(APPROVED 6/16/2022)

February 17th, 2022 Videoconference 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Meeting Minutes

Panel Members: Frederick Cohen, Chair; Kathryn Haslanger; Elisabeth Benjamin; Sheila Nelson; Neil Heyman; Joel Landau (absent); Jay

Silverman; Amber Decker; Donna Colonna; Frederick Riccardi; Ricardo Rivera-Cardona.

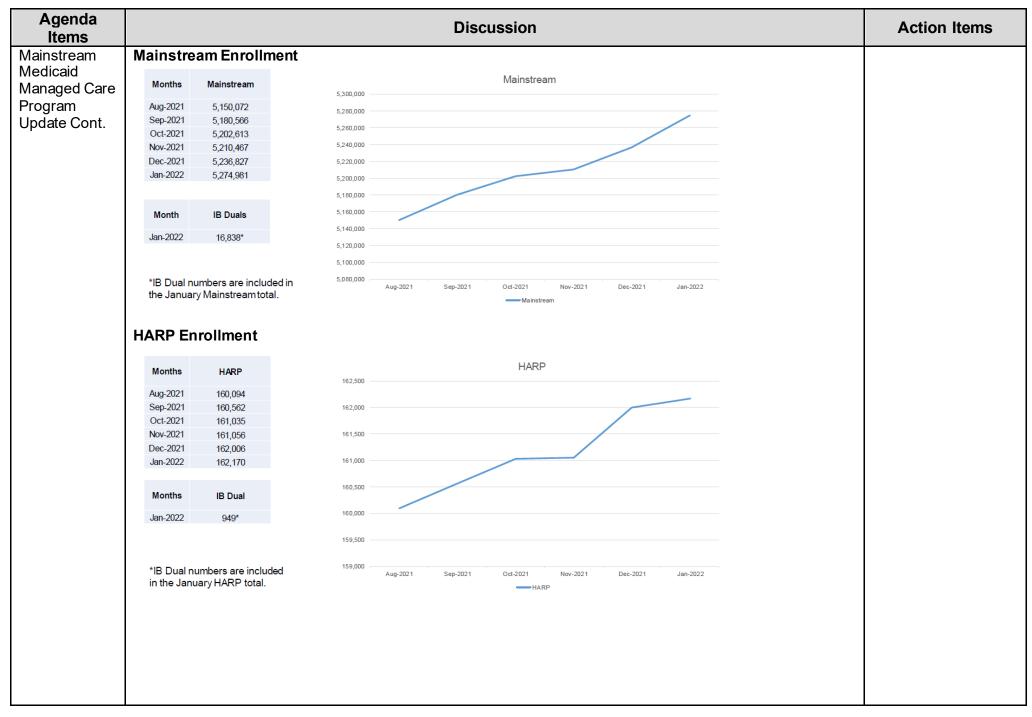
NYS DOH Staff: Jonathan Bick; Susan Montgomery; Patricia Sheppard; Christine DiCaprio-Yandik; Krysten Bissaillon; Gayle Emrich; Isma

Pervaiz; Erin Kate Calicchia; April Hamilton.

Presenters/Guests: Jonathan Bick, New York State Department of Health (DOH); Susan Montgomery (DOH); Gayle Emrich (DOH); Erin Kate

Calicchia (DOH), April Hamilton (DOH); Lynne Schafer (OMH).

Agenda Items			Discussion	Action Items
Discussion and review of	The 12/	16/2021 min	utes were unanimously approved.	
12-16-2021 minutes	Fred Co	hen introdu	ced the new panel member, Ricardo Rivera-Cardona.	
MMCARP Bylaw	Erin Kat	e Calicchia (NYSDOH), reported the following:	
Subcommittee Update			ed out to the State Ethics Officer to provide the subcommittee with conflict-of-interest g should be scheduled soon.	
Mainstream Medicaid Managed Care	Jonatha	ın Bick (NYS	DOH), reported the following:	
Program Update	Enrollm • I	Enrollment S	or all programs are included in the meeting information we sent to you	
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	Total M	Total Medicaid Managed Care Enrollment		
	Months	Total Medicaid Managed Care	Total Managed Care	
	Aug-2021	5,609,479		
	Sep-2021	5,641,747		
	Oct-2021	5,663,563	5,700,000	
	Nov-2021	5,671,780		
	Dec-2021	5,700,708	5,650,000	
	Jan-2022	5,736,983		
			5,600,000	
			5,550,000	
			5,500,000 Aug-2021 Sep-2021 Oct-2021 Nov-2021 Dec-2021 Jan-2022 ——Total Managed Care	



