



MEETING MINUTES
Narcotic Treatment Program Advisory Committee
1700 K Street, First Floor Conference Room
JANUARY 12, 2016

Members Present:

Marlies Perez, DHCS
Michele Wong, DHCS
Michael Freeman, DHCS

Steve Day
Alice Gleghorn
Jason Kletter, Ph.D.
Judy Martin, MD
Steve Maulhardt

Laura Rossi, PhD.
Al Senella
Stan Sharma, Ph.D.

Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and Substance Use Disorder Compliance Division (SUDCD) Update, Marlies Perez

DHCS informed that California's 1115 Waiver Renewal, called Medi-Cal 2020, was approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on Dec. 30, 2015, and was effective January 1, 2016. Medi-Cal 2020 will guide DHCS through the next five years as the department works to transform the way Medi-Cal provides services to its 12.8 million members, and improve quality of care, access, and efficiency. The Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS), as part of the Medi-Cal 2020 waiver, was extended through 2020. Minor changes were made to the DMC-ODS Standard Terms and Conditions including primarily formatting, numbering and some additions, including Certified Public Expenditure protocol and clarification of Medication Assisted Treatment services.

DMC-ODS Waiver Update, Marlies Perez

DHCS has secured California Institute Behavioral Health Services (CIBHS) as a contractor for Technical Assistance and Training for the DMC-ODS Waiver. CIBHS will be working along with University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) to provide services and fulfill the contract. The contract begins on January 15, 2016.

DHCS has received four county implementation plans for the DMC-ODS Waiver and is currently in the process of reviewing them. The draft versions of counties' implementation plans are available online.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/County-Implementation-Plans-.aspx>.

Phase 2 counties will continue to meet in February and Phase 3 counties are tentatively scheduled to begin receiving their Departmental technical assistance in March.

Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Division (PTRSD) Update, Don Braeger

State Plan Amendment (SPA) 15-016 is still undergoing the Departmental approval process and has not been submitted to CMS for approval. Questions and concerns regarding the SPA, providers and counties were addressed.

CIBHS Technical Assistance Discussion, Victor Kogler

DHCS granted CIBHS with a contract to provide technical assistance and training related to the DMC-ODS Waiver. CIBHS will be working with UCLA to provide the training. Trainings will be held throughout the state and through webinars, when appropriate.

Provider Enrollment Division (PED) Certification Update, Katrina Butcher

PED provided updates on Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) items including status of recertification and the 6010 form. Concerns about the 6010 form were expressed. The few NTP facilities that have not yet submitted their 6010 form were notified by PED, and to avoid suspension of DMC certification must meet the submission deadline of January 23, 2016.

For DMC-ODS Waiver technical assistance, please contact: 916-322-5109

For DMC application status, please contact: 916-323-1945

NTP Regulation Update– SUDCD, Michael Freeman

Regulations have been submitted to DHCS Office of Regulations and the division is currently waiting for feedback. The Department wants to move forward to the public comment period soon. The regulations package includes changes regarding Buprenorphine, SB973, the capacity process, hub and spoke models, and several miscellaneous items.

Medication Units, Michael Freeman

Licensure of Medication Units was discussed, including the relevant California Code of Regulations, Title 9, Section 10020 citation. Medication units are also defined under federal regulations and SAMHSA requires notification via submission of an updated on-line SMA-162, with no additional certification needed. If a NTP provider is interested in applying to open a Medication Unit, please reach out to the NTP Section to discuss the application process and requirements in further detail.

Mid-Level Practitioners Application Project, Michael Freeman

The Mid-Level Practitioners application and exception process was discussed with Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) regional representative. DHCS must initially approve the exception and then complete the process with CSAT. DHCS developed an application process and are currently piloting the new procedure. If a NTP provider is interested in applying for this exception, please reach out to the NTP Section to discuss further.

Agenda Items for the Next Meeting

The next advisory group meeting will be held at *1500 Capitol Avenue, First Floor, Training Room A*, on May 9, 2016.

Providers would like to discuss:

- 438 Requirements
- Same day billing draft (PTRSD)
- NTP Regulations

Please submit any additional suggestions for agenda items to the NTP Section at DHCSNTP@dhcs.ca.gov.

The Department would like to work collaboratively with the Narcotic Treatment Program Advisory Committee and are committed to addressing all NTP issues and obtaining input from the experts in the field. The Department's mission is to provide Californians with access to affordable, high-quality health care, including medical, dental, mental health, substance use treatment services, and long-term care. Our vision is to preserve and improve the physical and mental health of all Californians.

Meeting adjourned at 2pm.