Draft Work Plan: Performance and Outcomes System for Medi-Cal Specialty Mental Health Services for Children and Youth

Goal: To develop a performance and outcomes system plan for specialty mental health services for children and youth that will improve outcomes at the individual, program and system levels and will inform fiscal decision making related to the purchase of services.

WORK PLAN MILESTONES AT-A-GLANCE

Milestone	Description
1	Convene a Stakeholder Advisory Committee comprised of representatives of child and youth clients, family members, providers, counties, and the Legislature in accordance with W&I Code §14707.5
2	Formation of a work group to develop the recommendations regarding the Performance and Outcomes Systems and implementation plans.
3	Conduct research on Performance and Outcomes Systems and develop recommendation/issue paper
4	Use stakeholder and SME feedback to write the Performance and Outcome System (POS) plan and submit it to the Legislature
5	Development of the implementation plan proposal

ACRONYMS

CALQIC	California Quality Improvement Coordinators
CiMH	California Institute for Mental Health
CMHDA	County Mental Health Directors Association
DHCS	Department of Health Care Services
EQRO	External Quality Review Organization
FMOR	Fiscal Management and Outcomes Reporting
ITSD	Information Technology Services Division
MHP	Mental Health Plan
POS	Performance and Outcomes System
SME	Subject Matter Expert
SMHS	Specialty Mental Health Services

MILESTONE 1: Convene a Stakeholder Advisory Committee comprised of representatives of child and youth clients, family members, providers, counties, and the Legislature in accordance with W&I Code §14707.5.			
Goals and Objectives	Tasks	Deliverable(s)	Timeline
Convene a Stakeholder Advisory Committee comprised of representatives of child and youth clients, family members, providers, counties, and the control of the control	Develop a stakeholder process composed of representative stakeholders and convene first meeting by September 1, 2012. Output: Outpu	Identify and establish a Stakeholder Advisory Committee list of representative members.	1. August - September 2012
the Legislature in accordance with W&I Code §14707.5. 1.1 Stakeholder participation and collaboration in the development of children's performance and	 Identify purpose, goals and objectives for the first stakeholder meeting. Plan the presentation and identify presenters. Develop meeting agenda and power point presentation. 	2. Establish a Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) In-box to receive stakeholder comments and recommendations.	2. October 2012
outcome system (POS).	5. Send notification and meeting documents to stakeholders and post on DHCS website.	Conduct the first stakeholder meeting.	3. October 4, 2012
	6. Convene the first stakeholder meeting.	4. Post Stakeholder Advisory Committee summary on the DHCS website.	4. Projected April 2013
	7. Create a written summary of stakeholder comments and recommendations.		
1.2 Conduct a conference call with stakeholders to provide stakeholders with project status updates.	Define purpose, goals and objectives for the stakeholder conference call.	Post notification and conference call documents on DHCS website and	As needed
	2. Plan the presentation and identify presenters.	conference call notification sent to stakeholders.	
	3. Develop meeting agenda and power point presentation (if applicable).	2. Conduct the conference call.	
		3. Post meeting summary on the DHCS website.	

Goals and Objectives	Tasks	Deliverable(s)	Timeline
1.3 Conduct a Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting to provide stakeholders with a status update on the research being done by the state and to share results of the research.	 Define purpose, goals and objectives for the stakeholder meeting. Plan the presentation and identify possible subject matter expert (SME) presenters. Develop meeting agenda and power point presentation (if applicable). a. DHCS share research and findings with stakeholders. Hold a panel discussion consisting of county subject matter experts on the various assessment tools being used by their county and the foundation for a statewide performance and outcomes system. 	 Post notification and meeting documents on DHCS website and conference call notification sent to stakeholders. Conduct the meeting. Post meeting summary on the DHCS website. 	Projected April 2013
1.4 Conduct a Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting to update stakeholders on state recommendations for the POS and solicit stakeholder input.	 Define purpose, goals and objectives for the stakeholder meeting. Plan the presentation. Develop meeting agenda and power point presentation (if applicable). Share recommendation/issue paper with stakeholders and solicit input from stakeholders. (For further details, see milestone 3, objective 3.5) Create a written summary of stakeholder comments and recommendations. 	 Post notification and meeting documents on DHCS website and conference call notification sent to stakeholders. Conduct the meeting. Post meeting summary on the DHCS website. 	Projected May 2013
1.5 Discuss with stakeholders the draft POS and implementation plans	 Define purpose, goals and objectives for the stakeholder meeting. Plan the presentation. Develop meeting agenda and power point presentation (if applicable). a. Share the DHCS draft plans. b. Solicit input from stakeholders. 	 Post notification and meeting documents on DHCS website and conference call notification sent to stakeholders. Conduct the meeting. Post meeting summary on the DHCS website. 	Projected June 2013
1.6 Additional Stakeholder Advisory Committee meetings as needed.	Provide updates and solicit feedback from stakeholders.	1. Post notification and meeting documents on DHCS website and conference call notification sent to stakeholders. 2. Conduct the meeting. 3. Post meeting summary on the DHCS website.	July 2013