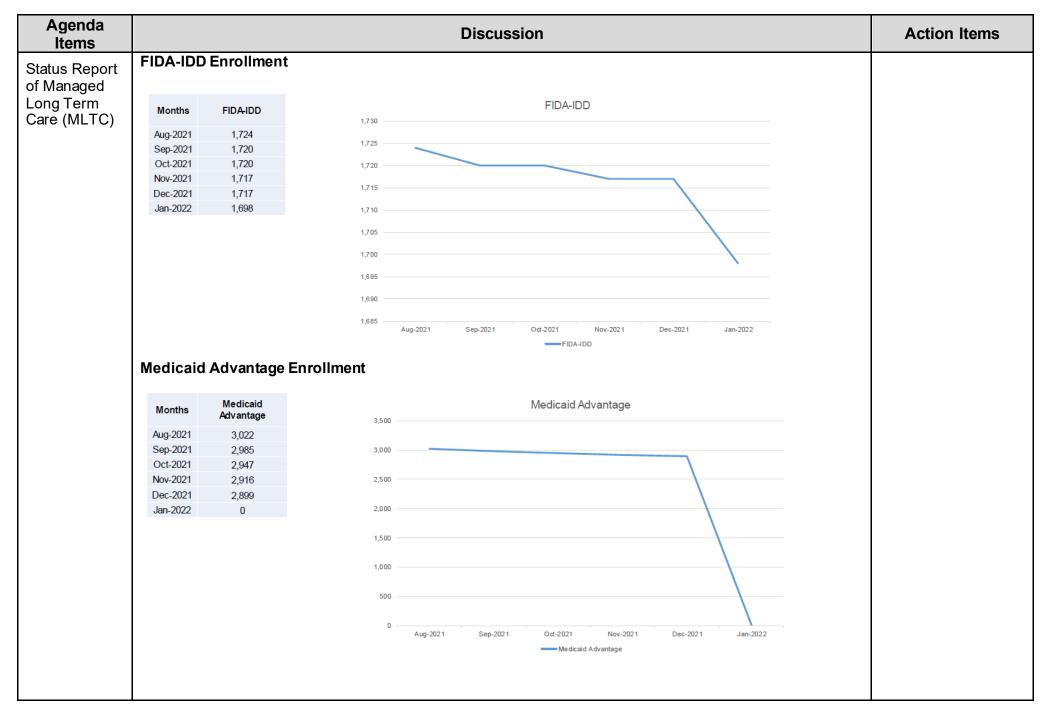
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Mainstream Medicaid	HIV-SNP	Enrollment		
Managed Care Program	Months	HIV-SNP	HIV-SNP	
Update Cont.	Aug-2021	15,509		
'	Sep-2021	15,559	15,650	
	Oct-2021	15,554	15,550	
	Nov-2021	15,591		
	Dec-2021	15,592	15,600	
	Jan-2022	15,662		
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Mainstream Medicaid Managed Care Program Update Cont.	 New Applications Partner's Health Plan(PHP) has been conditionally certified as an Article 44 mainstream HMO in NYS. Awaiting satisfaction of program requirements (OMH) before enrollment can begin. Hamaspik Inc.has applied to be certified as an Article 44 mainstream HMO in NYS. Hamaspik currently holds an Article 4403-f certification as a Managed Long-Term Care plan. (Currently under OMH/OASAS Provider Network review and updated financial projections. TriADDdba MY COMPASS-Has applied to be certified as an Article 44 mainstream HMO in all 62 counties in NYS. * Due to COVID-19 many of the expansions have been delayed as a result of MCOs shifting resources during the statewide emergency. New Benefits/Populations & Benefit Changes 	
	Transition of Children Placed in Foster Care and NYS Public Health Law Article 29 -I Health Facility Services into Medicaid Managed Care The below documents have been added to the 29 -I Health Facility (VFCA Transition) page. • 29-I Health Facility Billing FAQ-UPDATE -December 2021 (PDF)	
	New York Medicaid Program 29-I Health Facility BILLING GUIDANCEVersion 2021-8 –December 2021 (PDF) Guide to Edits: New York Medicaid Program 29-I Health Facility BILLING GUIDANCEVersion 2021-8 –December 2021 (PDF)	
	 Notification to Medicaid Managed Care Plans (MMCPs) Regarding Resolution of System Configuration Issues for Passthrough Payments-UPDATE -December 21, 2021 (PDF) Transition of Children Placed in Foster Care and NYS Public Health Law Article 29-I Health Facility 	
	Services into Medicaid Managed Care Version 2.1–January 2022 (PDF) o Guide to Edits: Transition of Children Placed in Foster Care and NYS Public Health Law Article 29-I Health Facility Services into Medicaid Managed Care Version 2.1–January 2022 (PDF)	
	Plan Network Provider Education Letters have also been posted to the VFCA Transition page.	

