

Behavioral Health Partnership Oversight Council

Operations Subcommittee

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Meeting Summary: Oct. 17, 2008, 2008 Co-chairs: Lorna Grivois & Stephen Larcen

Next meeting-November 21, 2008 @ 2:30 PM at VO, Rocky Hill

Charter Oak Rate Methodology

Subsequent to the Oct 17th Subcommittee meeting, Dr. Larcen (C-Chair) sent the following survey and email to committee members:

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Commercial Self Pay Data.xls

The Operations Committee of the BHP Oversight Council is undertaking a survey of provider collections on co-pay and deductible collections for commmecially insured patients currently served by both clinics and hospitals for behavioral health services. This survey will help project the likely impact of the co-pay and deductible requirements of the Charter Oak progam on behavioral health reimbursement under the BHP rate methodology.

For example if your experience is that you collect on average about 50% of the copays and duductibles for the commercially insured patients you are currently serving, one would project a similar impact on collections for Charter Oak. Perhaps this will vary depending on the tier of eligiblity for Charter Oak and the means of the client served.

If you can provide this information, it would help our committee make this assessment in our efforts to determine the likely net reimbursement under Charter Oak for behavioral health services as this program is phased-in.

We have excluded Medicare co-pays from this survey, given the high percentage that are dually eligible that are served by behavioral health providers.

We have asked for the data for the past two fiscal years. FY 2007 and FY 2008. Please indicate the period ending for your FY. We have highligted the cells in yellow that you can enter data, the rest will calculate automatically.

We have also asked that you separate this data by level of care, if possible, since collections may vary considerably for inpatient, PHP/IOP and outpatient clinics. The projected impact of these copays and deductibles are also likely to vary considerably as a function of a percentage of the expected reimbursement for each of these levels of care.

If you could return your data to my attention, I will complie the results for review by the Operations Committee at its November meeting.

It would be helpful if you could provide this information by Wednesday, November 12th. Thanks