

Follow-Up Item from February 12, 2020, BH-SAC Meeting

Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Waiver Planning

Sara Gavin, CommuniCare Health Centers: I appreciate the changes in the DMC-ODS waiver and see huge benefits. Specifically, on perinatal programs, this service needs additional resources to be effective, such as childcare. There are many programs who provide this service and are not reimbursed.

DHCS Response: *Kelly Pfeifer, DHCS:* I hadn't thought about that and will look into it.

DHCS Follow-Up: The Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant allows child care services for perinatal clients and only while a woman is receiving the actual treatment service or has a medical appointment. This is generally achieved through a child care collective, however, if a county finds that it is not feasible, they can find child care elsewhere within reason. Details are outlined in the Perinatal Practice Guidelines at https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Documents/Perinatal_Practice_Guidelines_FY1819.pdf.