

August 7, 2015

1:30 - 3:00 p.m. CST

1. General Anchor Communication

- Thank you for all of your continued work!
- Statewide Learning Collaborative registration closed August 5th, and HHSC is working to determine how many provider slots are still available. We will be contacting anchors very soon to reallocate if there are any remaining slots.
- HHSC posted a [DSRIP Tableau Dashboard](#), searchable statewide DSRIP database (along with the user reference guide) on the [Regional Healthcare Partnership \(RHP\) Plans](#) page. The DSRIP Tableau Dashboard presents Category 1-3 data in summaries and graphs. It allows project filters based on RHP, Provider Name, Provider Type, Project Option, Primary Project Type, and Category 3 Outcome. Please submit any questions or suggestions for changes to the waiver mailbox at TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us. SUBJECT: Dashboard.

2. DSRIP Implementation

DY 4 April Reporting

- August 3, 2015 – HHSC sent coversheets with final metric achievement determinations to providers who previously received “Needs More Information” (NMI) requests. Anchors should also have received copies. Approved metrics will be included for payment in the next DSRIP payment period, estimated for January 2016.
- Project payment summaries have been posted on the waiver website through April DY4 reporting.
- Provider and project reporting summaries have been posted on the waiver website containing provider-level and project-level status information submitted during the October DY2 through April DY4 reporting periods.

Category 3

- HHSC Staff are still conducting Category 3 technical assistance for baselines that were reported in October DY3 and flagged as needing baseline clarification or assistance in determining DY4 and DY5 goals. HHSC is contacting providers via email with a description of any outstanding baseline clarification or technical assistance issues, and either setting up a call or proposing a resolution. All providers have been assigned to an HHSC staff member at this point, and we believe a dozen are still to be contacted.
- On Thursday HHSC sent out a provider level summary for baselines that were submitted in April. Providers reporting PM-9 for achievement in April DY4 should have received a spreadsheet outlining DY4 and DY5 goals, and any baseline clarification or technical assistance issues that need to be resolved before providers can report DY4 performance. Providers should have received a detailed description of any identified issues with their reported baseline and instructions for resolution. Any questions should be directed to the waiver mailbox.
- As a reminder, to submit a correction to an already reported Category 3 baseline that has not been selected for compliance monitoring by Myers and Stauffer, please send an email to the waiver mailbox indicating the Category 3 project ID of any baselines that need correction, and a brief description of the baseline issue. HHSC will then send the provider a Category 3 Baseline Correction Form specific to their outcome that should be completed by the provider and returned to the waiver mailbox. Please submit baseline correction forms to HHSC by August 15th if possible

so that baselines can be reviewed and DY4 goals finalized before the October DY4 reporting period.

- HHSC has received a number of inquiries about the transition to ICD-10 and Category 3 reporting. HHSC will not be updating the compendium with new ICD-10 codes and we do not plan to issue a code crosswalk specific to DSRIP Category 3. We ask providers (and Myers and Stauffer when relevant) to treat this as an instance where providers are using their best clinical judgment and then maintaining documentation of those clinical judgments and consistency throughout reporting periods. In this case, we would allow providers to use whatever guidance/crosswalks they are applying system-wide for the transition (for example, CMS GEMs 2016). Please notify HHSC if you identify a specific instance where the transition may make comparison between measurement periods invalid.

QPI

- HHSC staff is continuing to work with providers to resolve the outstanding QPI issues.
- In anticipation of a busy October reporting and review period and in an effort to preempt confusion (especially for providers who have not yet reported on QPI), we will be sending out in the near future some key points and reminders on calculating QPI, especially focusing on the role of the pre-DSRIP baseline. Please remind providers to send in any questions on QPI well ahead of October reporting.

Anchor Administrative Cost Claiming

- Payments for the reports received in May were issued on August 6, 2015.

3-Year Project Change Request Process (Plan Modification Requests and Technical Change Requests)

- HHSC is reviewing the submitted change requests, and plans to provide feedback to anchors/providers by early October.