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Mainstream Medicaid Managed Care	Coverage for Developmental Screening, including Autism Spectrum Disorder, in the "First Three Years of Life"	
Program Update Cont.	The New York State (NYS) Medicaid program will provide reimbursement for developmental screening in the "First Three Years of Life" of a child, in addition to the payment for an Evaluation and Management (E&M) service, effective April 1, 2022 for Medicaid Managed Care (MMC) Plans.	
	Developmental screening for ASD by a primary care provider using a validated screening tool may be reimbursed up to two times in the child's "First Three Years of Life" of the child, beginning at 18 months of age. Developmental screening for global developmental delay by a primary care provider using a validated screening tool may be reimbursed up to one time per year in the "First Three Years of Life" of the child. Screening can be integrated into the well-childcare schedule.	
	More information can be found in the December 2021 Medicaid Update.	
	COVID-19 Update Policy and Billing Guidance	
	 The New York State Department of Health has updated/added the following policy and billing guidance documents. New York State (NYS) Medicaid Pharmacy Policy and Billing Guidance for At Home COVID-19 Testing Coverage New York State (NYS) Medicaid Fee-For-Service (FFS) Policy and Billing Guidance for COVID-19 Testing and Specimen Collection at Pharmacies New York State (NYS) Medicaid Policy and Billing Guidance for Reimbursement of COVID-19 Monoclonal Antibody (mAb) Therapeutic Dispensing or Administration at Pharmacies New York State (NYS) Medicaid Policy and Billing Guidance for Pharmacy Reimbursement of COVID-19 Oral Antivirals New York State (NYS) Medicaid Billing Guidance for COVID-19 Testing and Specimen Collection and Therapeutics 	
	These documents are available on the COVID-19 Guidance for Medicaid Providers webpage, which is updated regularly with guidance and information.	
	COVID-19 Vaccine Counseling Coverage	
	Effective December 1, 2021, Medicaid Managed Care Plans will provide reimbursement for COVID-19 vaccine counseling to unvaccinated Medicaid enrollees to encourage the administration of the COVID-19 vaccine.	

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Mainstream Medicaid Managed Care Program Update Cont.	More information can be found in the November 2021 Medicaid Update: https://www.health.ny.gov/health.care/medicaid/program/update/2021/no13_2021-11.htm#vaccine 1115 Waiver Application Update Submitted Concept Paper to CMS in August, which outlines a request for up to \$17 billion in new federal investments over five years to address the health disparities and systemic health care delivery issues highlighted and exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. • Next Steps: • Finalize 1115 renewal: Currently, the 1115 wavier is under a one-year temporary extension that expires in March 2022. DOH is in negotiations with CMS for a five-year renewal. • Convert Concept Paper into 1115 waiver application and incorporate CMS feedback: CMS feedback was largely positive, and they recommended that the State submit a formal waiver application as the next step. • Plan to Begin Transparency Process in March: • Tribes Noticed 60 Days Prior to Intended Submission Date • 30-Day Public Comment Period • Two Public Hearings	
Behavioral Health/HARP/ Health Home	Lynne Schafer (NYSOMH), reported the following:	
Update	Community Oriented Recovery and Empowerment (CORE) went live as of 2/1/2022	
	 Benefit information, webinars, and resources are available on the OMH CORE Website and the MCTAC CORE Website: 	
	-https://omh.ny.gov/omhweb/bho/core/ -https://www.ctacny.org/special-initiatives/CORE/#	

