

October 13, 2017

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

1. General Anchor Communication

- As always, thank you for all of your continued work!
- Just a reminder that the DY6A Learning Collaborative Reporting Template is due to HHSC by October 31st.

2. DSRIP Implementation

Hurricane Response

- HHSC has developed instructions to let providers know the types of reporting exceptions available to them for the October DY6 reporting period.
- The instructions are included as part of a template called the “Provisional Approval Request Template.”
- HHSC is sending the template with instructions to hurricane-impacted providers today.
- **A provider that is requesting to receive provisional approval for eligible metrics must complete the Provisional Approval Request Template and submit it to the waiver mailbox (TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us) by 11:59 p.m. on October 31.**
- The template includes reporting instructions for all types of exceptions, but the template itself only needs to be submitted back to the waiver mailbox if providers are requesting the provisional approval exception.
- For provisional approval requests, if there is a discrepancy between what the provider enters in the DSRIP online reporting system and the Provisional Approval Request Template, HHSC will use the responses from the Provisional Approval Request Template as the “source of truth.”
- HHSC will also send a message to anchors listing the hurricane-impacted providers who received the template. Please let us know if additional providers should be included.
- As a reminder, reporting exceptions will apply to providers located in counties designated by FEMA for Individual Assistance and Public Assistance (Categories A and B) or Individual Assistance and Public Assistance (Categories A- G). Source: <https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4332>. These counties are located in RHPs 2, 3, 4, 7, and 17.

October DY6 Reporting

- The recording of the October 4th webinar on October DY6 Reporting has been posted to the Online Reporting System Bulletin Board and should be up on the waiver website later today.
- October DY6 reporting materials have been posted to the DSRIP Online Reporting System’s Bulletin Board. If providers need access to the reporting system, please complete and submit an RHP Contact Change Form, which can be found here: <https://hhs.texas.gov/sites/default/files/documents/laws-regulations/policies-rules/1115-docs/RHP/Plans/Contact-Change.pdf>.
- The deadlines to submit October reporting questions to the waiver box are October 20th for Category 3 issues and October 25th for Cat 1, 2 and 4 issues.
- For QPI: MSLC validated changes that were incorporated into the data seeding of the October DY6 template only include date changes for applicable carryforward metrics or changes to the pre-DSRIP baseline. These are the only elements that impact current reporting. Do not expect to see changes in the reported achievement numbers in the template.

- For the sustainability template, the initial template had some sizing quirks that have been addressed in an updated version. If you find that you cannot see checkboxes or drop-down menus, please download the most recent version of the Sustainability Planning Template from the Online Reporting System bulletin board. We have pulled the old version down from the website in order to maintain version control.

Category 3

- We just found an issue with the Category 3 October DY6 reporting template that affects the calculation of DY6 achievement for some projects. We will be issuing a corrected template very soon. If a provider has not already completed the Category 3 reporting template, please wait until next week to download the template just to give us time to make sure we've got the issue resolved. We will also send an email to providers we have identified that will be affected by this issue. If we discover an error in a template that has already been completed we will work with the provider to correct it.
- Just a heads-up: We plan to have a Cat 3 Template for the NMI period that will be different than the Cat 3 Template for the primary reporting period. Providers must submit the Cat 3 NMI Template during the NMI period. They cannot submit general reporting period template during the NMI period.

Compliance Monitoring

- **Category 1 and 2 Round 2 MSLC review.** Providers with projects for which HHSC recommended recoupment of the funds have received notifications from HHSC about recoupments. Those that received final notification will soon hear from the Rate Analysis team.
- HHSC is finalizing the review of the providers' feedback for preliminary notifications on recoupments (if any was submitted to HHSC).
- **Category 1 and 2 Round 3 MSLC review.** HHSC is preparing notifications for projects that were included in Round 3 and for which HHSC finalized its review. For some projects where results were Not-Validated or Metric-Not-Achieved HHSC requested additional work from MSLC. Providers should respond to MSLC for questions about these projects.
- HHSC has sent out the majority of notices regarding Category 3 Recoupments for MSLC Round 2 reviews. Providers will receive more direction from Rate Analysis in a formal letter which will include instructions and timeframes.
- Next Round of Reviews: MSLC is getting ready for the next round of Categories 1 and 2, and Category 3 reviews. As stated earlier, providers will not need to respond during October.

3. Waiver Renewal

Waiver Negotiations Update

- Communications are still ongoing with CMS and updates will be provided as they are available, including timelines.
- CMS is currently reviewing the proposed Program Funding and Mechanics Protocol (PFM) and the Measure Bundle Protocol (MBP). HHSC has also shared the draft Measure Specifications with CMS.

Category C

- Please remember to fill out the survey(s) with questions and feedback on the draft Category C measure specifications. Survey links were emailed to providers and have been posted on the DSRIP Online Reporting System Bulletin Board. The survey will remain open through November 6. In

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particular, we would really appreciate feedback on what is in the Introduction, including the sampling methodology and instructions for determining payer type.

- HHSC has posted an MPT Calculator Tool and user instructions to the online reporting system bulletin board. This tool will allow providers to model an array of measure bundle/measure selections in order to meet their MPT.

4. Other Information for Anchors

Dell Medical School - Episcopal Health Foundation VBP Symposium

- If you have not submitted your RHP's names for invitations to the December 8th Dell Medical School - Episcopal Health Foundation VBP Symposium, please do so as soon as possible so that the invitation list can be finalized. You can send your 2 names (and 2 wait list names) to the waiver mailbox or lisa.kirsch@austin.utexas.edu.

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.