Compliance Monitoring

- We anticipate the Mid-Point Assessment Report for 3 year projects will be completed and released next week. Once we have the final report, we will send it out to Anchors and ask that they distribute to providers.
- Review of Category 3 measures by Myers and Stauffer LC (MSLC) is underway, and HHSC is appreciative of providers' efforts to submit required supporting documentation in a timely manner.
- HHSC is working with MSLC to expand the sample for the review of baselines to make sure that at least one Category 3 measure for each provider is reviewed during compliance monitoring. This week, a second group of providers is being informed about Cat 3 review selection. A list of this expanded sample will be sent to Anchors next week. Providers whose outcome was not selected for the review by this time can still voluntarily request that their outcome is included in the review. Requesting review of a specific outcome will not preclude random selection of additional category 3 outcomes for a given provider. Please send an email to MSLC LAyala@mslc.com and copy the DSRIP compliance waiver mailbox TXHealthcareTransformationDSRIP_Compliance@hhsc.state.tx.us
- **Category 1 and 2 metrics review.** MSLC started the first phase of the Category 1 and 2 reviews. Close to 100 projects are included in this phase. Providers were already notified and are in the process of submitting information for the FTP set up. MSLC will start with reviewing available reported information for the selected metrics. In case additional information is required, MSLC will ask providers to submit it. Please note that MSLC may require additional support for the metrics

that were approved by HHSC. It does not mean that Myers is disapproving metrics at this time; it means that additional information is needed for the review.

- Due to the expansion of the work on Category 3 baseline review, MSLC will delay majority of additional requests for Category 1 and 2 review until later time.
- Below is a high-level timeline for work conducted by MSLC. Although October is listed, HHSC has informed MSLC that there will need to be additional flexibility afforded to providers during October due to reporting submissions that month.
 - May 2015 through September 2015 - Category 3 baseline review - baseline correctness
 - October 2015 through December 2015 - Category 3 baseline review - corrective action plan, technical assistance and follow-up
 - October 2015 through February 2016 - Category 1 and 2 validation - Round 1
 - March 2016 through May 2016 - Category 4 review
 - March 2016 through June 2016 - Category 1 and 2 validation - Round 2
 - May 2016 through August 2016 - Category 2 performance review and Population Focused Priority Measure Baseline Review
- Please send all questions related to compliance monitoring to the designated mail box: TXHealthcareTransformationDSRIP_Compliance@hhsc.state.tx.us.

3. Other Information for Anchors

Waiver Renewal Planning

- The public comment period for the 1115 Waiver Extension draft closed on August 5th.
- A summary of all comments from the public hearings (including the webinar) have been posted on the waiver website on the [Waiver Renewal](#) page.
- HHSC will continue to work with stakeholders on detailed programmatic changes to the protocols not addressed in the waiver extension draft.
 - More information on protocol-level proposals will be provided at the Statewide Learning Collaborative Summit August 27 - 28.
 - We tentatively plan to hold a DSRIP protocol webinar in September (rather than August as previously indicated).
- HHSC has notified providers of projects that will be reviewed for possible changes for waiver renewal, including the reason for review. Providers should notify HHSC by **August 28, 2015** if they do not plan to continue any of the projects under review after DY5 or do not plan to use the funds for a replacement. That is the only action needed at this time. Note that HHSC will provide information regarding replacing and combining any current projects at the Statewide Learning Collaborative.

Update on Private Hospital Deferral Financing Issue

- HHSC doesn't have additional updates at this time, but will keep you apprised when more info is available.

Clinical Champions

- The Clinical Champions workgroup continues to review those projects that submitted a Transformational Impact Summary, with many promising practices emerging from this process.
- HHSC staff is working with members of the Clinical Champions group, based on members' area of expertise, to inform the preliminary development of the RHP Planning Protocol which will be used

for replacement projects in the Renewal period. This work is just starting and will continue over the coming months and opportunities for feedback will be provided.

- Preliminary information from this process will be shared with providers at the Statewide Learning Collaborative Summit and will be used to inform and support the peer to peer learning sessions.