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Behavioral Health/HARP/	Pre-and Post-CORE Implementation Service A	rrays	
Health Home	BH HCBS Service Array	Service Array Post-CORE Transition	
Update	 Community Psychiatric Support and Treatment Psychosocial Rehabilitation Empowerment Services – Peer Supports Family Support and Training 	These services are available in the CORE service array for HARP enrollees and HARP-eligible HIV-SNP enrollees.	
	 5. Habilitation 6. Education Support Services 7. Pre-Vocational Services 8. Transitional Employment 9. Intensive Supported Employment 10. Ongoing Supported Employment 11. Non-Medical Transportation 	These services remain in Adult BH HBCS for HARP enrollees and HARP-eligible HIV-SNP enrollees.	
	12. Short Term Crisis Respite 13. Intensive Crisis Respite	These services are available to all Medicaid Managed Care members in the Crisis Intervention Crisis Residence Services benefit.	
Auto- Assignment Report	Gayle Emrich (NYSDOH) and panel members dis Assignment Report.	cussed the November Medicaid Managed Care Auto	
Status Report of Managed Long Term Care (MLTC)	Jonathan Bick & Susan Montgomery (NYSDOH),	reported the following:	

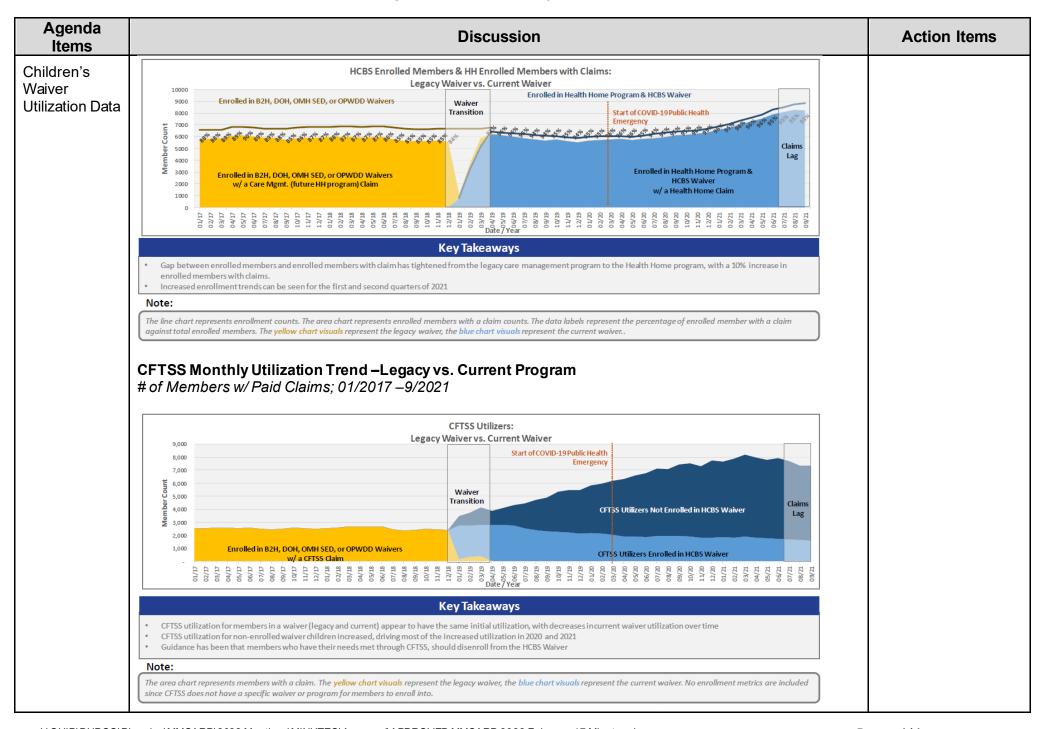




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_	PACE Enrollment Months PACE 6,000 — Aug-2021 5,420 5,900 — Sep-2021 5,457 5,900 — Oct-2021 5,522 5,800 — Nov-2021 5,698 — 5,700 — Dec-2021 5,840 — 5,600 — Jan-2022 5,941 5,500 — 5,400 — 5,400 —	PACE	Action Items
		ion initiated and executed by the Department, and disenrolled members S for on-going coverage of their long term nursing home care, effective	
		members who meet the following criteria:	
	Designated as Long Term Nursi Member has been in a LTNHS for	ng Home Stay (LTNHS); or more than three months (LTNHS 3+); and	
		y the local department of social services (LDSS) to be financially eligible	
	Note: Members that are submitted for the above criteria is met.	nrough the "Batch Process" must have systematic data to verify that the	
	MLTC Social Adult Day Care Self-Ass	sessments Update	
		arch 17, 2014, is intended to maximize opportunities for	