MILESTONE 2: Formation of a work group to develop the recommendations regarding the Performance and Outcomes Systems and implementation plans.			
Goals and Objectives	Tasks	Deliverable(s)	Timeline
2. Form the work group	 Establish role of the work group, define the purpose, responsibilities, and tasks of the work group. Determine who the various participants of the work group will be, based upon the areas of expertise (e.g. Clinicians, Information Technology Services Division (ITSD), Fiscal Management and Outcomes Reporting (FMOR), Data Experts, County Representatives, External Quality Review Organization (EQRO)). Determine the work group formats, frequency, schedule and number of work group(s) based on purpose, responsibilities and deliverables assigned to the work group. Establish the work group and provide notification, agenda, handouts and schedule of meetings to work group members. Identify, analyze and advise options for data reporting that will be two-way, real time, and would both acknowledge and utilize relevant federally accessible databases required for HIE. Two way refers to both within and between various levels of data reporting including providers, MHPs and the State. The system will leverage both the current and known, future technology horizons. 	Convene no later than January 2013. Develop recommendations for the POS plan and implementation plan.	1. Meetings occurred on January 17 and February 26, 2013; next meeting scheduled for March 27, 2013; thereafter bi-weekly work group meetings every second Wednesday through December 2013 2. Projected May 2013

MILESTONE 3: Conduct research on Performance and Outcomes Systems and develop recommendation/issue paper.			
Goals and Objectives	Tasks	Deliverable(s)	Timeline
3. Provide recommendations, for a statewide Performance and Outcomes System that will improve outcomes at the individual, program and system levels and will inform fiscal decision making related to the purchase of services, based upon the research conducted in objectives 3.1 through 3.4 and the recommendations from the work group.	Review federal and state laws and regulations, the MHP contract, the Specialty Mental Health Services (SMHS) waiver and the State Plan. Compare requirements with current practice.	Development of a fact sheet to analyze requirements and determine if they are currently being met.	February 2013
3.1 Identify federal and state laws and regulations and authorities on quality assurance, improvement and other related activities to determine state responsibilities and compliance.			
3.2 Identify local and multi-state activities regarding Performance and Outcomes Systems, including existing data collection sources, the types of data	Send out the following: County MHP Survey - Goal is to determine what systems counties are currently using for performance and outcome measures.	Prepare and send out the various surveys and questions.	1. November 1, 2012
collected, and their applicability to the development of a statewide performance and outcomes system.	State Medicaid Directors Survey - Goal is to determine what systems other states are currently using for performance and outcome measures. Stakeholders Questions - Goal is for stakeholders to provide DHCS with what they feel needs to be/can be done in order to improve upon the system.	2. Summarize and present the survey results to stakeholders.	2. April 2013
	2. Review survey/question responses and related documents received from states and counties and summarize findings and recommendations.		
	3. Conduct a literature review using various resources (e.g., State Library, Internet searches, and SME recommendations).4. Review and identify the strengths, challenges and commonalities of the	3. Summarize the findings to determine possible POS measures applicable to California and present the information at the work group meetings.	3. November 2012 – April 2013
	various assessment tools (e.g. diagnostic, level of care, behavior scales) being used by the counties to find common core components that can possibly be incorporated into the POS and implementation plans.	Present the assessment tool summary to stakeholders.	4. Projected April 2013
	5a. Consult with the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) and Fiscal Management and Outcomes Reporting (FMOR) staff to identify the types of mental health related data currently collected by DHCS and MHPs and their applicability as performance and outcome indicators and measures.	5a. Hold meetings with county and provider organizations and summarize the recommendations made to DHCS.	5a. April - May 2013
	5b. Consult with ITSD and FMOR staff, in addition to, external subject matter experts on data sources and systems and provision of information on data selection criteria and construction of statistically valid tools and processes to measure performance and outcomes data.	5b. Incorporate recommendations in the draft POS and implementation plans.	5b. April - May 2013

