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Redesign Team

# HARP/Behavioral Health Task Force Sub-team Meeting #1

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# Agenda

- Introductions and Meeting Objectives
- VBP Measure Set Development
- VBP Quality Measurement Survey

# Introductions

## **One person from each organization:**

- Please identify yourself and your team when called upon
- Describe your goals and/or expectations for the sub-team

# Objectives of VBP Feasibility Workgroup Sub-teams

## 1. Clarification of the Unit of Analysis

- VBP Contractor -> Practice Group -> Providers
- VBP Contractor may be the focus for payment, while the practice group or provider may be focus for improvement efforts

## 2. Data Collection Responsibilities

- Current state and new needs for VBP
- Impact or Gaps - Data flows, data availability, sources of data

## 3. Maximize Measure Efficiency

- Leverage internal systems, explore use of Qualified Entities (QEs), develop use cases for plans and contractors, avoid duplication of effort

## 4. Measure Development Process

- Responsibilities for prioritizing measures, measure specification development, field testing and validation

# VBP Measure Set Development: *Crawl, Walk, Run!*



<b>Status in VBP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Several measures require final specifications and/or clinical or other data elements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with measure stewards to develop and finalize specifications</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fully developed VBP measures included in Measurement Years 2018 and 2019</li> </ul>
<b>Data Availability and Sources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assess data availability</li> <li>• Identify and investigate potential data sources</li> <li>• Survey technological capabilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement new data and reporting flows</li> <li>• Develop additional data sources</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordination established with Qualified Entities (QEs) for clinical data integration</li> </ul>
<b>Data Collection and Infrastructure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gather requirements for data collection</li> <li>• Begin developing infrastructure to support new data sources</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiate testing and evaluation of data collection methodologies</li> <li>• Work closely with technology vendors</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data and reporting flows have been established</li> <li>• New data source infrastructure established</li> </ul>

*Note: Timelines will vary. The intent is to make substantive contributions within each phase to help realize NYS VBP Roadmap goals.*

# Behavioral Health Measures Included in TCGP, IPC and HARP Arrangements

- Behavioral Health (BH) measures exist in both the Total Care for General Population (TCGP)/Integrated Primary Care (IPC) Measure Set and the Health and Recovery Plan (HARP) Measure Set.
- The TCGP/IPC Measure set is intended to assess the the physical and behavioral health of the primary care seeking population.
  - The IPC Arrangement has 4 BH Episodes: Depression & Anxiety, Trauma & Stressor, Substance Use Disorder, and Bipolar Disorder
  - Measure Set includes BH measures to support the 4 episodes along with the other physical health measures **specified for the general patient population.**
- The HARP Measure Set includes BH measures as well as measures that are used to more generally assess physical health **specified for the HARP population.**
  - Substantial overlap in measures exists between measures in the HARP and TCGP/IPC Measure Sets.
  - In certain cases, there are differences in categorization (Cat 1 vs. Cat 2) and payment classification [Pay for Reporting (P4R) vs. Pay for Performance (P4P)] of overlapping measures.

# Measure Development

- Several Behavioral Health and HARP measures require development.
- Steps in the process include:
  - Creation of measure concept and draft technical specifications
    - Review of spec with edits
    - Updated based on edits and finalized
  - Post measure for 30-day public comment period
  - Test Technical Specifications
  - Review Results/Feedback
  - Finalize Specifications
  - Data Validation
- Pilots and the Measure Feasibility Task Force sub-team will assist with development.

# Status of Measure Development

Measure	Status
Adherence to Mood Stabilizers for Individuals with Bipolar I Disorder	Measure to be updated for Medicaid
Continuing Engagement in Treatment (CET) Alcohol and other Drug Dependence	Measure concepts and draft technical specifications under development
Continuity of Care (CoC) within 14 Days of Discharge from any Level of SUD Inpatient Care	
Initiation of Pharmacotherapy for Alcohol Dependence	
Initiation of Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Use Disorder	
Percentage of Mental Health Discharges Followed by Two or More Mental Health Outpatient Visits within 30 Days	
Utilization of Pharmacotherapy for Alcohol Dependence	
Utilization of Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Use Disorder	



# Status of Measure Development (cont.)

Measure	Status
Percentage of Members Who Receive PROS or HCBS for at Least 3 Months in Reporting Year	State initiated analysis of measures. Researching use of UAS data for measure calculation.
Percentage of Members Who Maintained/Obtained Employment or Maintained/Improved Higher Education Status	
Percentage of Members with Maintenance of Stable or Improved Housing Status	
Percentage of Members with Reduced Criminal Justice Involvement	

## VBP Quality Measurement Survey

- The New York State Department of Health is interested in obtaining information from the Pilots in the following categories to help inform the current and future timeline for Value Based Payment (VBP) clinical quality measures:
  1. *Data Collection*
  2. *Unit of Analysis*
  3. *Measure Efficiency*
  4. *Measure Development Process*
- A survey was distributed to all Pilots and other Task Force sub-teams on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- This sub-team is also being asked to fill out the survey and return it by July 14th.
  - **Please be aware that the survey may have been distributed to your organization through another sub-team. Only one survey per organization is required.**
- Responses will inform Task Force sub-team discussions and activities.

## Next Steps

- Upcoming meetings:
  - *Meeting #2*: 7/26 from 9:00 – 10:00
  - *Meeting #3*: 8/21 from 3:00 – 4:00
  - *Meeting #4*: 9/28 from 9:00 – 10:00
  - *Meeting #5*: 10/25 from 3:00 – 4:00
  - Task Force Reconvene Meeting #2: 8/4 from 1:00 – 2:00
- Additional materials and meeting information will be sent out in the coming weeks.