Anchor Conference Call



February 5, 2021 1:30-3:00 p.m. CST

1. General Anchor Communication

• Thanks for your continued work!

2. DSRIP Implementation

DY9R2 (October) Reporting Timeline:

• **February 24, 2021** – HHSC and CMS will approve or deny the additional information submitted in response to HHSC comments on October reported milestone/metric achievement.

Category B:

- Plan modifications that impact April DY10 reporting are due **March 2, 2021** and can be submitted by email to the waiver mailbox at TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us.
- If the plan modification request is related to the impact of COVID-19 on the provider's patient volume or system, then the provider should include the following information in their request.
 - Proposed DY9 PPP baselines/goals (i.e., Total PPP, MLIU PPP, Estimated Medicaid PPP, Estimated
 LIU PPP) and an explanation of how the proposed goal was calculated
 - Detailed explanation about why the provider wouldn't meet their goal with 35% allowable variation for DY9
 - Which system components, services, and/or departments are being impacted
 - An estimated impact on patient volume and duration of impact
 - Details about any operational changes (e.g., if staff was reassigned, changes to hours of operation, etc.) and when these changes took place

Category C:

Category C PY3 Optional Telehealth Measures: On 1/29/21, HHSC updated the optional telehealth specifications that may be used for PY3 (CY2020) reporting. The Category C PY3 Telehealth Specifications Reporting Options guidance document and the Category C Measure Specifications Excel file (v2) were posted to the DSRIP Bulletin Board and sent via e-mail to providers. As previously noted, although HHSC anticipates PY4 (CY2021) reporting to have the same telehealth allowances, this guidance is currently limited to PY3 reporting. HHSC will provide additional guidance regarding PY4 reporting pending CMS approvals of COVID-specific allowances for CY2021.

3. DSRIP Transition

DY11 Proposed Directed Payment Programs:

HHSC conducted a public hearing on January 20, 2021 to review proposed measures and performance requirements for two directed payment programs for SFY 2022: The Comprehensive Hospital Increased

Reimbursement Program (CHIRP) and the Texas Incentives for Physicians and Professional Services (TIPPS). A recording of the hearing is available at this link.

Rural Access to Primary and Preventive Services Program (RAPPS)

- Proposed new rules §353.1315 and §353.1317 were published in the January 29, 2021 issue of the <u>Texas</u>
 <u>Register</u> for public comment. Comments may be submitted to
 <u>TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us</u> by midnight on February 13.
- HHSC held a public hearing on the proposed rules for RAPPS on February 5. A recording is available at <u>this</u> link.
- <u>Program Requirements</u> and <u>Proposed Measures and specifications</u> are posted for public comment through February 17. Please provide comments and feedback through the <u>Microsoft Forms survey</u>.

Directed Payment Program for Behavioral Health Services (BHS)

- Proposed new rules §353.1320 and §353.1322 were published in the January 29, 2021 issue of the <u>Texas</u>
 <u>Register</u> for public comment. Comments may be submitted to
 <u>TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us</u> by midnight on February 13.
- HHSC held a public hearing on the proposed rules for BHS on February 5. A recording is available at <u>this</u> link.
- <u>Program Requirements</u> and <u>Proposed Measures and specifications</u> are posted for public comment through February 17. Please provide comments and feedback through the <u>Microsoft Forms survey</u>.

Communication Resources

- Questions on CHIRP or TIPPS measures or performance requirements: TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us
- Questions on CHIRP or TIPPS rules, eligibility, classes, components, financial requirements (i.e. anything other than measures and performance requirements): RAD 1115 Waiver Finance@hhsc.state.tx.us
- Questions on RAPPS or BH DPP: TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us
- Questions on DSRIP Transition Plan and Milestones: TXHealthcareTransformation@hhsc.state.tx.us
- Questions on 1115 Waiver Extension: TX Medicaid Waivers@hhsc.state.tx.us

4. Other Information

• Anchor calls will be held via Microsoft Teams beginning March 5, 2021. Participants will also have the option to use a call-in number.