

HMS BACKGROUND

- Leading healthcare cost containment firm serving 40 Medicaid agencies.
 - 23 years serving Medicaid community, staff of 750 across 23 office nationwide, with strong Medicaid policy and operational experience.
- Have been a contractor to VA DMAS since 1987
- Worked with various providers in Virginia since 1994
- Detailed understanding of First Health MMIS data

REVIEW OF DMAS PROGRAM GOALS

- Ensure that Virginia Medicaid Individuals receive:
 - appropriate behavioral and community mental health services
 - in the appropriate setting
- Ensure that services receive by Virginia Medicaid individuals are performed in accordance with:
 - Federal and state guidelines
 - Guidelines set forth in the Medicaid Manual

RFP BACKGROUND

VA DMAS has contracted with HMS to review eight behavioral & community mental health service levels:

- ✓ Crisis Intervention
- ✓ Crisis Stabilization
- ✓ Intensive In-Home Services
- ✓ Intensive Community Treatment
- ✓ Mental Health Case Management
- ✓ Mental Health Skills Building
- ✓ Therapeutic Day Treatment
- ✓ Psychosocial Rehabilitation

Ensure Medicaid dollars used toward provision of appropriate services to this population
Assist DMAS to identify providers who may benefit from additional provider training.

REVIEW OBJECTIVES

- Reviews performed within established DMAS guidelines.
 - “Mimic” existing DMAS review process procedures, as much as possible
- Notify the provider and DMAS if review findings identify overpayments that require recovery efforts by DMAS.
- Report review findings to facilitate provider education/training
 - Provider education to change behavior and avoid errors going forward
 - Review of specific provider errors
 - Corrective action plan, if warranted

Overview of HMS Review Process

Provider Outreach

- Provider Letter
- Provider Survey
- Conference Calls (when indicated)
- Contact Information

Data Analysis/Data Mining

- Service/Provider Metrics
- Billing Error Targets
- Abuse Indicators
- Outlier Patterns
- Survey Results
- COB Issues

Conduct Reviews

- Notification of Review
- On-site Review
- Clinical Review
- Determination of Overpayments
- Review Report
- Notification of Preliminary Findings

Appeals and Recovery

- Overpayment Letter
- Appeal Process
- Recovery Process

Process Improvement

- Review Reports
- Trend Analysis
- Provider Education
- Program Recommendations

PROVIDER OUTREACH

Provider Survey

- *Survey Goals/Objectives:*
 - To allow DMAS and Review Team to better understand the providers who provide these services to the Medicaid population
 - To provide a mechanism to allow providers to submit feedback about upcoming reviews, concerns.

- *Provider's Rule:*
 - Fill/return out brief, easy-to-fill out survey
 - Participation encouraged

- *Content of Survey:*
 - Demographic questions
 - Open ended questions intended to solicit provider feedback, review preferences.

DATA ANALYSIS/ DATA MINING

- *Service/Provider Metrics*
 - Billing per patient
 - Patients per provider

- *Outlier Utilization*
 - Units/month vs. peers
 - Patients/month vs. peers
 - Units/patients/month vs. peers

- *Billing Patterns*
 - Excess unit claims
 - Billing for dates of service in facility/deceased
 - Medicare COB opportunities
 - Referral targeting

SELECTION OF PROVIDERS FOR REVIEW

- Any licensed participating provider enrolled with Virginia Medicaid may be reviewed for any of the eight service levels:
 - ✓ Crisis Intervention
 - ✓ Crisis Stabilization
 - ✓ Intensive In-Home Services
 - ✓ Intensive Community Treatment
 - ✓ Mental Health Case Management
 - ✓ Mental Health Skills Building
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- Total of at least 70 providers selected for review from January 2016 – December 2016.

SELECTION OF CASES/CLAIMS FOR REVIEW

- Targeted review of claims for period DOS SFY 2013 & 2014 (for providers selected)
 - Review 30-50% of Medicaid claims within the respective service levels

CONDUCTING REVIEWS

- Provider Notification for Desk Reviews
 - Certified mail to specific individual
 - Letter will request specific individual and claim information
 - Specific return instructions provided
 - Provider is responsible for submitting requested documentation within 14 business days of individual of the medical record request

- Provider Notification for Onsite Reviews
 - Certified mail to specific individual
 - Review will occur no sooner than 14 business days from date of letter
 - List of individuals/claims selected for review available when team arrives on-site

- Process entails review of following documentation:
 - Provider credentials and licensure
 - Medical necessity
 - Progress notes
 - Services Rendered
 - Actual time spent with patient
 - Staff Qualification

- Review process is driven by Review Protocols/Error Matrix defined for each service level:
 - Consistent audit approach
 - Standardized data-gathering approach
 - Review Team approach