Medicaid Benefits Coordination

- The HHSC Office of Policy has instituted a new benefits review process. The Transformation Waiver team is in coordination with the Office of Policy to use lessons learned and data from DSRIP to inform benefits that are reviewed.
- Please see the link below. At the bottom you will see a section called “Submitting Medicaid Medical or Dental Benefit Requests” If DSRIP providers and other stakeholders have specific requests for a new Medicaid medical or dental benefit or a change to an existing benefit, please refer them to this web page and direct them to that last section. They will complete the form and mail it along with supporting documentation to the Medicaid Benefit Request mailbox (per the instructions).

<http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/medicaid/MPR/index.shtml>

Statewide Learning Collaborative Summit

- The final registration date for the August 27-28, 2015 statewide summit was August 5th. Thanks for your assistance with this process. HHSC will provide an update to the anchors of any unused and reallocated slots soon.
- Providers who have already been notified by HHSC that their posters were accepted may go ahead and register their poster presenter at this time if they have not already done so (even if they have already registered for their 1-2 provider slots).
- We have received questions about whether participants should register if they plan to view via live stream. Those planning to view via live stream should NOT register.
- A more detailed agenda will be sent next week as details are finalized.
- For projects that were selected to present a poster at the event, please remind providers of the August 10th deadline to submit a PDF of posters to the Waiver mailbox. We have received a few questions inquiring as to whether HHSC will be printing out the posters for this session. HHSC is **not** able to provide printing services so providers will need to make arrangements to print posters prior to the event. Also, please remind poster presenters to bring business cards or one-pagers with contact information to provide to summit attendees.
- Texas Hospital Association (THA) will be helping HHSC to put together a multimedia sampling of 6-12 projects for the first morning. This is not intended to be as comprehensive as the RHP snapshot we did for the last summit, but will provide a more in-depth look at a few of the projects around the state from a variety of providers. We wanted to let you know about this in case THA reaches out to you or one of your providers. If you have videos that you have developed that are new since the last Summit, please send to Stephanie Limb at THA (slimb@tha.org) and cc the waiver mailbox. If you have previously sent to HHSC, please resend to Stephanie.

DSRIP Statewide Events Calendar

August 2015			
RHP	Date	Topic	Contact
1	8/11	Chronic Disease Learning Collaborative	Brittney Nichols Brittney.nichols@uthct.edu

Anchor Conference Call

AGENDA

2	8/11	UTMB Health Policy Dialogue: 1115 Waiver and Telepsychiatry	Becky Trout Rtrout@utmb.edu
10	8/13	Webinar - Care Transitions: Overuse of ED	Meredith Oney
10	8/20	Webinar - Behavioral Health: Integrative Medicine	(RHP_Region_10@jpshealth.org)
HHSC	8/27-28	Statewide Learning Collaborative	txhealthcaretransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us

September 2015

RHP	Date	Topic	Contact
7	9/3	RHP 7 Stakeholder Forum and Learning Collaborative	Katie Coburn Katie.coburn@centralhealth.net
14	9/11	RHP 14 Learning Collaborative	Jan Ramos Jramos3@echd.org
1	9/15	RHP 1 Learning Collaborative	Stephanie Fenter Stephanie.fenter@uthct.edu
17	9/16	RHP 17 Learning Collaborative - Population Health and Outcome Measures	Shayna Spurlin Spurlin@sph.tamhsc.edu
12	9/23	RHP 12 Regional Learning Collaborative	Bobbye Hrncirik Bobbye.hrncirik@umchealthsystem.com
9	9/24	RHP 9 Biannual Learning Collaborative Event	Margie Roche Margaret.roche@phhs.org
2	9/25	RHP 2 Learning Collaborative	Susan Seidensticker (smseiden@utmb.edu)
10	9/29	RHP 10 Learning Collaborative Event	Meredith Oney (RHP_Region_10@jpshealth.org)

February 2016

RHP	Date	Topic	Contact
9 & 10	2/9-10	2 nd Annual RHP 9 & RHP 10 Collaborative Connections - Impacting Care	RHP 9: Margie Roche Margaret.roche@phhs.org RHP 10: Meredith Oney money@jpshealth.org

For waiver questions, email waiver staff: TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us.
Include "Anchor (RHP#):" followed by the subject in the subject line of your email so staff can identify your request.