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Agenda



- Current State
- FY18 rate review projects
- CAF analysis and UFR discussions
- Other Business
 - Ready Pay
 - Healthcare reform & workforces issues
 - PCAC and the future



Current State



As we move to close out FY17 and complete our settlement obligations we currently stand with the below accomplishments.

Completion and promulgation on or before July 1, 2017 for all Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 projects not listed below as exceptions:

CBFS: Promulgation agreed by all parties for July 1, 2018 and a 2.5% CAF for FY18

RESPITE: Promulgation agreed to October 1, 2017

Regulation awaiting Final ANF Approval (anticipate filing with SoS on either 5/19/17 or June 2, 2017 for promulgation July 1, 2017

- Respite
- Lead Agency
- PACT
- OBOTs/ TEAs



Rate Review Projects for FY18

- 101 CMR 417: Rates for Certain Elder Care Services
- 101 CMR 423: In Home Basic Living Support Services
- 101 CMR 413: Youth Intermediate Term Stabilization (specific to CSN only)
- 101 CMR 415: Community Based Day Supports
- 101 CMR 416: Clubhouse
- 101 CMR 418: Youth Short Term Stabilization (specific to ALP)
- 101 CMR 419: Supported Employment
- 101 CMR 421: Adult Housing and Community Services
- 101 CMR 422: General Programs – Disability Services
- 101 CMR 346: Substance Related and Addictive Disorders (Detox & Stepdown)
- 101 CMR 414: Family Stabilization Services
- 101 CMR 349: Early Intervention Services



Chapter 257 Projects:



- ❑ Administrative Cost Basis for “Pass Through” Costs
 - ✓ Ad-hoc committee (B. Bird, B Sprague, M. Berliner and EHS)
 - ✓ Next meeting to be held on June 29, 2017

- ❑ UFR Discussion
 - ✓ The UFR manual will be updated from all the input from the primary purchasing agency and the additional changes that came out of the Providers Council meetings
 - ✓ Ad-hoc workgroup established (DDS, EHS and Ruth Banta on behalf of providers)
 - ✓ EHS POS UFR manual updates to OSD by June 3, 2017
 - EHS Recommendation to break out ALTR Occupancy from Operational UFR reporting.

- ❑ CAF Analysis Project
 - ✓ PCG is in the final stages of completing their CAF / CIF / other industry methodology analysis.
 - ✓ EHS to provide more information on analysis at our next PCAC meeting.



Other Business



- Ready Pay
 - Beginning on October 1, 2017, EOHHS was considering suspending the option of Ready Pay for vendors who are paid through this mechanism. After further review and discussion with providers, EOHHS has decided to make no changes effective October 1, 2017 or anytime in FY18.
- Healthcare reform & workforces issues



Chapter 257 Provider and Consumer Advisory Council (PCAC) Governance Charter



Background and Authority

The Chapter 257 PCAC is established by EXECUTIVE ORDER 536, ESTABLISHING THE CHAPTER 257 OF THE ACTS OF 2008 PROVIDER AND CONSUMER ADVISORY COUNCIL. Governor Patrick has designated the Secretary of Health and Human Services as Chairperson to convene and preside at Chapter 257 PCAC meetings.

Mission and Role

The role of the Chapter 257 of the Acts of 2008 Provider and Consumer Advisory Council (PCAC) is to facilitate the involvement of Massachusetts human service providers and consumers, in an advisory capacity, in the development of policies, plans and initiatives to address issues that have the system-level impact on the implementation of Chapter 257 across all agencies and programs subject to Chapter 257.

Responsibility and Scope of Activities

The role of the Chapter 257 PCAC is **advisory** in matters of policy development and priority setting. The Chapter 257 PCAC does not have a role in the operations, management, or development of rates of reimbursement under Chapter 257 of the Acts of 2008.



Chapter 257: PCAC Information



Upcoming 2017 Meetings for the Provider and Consumer Advisory Council

Thursday, September 14, 2017- 1:00 – 2:00 pm

<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/provider/contracting/chap257/provider-advisory-council.html>

CY 2017 Provider and Consumer Advisory Council Meetings

Thursday, September 14, 2017

Thursday, December 14, 2017

All PCAC meetings will be held in the Matta Conference room at 1 Ashburton Place 11th floor from 1 pm – 2 pm.