

Contract & Financial Issues Committee, April 22, 2021, 1:00pm

Updates

EDIT Update – Stacia Chick

Stacia provided 3 separate documents with updates from the EDIT meeting. Stacia gave details on action items that were reviewed in the EDIT meeting. Some providers and CMHs are using H2015 for 24-hour reporting. Miliman gave a presentation on transportation. Stacia will forward slides from that presentation when they are received. Transportation subgroup is being formed. Anyone who would like to participate in this should email Julie Harrison by May 7, 2021. Stacia gave details on tiered rates for residential services regarding CLS and personal care, which was discussed. Stacia reported that the Code Modifier workgroup minutes are now posted on the Department's website. Many modifier combinations are related to staffing issues. Some modifiers may possibly be discontinued. The subgroup will be looking at possible impacts of these discontinuations. She spoke briefly about the EQI report and the significant amount of time and work required to complete this report. Discussion took place regarding H0043 transition to H2015 and the preponderance rule. DHHS clarified that preponderance rule is not to be used. Talking points were developed on the Transportation issue by DHHS to be shared with CMHs and PIHPs. These were sent out earlier this week. Chip Johnston spoke about levels of service and payments that could violate Chapter 7 when using SIPs. He stated that CMHs reported that there were several different types of foster care licensing, and the Department will be speaking with LARA to determine how licensing works. Michael Cupp expressed concern about the tiered approach. He stated that he has data that could be used with Miliman and the Department that could help them understand the differences in facilities. Michael will connect with Chip Johnston and send him this data. Richard Carpenter asked for clarification on the tiered rate. The understanding was that it would only be used to set capitation rates, not for a payment mechanism. Some thought the same, and others in the group thought it would eventually be used for payment. Chip stated that they already have the range. He did not understand the point of tiered rates. He felt it would only be to determine what modifier to use, and that would be pointless. Leslie Thomas stated that she asked what the intent was of establishing the tiered rates. The Department was not sure if they would be used to compare and establish rates, or if they would be mandated. She asked the Department what the overall goals would be. The Department would like to reduce the variance in rates. They have not been clear on what data they will be using. Leslie stated that the LARA licensure information would help the Department determine who they should be working with. Leslie also pointed out that Providers must be willing to accept these rates as well.

GF Negotiations – Lisa Morse

No minutes taken.

Legislative Update – Alan Bolter

No minutes taken.

Funding Issues – Bruce Bridges

No minutes taken.

Year to Date Funding vs. Actuary Expectations

No minutes taken.

Capitation FY22 Initial Information

No minutes taken.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Contract & Financial Issues Committee is scheduled for Thursday, June 24, 2021, 1:00pm. This meeting will likely be held in-person AND via Zoom. More details will be sent closer to the meeting date.

Meeting adjourned at 2:06pm.