Follow-up Items from February 12, 2020, SAC Meeting

Budget

Anthony Wright, Health Access CA: We are excited about the expansion of Medi-Cal regardless of immigration status. Since this is related to the previous conversation about public charge, what is your thinking on the implications and how to be welcoming? What are you observing about enrollment for the youth expansion in Medi-Cal?

<u>DHCS Response:</u> Jacey Cooper, DHCS: I can get back to you on the young adults. We want to make Medi-Cal as welcoming as possible while disclosing the information individuals need during the application process.

<u>DHCS Follow-Up</u>: Young Adult Expansion data for January 2020 is available <u>here</u>. Additional months will be added as processed.

Coverage Expansion to Undocumented Young Adults

Anthony Wright, Health Access CA: Over what time period were they in restricted scope? Is there a redetermination process?

<u>DHCS Response</u>: *Erica Bonnifield, DHCS*: I can take that back to clarify but that is my understanding that there was point in time used to identify the population for transition.

<u>DHCS Follow-Up</u>: SAWS initiated a batch process to transition YAE eligible individuals from restricted scope Medi-Cal to full scope Medi-Cal, effective January 1, 2020. The dataset used for the transition population of 67,792 was relative to a single point in time only: The transition population (External Baseline – based on number of individuals DHCS mailed the General Information Notice); Source: MEDS; Month of Eligibility: September 2019): https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Documents/SB104/20200108-Young-Adult-Expansion-Transition-Baseline.pdf

Anthony Wright, Health Access CA: Do we have any tracking of utilization of those who transitioned?

<u>DHCS Response</u>: *Erica Bonnifield, DHCS*: I can get that information for utilization post transition.

<u>DHCS Follow-Up:</u> The last MEDS data pull on Young Adult Expansion was on February 13, 2020, and included data from February 1, 2020 to February 29, 2020. https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Documents/SB104/20200302-YAEDataSet.pdf

CalAIM

Carrie Gordon, CA Dental Association: Can DHCS let us know how the fiscal projections for dental were calculated? There are data quality and utilization issues and a time lag for DTI. I want to emphasize that DHCS not go back to a lack of data from safety net clinics. We don't want to lose the progress that DTI payments have produced.

DHCS Response: *Jacey Cooper, DHCS*: We can connect you with Rene to get those fiscals.

<u>DHCS Follow-Up</u>: CalAIM was a policy that was heavily influenced by the principles of DTI so our goal with CalAIM is to sustain provider participation and dental utilization. The data used to generate the fiscals for CalAIM was based on State Fiscal Year 18/19 data, leveraging utilization from the various DTI domains and was inclusive of all delivery systems including Safety Net Clinics.

Expanding Access for Dual Eligibles for LTSS

Ryan Witz, California Hospital Association: Will DHCS submit comments in relation to the D-SNP and look-alike policy? Similar to the MFAR process, can you share the comments ahead of time?

DHCS Response: Jacey Cooper, DHCS: Yes, we will be submitting and will share once it is complete.

DHCS Follow-Up: The comments that DHCS submitted on the D-SNP look-alike policy are posted publicly on Regulations.gov and can be found at: https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=CMS-2020-0010-0164