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Status Report	participants in HCBS programs to have access to the benefits in the most community integrated settings	
of Managed	and requires verification that sites are compliant by March 2023. As a key foundation of the HCBS Final	
Long Term Care (MLTC)	Rule, all SADC service settings are required to establish and maintain a person centered planning	
(,	process, including the development and ongoing monitoring of a person centered plan for each	
	participant receiving services. The project to assess and achieve compliance is underway	
	December 2021: Survey tool distributed and due, along with guidance and person centered planning	
	training. 32 Partial Cap, MAP and PACE plans were expected to submit 3,197 SADC Site Self	
	assessment Survey Tools. DOH has identified approximately 650 unique (non duplicated sites).	
	 January February 2022: DOH has received 55% of the expected Self-assessment Survey Tools. 	
	All submitted SADC site self-assessments are under review with DOH. DOH is working with plans	
	to remediate any incomplete or missing data	
	February June 2022: DOH conducts the full QA review of all submitted self assessments	
	HCBSSADCSiteAssessments@health.ny.gov	
		Motion Passed
	New York Independent Assessor	Fred Cohen requested
	 The implementation date of the New York Independent Assessor is now anticipated to begin on May 1, 2022. 	that more detailed information on the Independent Assessor
	New section on DOH website: New York Independent Assessor (NYIA)	be provided at the next MMCARP
	 Trainings posted: December NYIA Overview, Initial Assessment Process, Communications, Notices and Reporting 	meeting.
	Next training scheduled: February 16 –Variance Process and Independent Review Panel	More detailed
	Upcoming trainings: Fair Hearings, Reassessment Process	information will be
		provided at the June 16 th MMCARP
	ARPA HCBS: LHCSA Directed Payment	meeting.
	LHCSA submissions were due January 18	
	Submitted attestations, spending plans and survey data under review	

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Status Report of Managed	LHCSAs with missing or incomplete submissions received outreach CMS provided DOLL with a cot of greating on the propriet, and DOLL returned the appropriate.	
Long Term Care (MLTC)	 CMS provided DOH with a set of questions on the preprint, and DOH returned the answers promptly CMS approval of the directed payment preprint is pending 	
Children's		
Waiver Utilization Data	April Hamilton (NYSDOH), reported the following: HCBS Monthly Enrollment Trend –Legacy vs. Current Waiver # of Members Enrolled & # of Members w/ Paid Claims; 01/2017 –9/2021	
	HCBS Enrolled Members & HCBS Enrolled Members with Claims: Legacy Waiver vs. Current Waiver Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Enrolled in HCBS Waiver Waiver Transition Claims Lag Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Transition Enrolled in B2H, DOH, OMH SED, or OPWDD Waivers Waiver Date of the Covic 19Public Health Emergency Claims Lag Waiver Transition Enrolled in HCBS Waiver Waiver Transition Enrolled in HCBS Wa	
	 ~30 to 40% of enrolled HCBS children have a claim in a month COVID-19 impacted utilization in 2020, but utilization appears to be returning to pre-COVID-19 levels. Some of the increase utilization may also be driven by increased enrollment trends. A slight decrease of utilization from the old waiver to the new waiver can be observed. Members may be having their needs meet through CFTSS in lieu of HCBS Note: The line chart represents enrollment counts. The area chart represents enrolled members with a claim counts. The data labels represent the percentage of enrolled member with a claim	
	Health Home (HH) Monthly Enrollment Trend –Legacy vs. Current Waiver # of Members Enrolled & # of Members w/ Paid Claims; 01/2017 –9/2021	