MILESTONE 3: Conduct research on Performance and Outcomes Systems and develop recommendation/issue paper.			
Goals and Objectives	Tasks	Deliverable(s)	Timeline
3.3 Identify and meet with subject matter experts recommended by stakeholders, County Mental Health Plans, mental health organizations such as	Identify specific expertise/skills and subject matter experts essential to the development of the performance and outcome system.	Have subject matter experts present at a stakeholder meeting.	November 2012 - May 2013
County Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA), California Institute for Mental Health (CiMH), California Quality Improvement Coordinators (CALQIC), Mental Health Services	 Create a matrix that will document the recommendations from the subject matter expert meetings to present to the work group. Determine appropriateness of each SME for future panel discussions with 	2. Present the matrix to the work group.	
Oversight and Accountability Commission, EQRO	stakeholders.		
3.4 Based on the work in 3.1 and 3.5, develop criteria to measure performance and outcome data on the individual, program and system levels.	1. Analyze and identify similarities and differences in the data being collected and the data systems utilized by DHCS and MHPs and provide an analysis of how these similarities and differences impact the development of a statewide performance and outcome system.	1. Develop plan and recommendations to identify core performance and outcome indicators and measures on the individual, program and system levels.	Projected April 2013
	2. Analyze current data and identification of information that can be utilized as performance and outcome measurements and indicators.		
	3. Identify core performance and outcome data applicable on the individual, program and system levels.		
	4. Develop a plan to select, identify, utilize and incorporate existing applicable data to the performance and outcome measurement system.		
3.5 Summarize research findings and develop recommendations for a POS.	Write a recommendation/issue paper showing the pros and cons for selecting the appropriate assessment tools and performance and outcome measures for children and youth specialty mental health services.	Present the recommendations to stakeholders.	Projected May 2013
	a. Minimization of costs by building upon existing resources to the fullest extent possible.		
	b. Understand the interface between DHCS data and the Mental Health Plan (MHP) data systems in the development of performance and outcome measurement.		
	c. Identify the essential components and criteria of a performance outcome system and the steps in the selection process.		

MILESTONE 4: Use stakeholder and SME	MILESTONE 4: Use stakeholder and SME feedback to write the Performance and Outcome System (POS) plan and submit it to the Legislature.			
Goals and Objectives	Tasks	Deliverable(s)	Timeline	
4. Draft the plan for children's performance and outcomes system in collaboration with stakeholder and subject matter expert recommendations. Outcomes system in collaboration with stakeholder and subject matter expert recommendations.	 Using stakeholder feedback and DHCS management direction, define the purpose, goals and objectives of the POS plan. Develop and outline the steps and tasks in the development of the POS plan including timelines/milestones. Gather and review recommendations and findings from subject matter experts, stakeholders, research findings and other documents. Collaborate with ITSD, DHCS Research and Analytic Studies Branch (RASB) and the CMHDA IT Committee to identify process for county reporting to the Department. Identify key components and content areas of the POS plan. 	Send initial draft out to stakeholders for feedback	June 2013	
	 Write the POS plan. Review of the POS plan by DHCS and edit plan as recommended. Obtain discussion and feedback from subject matter experts, stakeholders and DHCS staff. Gather and organize the feedback received from subject matter experts, stakeholders and departmental staff regarding the POS plan. 			
4.1 Revise the draft POS plan.	Incorporate stakeholder feedback into the draft POS plan.	Send final draft out to stakeholders for feedback	July 2013	
4.2 Finalize the POS plan.	 Incorporate stakeholder feedback into the final draft POS plan. Obtain management sign-off of final draft. 	 Provide final plan to DHCS management Submit the plan to the Legislature. 	October 2013	

