

Network Assessments and Monitoring

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Presentation Overview

- 1. Overview of Network Review Components
 - DHCS Medical Audits
 - DMHC Routine Medical Surveys
 - DHCS and DMHC Interagency Agreements (IA)
 - DHCS and DMHC Audit and Survey Coordination
 - Non-Routine Audits and Surveys
 - Corrective Action Plans
 - Other Monitoring Indicators
- 2. Network Adequacy Standards
- 3. Plan Monitoring and Evaluation



4. Work in Progress and Future Endeavors



Component 1: DHCS Medical Audits

- Performed by the Audits and Investigations Division, Medical Review Branch
- Welfare and Institutions Code §14456
- Audits will be annual beginning in 2015





DHCS Medical Audit Categories







Component 2: DMHC Medical Surveys

- Performed by the Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC)
- Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act
- Conducted at least every three years
 - Link to DMHC Medical Survey reports:

http://www.dmhc.ca.gov/LicensingandReporting/MedicalSurveys/SearchViewMedicalSurveyReports.aspx





DMHC Medical Survey Categories





Component 3: DHCS/DMHC Interagency Agreements (IA)

Monitors the following transitions:

Seniors and Persons with Disabilities (SPDs)

Optional Targeted Low Income Children

Rural Expansion

Cal MediConnect

Each IA has three components:

Financial Audit

Network Adequacy Assessments

Medical Survey



Component 4: Audit and Survey Coordination

- DHCS and DMHC have a joint audit schedule to coordinate DMHC Knox Keene and IA surveys and DHCS medical audits.
- Both auditing teams are on-site concurrently.
- Findings for the DMHC IA surveys and DHCS medical audits are consolidated during the Corrective Action Plan (CAP) process.



Component 5: Non-Routine Audits and Surveys

- DHCS and DMHC can also audit and/or survey a plan outside of the normal schedule for any reason.
- Conducted two times in 2014:
 - CalOptima
 - Alameda Alliance





Component 6: Corrective Action Plans (CAPs)

- DHCS Medi-Cal Managed Care Division, Plan Monitoring Unit, administers CAPs for:
 - DHCS Medical Audits
 - Interagency Agreement Surveys
 - Other non-scheduled audits or surveys
- A CAP response is required to be submitted to DHCS within 30 days of notification if any findings are present.
- DMHC also administers CAPs for routine medical surveys.





- 1. Quarterly Grievances and Appeals Reports
- 2. Quarterly Reports
 - Medi-Cal Office of the Ombudsman Call Statistics
 - State Fair Hearings
 - DMHC Help Center Data





4. Transition Data Submission Requirements

- Population-specific reporting for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities (SPDs), Optional Targeted Low Income Children (OTLIC), Rural Expansion, Low Income Health Plan (LIHP), and Cal MediConnect:
 - Grievance Report
 - Continuity of Care Report
 - Provider Network Additions and Deletions
 - PCP Assignment and Changes (Rural Expansion)
 - Consumer Satisfaction (Rural Expansion)
 - Fraud and Abuse (Rural Expansion)
 - Complaints and Resolution Tracking (Cal MediConnect)





5. Ongoing Data Submission Requirements

- Rural Expansion and Optional Targeted Low Income Children (OTLIC):
 - All Member Grievance Report
 - Detailed Provider Network Report
 - Continuity of Care Report
 - Grievance Log
 - Geo Access Report
 - Out of Network Report
 - Network Adequacy Report





5. Ongoing Data Submission Requirements

- Seniors and Persons with Disabilities (SPDs):
 - Continuity of Care Report
 - Risk Stratification and Risk Assessment Data Report
 - SPD Grievance Report
 - Detailed Provider Network Report
 - Grievance Log
 - Geo Access Report
 - Out of Network Report
 - Network Adequacy Report





Network Access Requirements

In order to have sufficient networks, health plans must:

(1) Have <u>sufficient providers</u> to serve the enrollees

(2) Meet <u>service area needs</u> with the geographic distribution of primary care providers (PCP) and specialists

(3) Provide <u>timely access to</u> <u>care</u>





Primary Care Physician (PCP) Capacity

Standard: 1 PCP per 2,000 Enrollees

Authority:

- Title 28 CCR Rule 1300.51(d)(H)
- Title 22 CCR Section 53853
- DHCS Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 6 Provider Network

Plan

Monitoring

and

Evaluation:

☑ Readiness

- Full network certification submission to DHCS
- Material Modification filing with DMHC
- Deliverables submission per DHCS Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 18 – Implementation Plan and Deliverables

Deliverables

☑ Contract Submission

Quarterly Provider Network report

☑ DMHC Medical Survey

☑ Other Monitoring Indicators



Specialists Capacity

Standard:	1 Specialist per 1,200 Enrollees
Authority:	 Title 28 CCR Rule 1300.51(b)(2)(H) Title 22 CCR Section 53853(a) Welfare & Institutions Code Section 14182(c)(2) DHCS Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 6 – Provider Network
Plan Monitoring and Evaluation:	 ✓ Readiness Full network certification submission to DHCS Material Modification filing with DMHC Deliverables submission per DHCS contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 18 – Implementation Plan and Deliverables ✓ Contract Submission Quarterly Provider Network report ✓ DHCS Medical Audit ✓ DMHC Medical Survey ✓ Other Monitoring Indicators



Time and Distance Access

Standard:	15 miles/30 minutes (Title 28) 10 miles/30 minutes (DHCS Contract)	
Authority:	 Title 28 CCR Rule 1300.51(d)(H) DHCS Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 6 – Provider Network 	
Plan Monitoring and Evaluation:	 ☑ Readiness ■ Geo Access maps evaluation ☑ Contract Submission ■ Quarterly Provider Network report ☑ DHCS Medical Audit ☑ DMHC Medical Survey ☑ Other Monitoring Indicators 	



Timely Access

Appointment Type	Standards
Urgent care appointments that do not require prior	48 hours
authorization	
Urgent care appointment that do require prior authorization	96 hours
Non-urgent primary care appointments	10 business days
Non-urgent Specialist	15 business days
Non-urgent Mental health provider (non-physician)	10 business days
Non-urgent appointment for ancillary services for the diagnosis or treatment of injury, illness, or other health condition	15 business days
Telephone Wait Times	Standards
Normal business hours	No more than 10 minutes
Triage – 24/7 services	24/7 services; Call back time of no more than 30 minutes



Timely Access (continued)

Authority:	 Title 28 CCR Section 1300.67.2.2 DHCS Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 9 – Access and Availability
Plan Monitoring and Evaluation:	 ☑ DHCS Medical Audit ☑ Other Monitoring Indicators ■ Grievances data ■ Call Center Reports data ☑ CAHPS Survey results





Work in Progress and Future Endeavors

September 2014

- DHCS/DMHC joint response for network findings
- Revised reporting requirement for Grievances & Appeals and Call Center reports that will track data at the beneficiary level
- DHCS Timely Access Verification Studies Cal Optima pilot

December 2014

 New Network Adequacy/Monitoring Unit in the Medi-Cal Managed Care Division

Ongoing

- Provide technical assistance
- Continue stakeholders/workgroup engagement
- Enhance Medi-Cal Managed Care Performance Dashboa
- Use encounter data to monitor networks and utilization