Children's Waiver Enrollment and Utilization Trends (total population) Children's Waiver Enrollment and Utilization Trends (total population) Motions Passed Sheila Nelson requested that utilization data be presented as Upstavs ROS.	Agenda Items	Discussion	Action Items
Key Takeaways The total number of members enrolled in the Children's Waiver is increasing The number of Children's Waiver enrollees with HCBS daims in a month is approximately 50% and increasing Most Children's Waiver enrollees have a Health Home claim in a month Additional Information Additional Information	Items Children's Waiver	Children's Waiver Enrollment and Utilization Trends (total population) 1000	Motions Passed Sheila Nelson requested that utilization data be presented as Upstate vs ROS. In addition, Amber Decker, requested that the utilization data (HCBS &CFTSS) be broken out by service. Both of these requests will be included in a presentation at the June 16th MMCARP

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Other/ Requests Not Related to Presentations	Before the public comment period, the panel members discussed additional presentation request for upcoming MMCARP meetings. All action items were passed in a motion at the end of the meeting.	Motion passed Fred Cohen requested a global cap update presentation.
		The Department will work to have this presented at a future meeting.
		Motion passed
		Elisabeth Benjamin requested a budget presentation.
		A budget presentation will be given during the June 16 th MMCARP meeting.
Public Comment	Public Comment 1 : John Navar, Pharmacist- asked if the 1115 Waiver would affect every provider of Medicaid service or will it be limited to certain providers?	
	Jonathan Bick responded that the concept paper gives a broad picture of funding. This is a systemic transformation, and I would imagine most Medicaid providers would be engaged in the regional projects.	
	Meeting adjourned at 12:47pm	

ACRONYMS & INITIALISMS

ADL	Activity of Daily Living
ADM	Administrative Directive Memorandum
ARPA	American Rescue Plan Act
BH	Behavioral Health
CBAA	Certified Behavior Analyst Assistant
CBLTC	Community Based Long Term Care
CBLTSS	Community Based Long Term Services and Supports
CBO	Community Based Organization
CDC	Centers for Disease Control
CDPAP	Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program
CDPAS	Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Services
CFCO	Community First Choice Option
CFEEC	Conflict-Free Evaluation and Enrollment Center
CFTSS	Children and Family Treatment and Support Services
CHA	Community Health Assessment
CHP	Child Health Plus
CMA	Care Management Agency
СМНА	Community Mental Health Assessment
DME	Durable Medical Equipment
DOH	Department of Health
DOL	Department of Labor
D-SNP	Dual Eligible Special Needs Plans
EP	Essential Plan
FAQ	Frequently Asked Questions
FFS	Fee for Service
FI	Fiscal Intermediary
FIDA	Fully Integrated Duals Advantage
FIDA-IDD	Fully Integrated Duals Advantage-Individuals with
	Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
FLSA	Fair Labor Standards Act
FY	Fiscal Year
HARP	Health and Recovery Plan
HCBS	Home and Community Based Services
HERO	Health Equity Regional Organization
HIV SNP	HIV Special Needs Plan
IADL	Instrumental Activity of Daily Living
IB-Dual	Integrated Benefits for Dually Eligible Enrollees

IPP	Independent Practitioner Panel
IRP	Independent Review Panel
JAC	Joint Advisory Council
LBA	Licensed Behavior Analyst
LDSS	Local Department of Social Services
LGU	Local Government Unit
LHCSA	Licensed Home Care Services Agencies
LTNHS	Long Term Nursing Home Stay
MCO	Managed Care Organization
MLTC	Managed Long Term Care
MMC	Medicaid Managed Care
MMCARP	Medicaid Managed Care Advisory Review Panel
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MRT	Medicaid Redesign Team
NHTD	Nursing Home Transition and Diversion Waiver
NYC	New York City
NYIA	New York Independent Assessor
NYSDOH	New York State Department of Health
OASAS	Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services
OHIP	Office of Health Insurance Programs
OMH	Office of Mental Health
OMIG	Office of Medicaid Inspector General
OTC	Over the Counter (Drug)
PACE	Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly
PCS	Personal Care Services (Medicaid State Plan)
PHIP	Population Health Improvement Program
PNDS	Provider Network Data System
POC	Plan of Care
PPS	Performing Provider System
RFP	Request for Proposals
ROS	Rest of State
RPC	Regional Planning Consortium
SBHC	School Based Health Center
SDHN	Social Determinants of Health Network
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
TBI	Traumatic Brain Injury
TCM	Targeted Case Management