MILESTONE 5: Development of the Implementation Plan Proposal.			
Goals and Objectives	Tasks	Deliverable(s)	Timeline
5. Write the implementation plan proposal.	Using stakeholder feedback and DHCS management direction, define the purpose, goals and objectives of the implementation plan.	Send initial draft out to stakeholders for feedback	August 2013
	2. Develop and outline the steps and tasks in the development of an implementation plan including timelines/milestones.		
	3. Gather and review recommendations and findings from subject matter experts, stakeholders, research findings and other documents.		
	4. Collaborate with DHCS Information Technology Services Division (ITSD), DHCS Fiscal Management and Outcomes Reporting (FMOR) and the CMHDA IT Committee to identify process for county reporting to the Department.		
	5. Identify key components of the implementation plan and content areas of the plan.		
	6. Write the implementation plan to include the phases of implementation for the POS system, such as planning, designing, developing, testing and evaluating.		
	7. Review of the implementation plan by DHCS and edit plan as recommended.		
	8. Obtain discussion and feedback from subject matter experts, stakeholders and DHCS staff.		
	9. Gather and organize the feedback received from subject matter experts, stakeholders and departmental staff regarding the POS plan.		
5.1 Stakeholder review of the proposed implementation plan.	Incorporate stakeholder feedback into the draft implementation plan.	Send final draft out to stakeholders for feedback.	October 2013
5.2 Finalize the implementation plan proposal to submit to the Legislature.	 Incorporate stakeholder feedback into the final draft implementation plan. Obtain management sign-off of final draft. 	Provide final plan to DHCS management	January 10, 2014
	2. Obtain management sign on or mar drait.	2. Submit the plan to the Legislature.	

Timeline and Deliverables: August 1, 2012 through January 10, 2014

2012

August	 Identify and establish a Stakeholder Advisory Committee list of representative members. (See Milestone 1, Goal 1)
October	 Establish a Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) In-box to receive stakeholder comments and recommendations. (See Milestone 1, Goal 1) First Stakeholder Advisory Committee held on October 4, 2012
November	 Research and collection of national and state survey information (See Milestone 3, Goal) Meetings with subject matter experts in the field of mental health performance and outcomes data (See Milestone 3, Goal 3.2)
December	 Hold meetings with the subject matter experts to gather pertinent EPSDT POS information. (See Milestone 3, Goal 3.2)

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January	 Convene no later than January 2013. (See Milestone 2, Goal 2) Formation of a Work Group with subject matter experts (See Milestone 2)
February	 Conduct Stakeholder Advisory Committee conference call as needed. (See Milestone 1, Goal 1.2) Development of a fact sheet to analyze requirements and determine if they are currently being met. (See Milestone 3, Goal 3.1) Ongoing Work Group meetings (See Milestone 2)
March	 Develop recommendations for the POS plan and implementation plan. (See Milestone 2, Goal 2) Present the matrix to the work group. (See Milestone 3, Goal 1) Develop POS plan and recommendations to identify core performance and outcome indicators and measures on the individual, program and system levels. (See Milestone 3, Goal 3.4)
April	 Ongoing work group meetings (See Milestone 2) Conduct Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting with expert panel discussion (See Milestone 1, Goal 1.3) Present research and survey results to stakeholders (See Milestone 3, Goal 3.2) Present the assessment tool summary/analysis to stakeholders. (See Milestone 3, Goal 3.2) Present the recommendations to stakeholders. (See Milestone 3, Goal 3.5) Have subject matter experts present at a stakeholder meeting. (See Milestone 3, Goal 1)

May	 Conduct Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting. (See Milestone 1, Goal 1.4) Ongoing Work Group meetings (See Milestone 2) Draft POS Plan Send initial draft out to stakeholders for feedback. (See Milestone 4, Goal 4)
June	 Conduct Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting. (See Milestone 1, Goal 1.5) Ongoing Work Group meetings (See Milestone 2) Revise Draft (See Milestone 4, Goal 4.1)
July	 Conduct Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting. (See Milestone 1) Ongoing Work Group meetings (See Milestone 2) Revise Draft (See Milestone 4, Goal 4.1)
August	 Ongoing Work Group meetings (See Milestone 2) Write Implementation Plan and send initial draft out to stakeholders for feedback. (See Milestone 5, Goal 5.1)
October	 Submit the POS plan to the Legislature. (See Milestone 4, Goal 4.2) Send final Implementation Plan draft out to stakeholders for feedback. (See Milestone 5, Goal 5.1)

January	 Submit the Implementation Plan to the Legislature. (See Milestone 5, Goal 5.2) 	

Proposed Meeting Schedule: September 2012 – December 2013

Stakeholder Advisory Committee

Performance and Outcomes System Work Group

October 2012

April 2013

May 2013

June 2013

July 2013

September 2013

December 2013

January 2013

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March 2013

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