

Updates for SAPC Treatment Providers

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COVID-19 Situational Updates

 COVID-19 cases have stabilized and begun decreasing after the delta variant, but the situation remains highly fluid, with some forecasts anticipating a possible increase in the Fall/Winter, but with overall stabilization by early next year assuming no new variants and ongoing precautions.



Vaccines

- Vaccine Mandate
 - COVID-19 vaccines are required for health care workers, including all SUD treatment settings, with the only exemptions being for qualified medical reasons or religious reasons.
 - In instances of exemptions, COVID-19 testing is required twice weekly in inpatient (3.7-WM and 4-WM) settings and weekly in all other SUD settings.
- Boosters
 - Currently only applies to Pfizer vaccine at least 6 mo from the 2nd dose.
 - Health care workers, including SUD providers, are eligible for boosters, along with: those age 65+, 18+ in long-term care settings (these do not include SUD settings), 18+ with underlying medical conditions



CalAIM Updates

New policies already enacted

- Residential episodes and lengths of stay
- Medications for Addiction Treatment (MAT)
- Reimbursement for services provided prior to a diagnosis
- Recovery Services

Ongoing Discussions with DHCS and/or Managed Care Plans

- Enhanced Care Management (ECM) Jan 2022
- In-Lieu of Services (ILOS) Jan 2022
- Documentation reform July 2022
- BH payment reform July 2023
- BH Administrative Integration Jan 2027
- As SAPC gets more clarity from CBHDA and DHCS around CalAIM, we will continue to engage its provider network around planning and changes.



DMC-ODS and Strategic Network Expansion

 Key Steps with the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Waiver



- Growth Under DMC-ODS
 - 180% increase in residential beds
 - 1000% increase in residential services
 - Over 550% increase in <u>Recovery Bridge Housing beds</u> (compared to AFDLC beds pre-ODS)
 - Over 4000% increase in <u>expenses related to Recovery Bridge Housing</u>
 - Significant expansion in <u>Room & Board</u> expenses
 - 50% increase in outpatient services
 - Significant expansion of investments in <u>Prevention services</u>



DMC-ODS and Strategic Network Expansion (cont'd)

- Leveraging Drug Medi-Cal & federal match has allowed SAPC to fund more services for more people, as was the goal with DMC-ODS.
- While federal investment in specialty SUD treatment services through DMC has increased significantly, we have also grown local expenses (R&B, local match, RBH, etc).
- Ongoing investments in the specialty SUD prevention and treatment system will need to efficiently and strategically allow for continued growth and development → Need to consider not just growth, but <u>how</u> we grow, with what funding, and how the growth allows us to better meet evolving community needs.
 - Recovery Bridge Housing
 - Client Engagement and Navigation Services (CENS)
 - Contract augmentation requests
 - Etc.

Thank You!



"The opposite of addiction is not sobriety; the opposite of addiction is connection."

- Johann Hari