

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
September 5, 2014
Value Options Rocky Hill

Agenda:

- 1. LMSW/Unlicensed Clinician Oversight Requirements**
- 2. Status Update on Authorization of Referrals from One By-Pass Hospital to another By-Pass Hospital**
- 3. Status Update on Smoking Cessation Billing for Hospitals**

New Business

1. LMSW/Unlicensed Clinician Oversight Requirements

- A follow-up meeting to the July Operations Committee meeting was held to discuss clarifying the requirements for supervision and documentation is necessary to support the supervision occurred.
 - Option 1: Supervision is usually one time per week (minor exceptions due to vacation/illness) and is documented once per month with the dates and summary of what occurred in each supervision session. This would be documented in the patient record not as what was specifically said and reviewed but rather an example might be “supervision was provided 3-4 times this month on the following dates and then signed off on by the LIP. Providers were asking that the state consider this as proof of supervision rather than having each not co-signed by the LIP.

Bill’s response was that the QA people within the state want documentation of supervision to be done in the medical record.

- There was robust discussion of the value of a supervision log versus having individual progress notes signed for each point of service.
- Terri asked if Bill could get clarification if state Medicaid was required to follow the state scope of practice for a provider as Medicare is. So if the new scope of practice or a LMSW is that they can provide individual/group therapy independently, but cannot diagnosis and provide the case formulation then how can the state mandate the rule that all notes must be cosigned. Bill was going to check on this.
- 10-14-2014- Bill checked and DSS can be more restrictive then Medicare in regards to scope of practice.

2. Status Update on Authorization of Referrals from One By-Pass Hospital to another By-Pass Hospital

- Steve Moore did share that there had been a few glitches with the new by-pass system when one hospital is ED is transferring to another hospital that is on the by-pass system. He reported these were immediately corrected.

3. Status Update on Smoking Cessation Billing for Hospitals

- Bill shared the policy transmittal is circulating and the hope was that it will be released by 10/1/2014.

New Business

The Children's Mental Health Plan is being released today. Comments are due by 9/12/14 at 5 pm.

Old Business

Susan asked if there could be an update on process for rate structure revisions at a future meeting.

Next meeting will be on October 10, 2012.