
Health Homes for Patients with Complex Needs

*Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting
May 2015*



Background

- ACA Section 2703

Created the new health homes optional Medicaid benefit for intensive care coordination for people with chronic conditions

- Six care coordination services: Comprehensive care management, Care coordination, Health promotion, Comprehensive transitional care, Individual and family supports, and Referral to community and social services

- 90% federal funding for eight quarters, and 50% thereafter



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- AB 361 – enacted in 2013
 - Requires inclusion of a specific target population of frequent utilizers and those experiencing homelessness
 - Requires that DHCS implement only if no additional General Fund moneys will be used



Timeline

8/14 – 1/16	Ongoing stakeholder engagement
4/15 – 7/15	Consultation with federal authorities (SAMHSA and CMS) on Health Homes Program (HHP) model
7/15 – 12/15	Begin provider technical assistance, build health home networks, and prepare for program implementation
8/15	Formal State Plan Amendment (SPA) submission to CMS
10/15 – 12/15	CMS approval of 2703 SPA
1/16	Begin operating HHP (SPA effective date for enhanced match purposes)
12/17	End of 8 quarters of enhanced match for first SPA



Program Design

Concept Paper Version 2.0 was the latest iteration of program design. Program design work continues on these topics:

- Eligibility Criteria
- Geographic Phasing
- HHP Services
- HHP Network Infrastructure
- Quality Measures and Evaluation
- Payment Methodology and Rates



Additional Items of Interest

- Program Design Work Sessions in June
 - Developing geographic readiness assessment (MCPs, MHPs, CB-CMEs, etc.)
 - Technical Assistance and Outreach
 - Individual Practice Coaching
 - Provider and Beneficiary Outreach
 - HHP Interaction with Current Initiatives (e.g. 1115 Waiver, 1915(c) Waivers, TCM, MH/SUD)
 - SPA Development and Submission
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Stakeholder Engagement

- Webinar on April 15 reviewed Concept Paper Version 2.0
 - 340 attendees
 - Just completed 3-week stakeholder comment period
- Stakeholder events for feedback on program evolution continue until August SPA submission
- Visit the Stakeholder Events page for links to Concept Paper Version 2.0 and a recording of the April 15 webinar:

www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/Pages/HealthHomesStakeholderEventInfo.aspx



Stakeholder Engagement

Visit the DHCS Health Homes Program web page for more information:

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Please email the DHCS Health Homes Program mailbox HHP@dhcs.ca.gov to:

- Send comments/questions
- Request to receive notices of stakeholder events



