

Bullet Point Notes from CT BHPOC Operations Sub-Committee Meeting 11/3/17



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Changes to Adult DSM:

- Lois Berkowitz discussed the changes made in the DSM.
 - They are mostly clean up changes, namely, the language referring DSM 4 has been changed to “Current DSM” throughout the document.
 - The Observation period was changed from 23 hours to “48 hours”
 - “GAF” was removed from the document as it doesn’t exist any longer.
 - The words “patient” or “member” were changed to “individual” throughout the document
 - All other changes were summarized by Lois

Changes to Child DSM:

- Lois then discussed the changes to the Child DSM. Some of the material changes include:
 - Any reference to Husky A was changed to “ASO”.
 - Review was changed to Solnit
 - The Bureau of Behavioral Health has been removed from the document as it no longer exists.
 - The word “caregiver” has replaced “family” in all instances in the document.
 - There was a question regarding licensing to age 21 or 18 – the group agreed that a follow up discussion needed to take place.

Lois will complete a final review of the summary of changes and send it to Terri and Susan to be brought to Council on Weds 11/8. All final documents should go to Dave Kaplan for distribution.

BH Hospital Regulations – There were no questions regarding this regulation and the group moved on.

Proposed BH Clinic Regulation Changes:

- Bill started the discussion he explained that for the most part we are done with the regulation as a draft has been submitted to the Office of Policy Management and the Governor’s Office for review. The next steps are the State Plan Amendment and the Public Notice before the regulation can be adopted.
- Bill said that they are shooting for a 12/1 start date but due to legal and staffing issues it is difficult; the plan is to have the State Plan Amended by the end of the Quarter.
 - Alyse mentioned that she heard a date of 1/1 in Rapid Response.

- Lori pointed out that Beacon is moving as fast it can to expedite this with the system changes, testing, authorization and training programs. There is still quite a bit to be done but that Beacon is committed to continuing at this pace.
- He then gave a summary of the new language in the proposed regulation
 - The changes include:
 - Clean up language to outdated terms
 - Updating the regulation with the new services since 2013
 - Tobacco cessation
 - Autism
 - Etc.
 - Case Management language
 - Licensure language
 - Chemical Maintenance
 - He explained that CMS requested that this section be unbundled
 - The new rates will be provider specific rather than site specific
 - Daily dosing
 - Face to face
 - Take home
 - Individual
 - Group
 - On the spot urine testing
 - Etc.
 - Terri asked if this regulation will mirror the Hospital Regulation and Bill said yes in most respect.
 - Terri also asked Bill to forward a copy of the regulation to her for her review. Bill agreed to forward the link once the regulation “hits the ground”.

New Business:

- Frequency of Meetings: Terri and Susan suggested that the subcommittee meet 5 times per year rather than monthly. They suggested January, March, June, September and November for next year. The group agreed and Terri and Susan said they would take it to Council for approval.