

CNY REGIONAL PLANNING CONSORTIUM: VALUE BASED PAYMENTS NEWSLETTER

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A REGIONAL PLANNING CONSORTIUM OVERVIEW:

As each region will experience unique challenges and opportunities as the behavioral health transition to managed care occurs, they will require in person dialogue and collaboration to resolve.

A **Regional Planning Consortium (RPC)** is a regional board populated with community-based providers, peers/family/youth, county mental health directors, regional healthcare entities and managed care companies from each region.

The Purpose of the RPC is to work closely with State agencies to guide behavioral health policy in the region, problem solve regional service delivery challenges, and recommend priorities for reinvestment of Medicaid savings.

WHAT ARE VALUE BASED PAYMENTS?

“Value-based programs reward health care providers with incentive payments for the quality of care they give to people with Medicare. These programs are part of our larger quality strategy to reform how health care is delivered and paid for. Value-based programs also support our three-part aim: better care for individuals, better health for populations, and lower cost”

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/Value-Based-Programs/Value-Based-Programs.html>

PURPOSE OF THE RPC VALUE BASED PAYMENT GROUP/NEWSLETTER:

The Value Based Payment Workgroup was formed back in 2017 to provide an information sharing platform for the region on State updates. Since then, the group has been repurposed to a bi-monthly newsletter. The purpose of the newsletter is to provide updates from the Behavioral Health Care Collaborative Leads (BHCCs), from OMH and CNY Care Collaborative on upcoming trainings. Any Value Based Payment questions will be answered here. Contact Katie Molanare, RPC Coordinator with any questions.

WHO ARE THE BHCC LEADS?

“The New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) and the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) jointly announce awards for the NYS Behavioral Health Value Based Payment (BH VBP) Readiness Program. The funds have been awarded to selected networks of behavioral healthcare providers, called Behavioral Health Care Collaboratives (BHCCs).

The BHCCs will use the awards to help prepare behavioral health providers to engage in Value Based Payment arrangements, a financial incentive framework that rewards healthcare providers for improved quality, outcomes, and costs. A main goal is to improve the integration of physical and behavioral health.”

<https://www.omh.ny.gov/omhweb/bho/bh-vbp.html>

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Want to Submit a VBP Question? Contact:

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For more information on the RPCs and past VBP Newsletters, check out the Conference of Local Mental Hygiene Directors website

<http://clmhd.org/rpc/>

WHO ARE THE BHCC LEADS IN CNY?

There are three BHCC Leads that cover the 6 county region. These providers are; Helio Health, The Neighborhood Center, and Family Counseling Services of Cortland County. If you are interested to see the other leads in the State below is a link with the providers and their network/affiliate providers.

https://www.omh.ny.gov/omhweb/bho/bhcc_lead_and_network.pdf

BHCC UPDATES:

○ **Helio Health:** “The CNY BHCC is continuing to work to finalize steps for IPA implementation. We began the process of purchasing the PSYCKES BHCC Access View that will allow us to create a baseline for our network and work on data and quality improvement efforts. We continue to work to engage partners and work with the state wide groups to ensure this initiative is successful. We recently had an all partners meeting and are taking steps to develop some of the tools and resources that were identified by partners. Our website will be launching next month!”

○ **The Neighborhood Center:** The MVBHCC is working with our legal representation to file the appropriate paperwork to form our IPA. Since our last update, we have selected our Board of Directors and Officers, and are working on formalizing our governance structure and bylaws. We have contracted with CCSI to establish network performance dashboards based on PSYCKES data and are close to having that data available to us. In addition to formation work at the network level, we are engaged in the state-wide BHCC collaborative that is advocating for BHCCs at the state level.

- **Family Counseling Services of Cortland County:** Updates are listed below:
 - Established Committees and Full Board
 - Formation of the IPA Structure
 - Articles of Organization for the South Central Behavioral Health Care Collaborative, LLC were filed
 - A draft of the Operating Agreements
 - Funds flow Structure
 - Draft Universal BHCC Consent Form
 - Exploring opportunities to solicit consumer input
 - Developing materials to support training and information sessions
 - McSilver Institute at NYU completed a network assessment
 - Health Management Associates (HMA) consultants will assess network for VBP readiness
 - HMA consultants are working with HIT Committee to develop the RFP for the data sharing platform
 - Contract with Care Coordinated Service Inc. for their dashboard software based on PSYCKES data
 - VBP Projects
 - Molina and Excellus
 - Cohort Project with CCN

OMH TRAININGS:

Behavioral Health Payer Provider Value Based Forum: Join MCTAC and the National Council for Behavioral Health for an exciting day long learning opportunity to engage with payors (MCOs, PPSs, ACOs, and hospitals) and better understand their goals and objectives for behavioral health providers in a Value Based Payment environment. During this workshop, providers learn about opportunities for utilizing data and analytics will engage directly with payors on their perspectives for operationalizing value in contracts and business arrangements, and work closely with payors and other subject matter experts in the development of a sample Value Proposition pitch. Register using the link below:

<https://registration.nytac.org/event/?pid=1&id=704>

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WHAT IS THE CNY CARE COLLABORATIVE (CNYCC)?

“The Central New York Care Collaborative (CNY Cares) is a partnership that connects more than 2,000 healthcare and community based service providers in six counties across Central New York -- Cayuga, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga and Oswego. The primary goal of the collaborative is to serve the population by improving the coordination of healthcare services, enhancing the quality of performance outcomes, and creating an overall better system of care for patients”

<https://cnycare.org/what-is-the-cnycc/>

CNY CARE COLLABORATIVE (CNYCC) UPDATE/TRAININGS:

The CNY Care Collaborative (CNYCC) Focus On Value Based Payment Webinar Series continues with a program geared towards helping Community Based Organization (CBOs) prepare for engagement with the healthcare system in a value-based environment. This program is available only to CNYCC's partner organizations. This program consists of 5 webinars aim at helping CBOs quantify their value in the new value-based environment. The program will also provide tools and techniques to help CBOs to measure impact and demonstrate outcome on patient care.

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