 workgroup meetings to learn more about how to safely lower barriers to SUD treatment to engage more people with SUD.

Harm Reduction and Treatment Integration Meeting

Date: Friday, 9/18/26 | **Time:** 1:00pm-3:00pm | **Format:** In-Person | [Pre-registration](#): Optional.

Location: Zev Yaroslavsky Family Support Center RED/PINE Room Combo - 7555 Van Nuys Blvd, Van Nuys, CA 91405

Thank you,

The SAPC Team