

Meeting Minutes
Provider Rate Methodology Workgroup #2 Review
Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health

October 11th, 2023

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM (Central Time)

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions

Rich Kim with Guidehouse (GH) welcomed attendees to the meeting and presented the agenda for the meeting. GH project staff gave brief introductions and introduced their role on the project. SD workgroup gave brief introductions and identified which facilities they associate with.

2. Communication Goals and Objectives

Guidehouse discussed the intention of their communication goals and objectives – to remain transparent and independently consider perspectives throughout the rate methodology study process.

3. Roles, Collaborative Needs and Expectations

Guidehouse gave an overview of the importance of communication between providers and Guidehouse throughout the workgroups.

4. Purpose of Rate Study

Guidehouse discussed the importance of maintaining engagement and transparency throughout the process.

Guidehouse identified key deliverables such as peer state comparisons, rate models, fiscal impact, and final report.

5. Status Survey

Guidehouse identified the percentage of providers who submitted a survey as of 10/6/23 (due date of the survey).

Terry Dosch requested Guidehouse send the list of providers who did not submit a survey.

DSS requested that Guidehouse send the list to them first and they will identify council and non-council members.

6. Overview of Provided Services

Guidehouse gave an overview of the list of MH and SUD services that were included in the survey.

7. Guidehouse Approach to Rate Building Across Programs/Survey

- a. Guidehouse presented their approach to rate-building - discussing assumptions, considerations, and recognition are included in the process.

8. Rate Build-Up Overview

- a. Guidehouse presented the components of direct care costs, indirect costs, and considerations for other adjustments such as staff mileage for providing services.
- b. Thomas Stange provided feedback on the survey.
- c. Amy Iversen provided additional feedback on the survey.
 - i. Coy Jones with Guidehouse answered Amy's questions.

9. Top Location of Medicaid Service Utilization in CY 22/23

- a. Guidehouse discussed the top locations of Medicaid Services:
 - i. Office
 - ii. Home
 - iii. Residential SUD Treatment Facility

10. Top Procedure Codes Utilized

- a. Guidehouse presented the top utilized procedure codes based on MMIS data.

11. Peer State Review

a. Peer States

- i. Guidehouse presented the peer states, and how the states were selected.

b. Peer State Evaluated services.

- i. Guidehouse identified nuances in evaluating MH and SUD services and explained how we tried to level set the services between peer states.

c. Average SFY 2023 Units of Service

- i. Guidehouse presented the average units billed per claim for the following codes:
 1. 90791
 2. 90832

3. 90853
4. 90846
5. 90847

d. Peer State Benchmarked Procedure Codes

- i. Coy Jones with Guidehouse explained RBRVS methodology and why it was incorporated in our peer state graphs.
- ii. Guidehouse acknowledged many states with CMHCs peg their rates to the RBRVS.
- iii. Guidehouse discussed the South Dakota and peer state rates and identified how each rate was level set with the peer state (i.e., session, 30 mins, 60 mins, etc.)

12. Peer State Substance Abuse Rates

a. ASAM Levels of Care

- i. Guidehouse presented the ASAM levels of care and how they are nuanced across states.
- ii. Guidehouse discussed important considerations when evaluating rate development for specific ASAM levels of care such as:
 1. Setting
 2. Time consideration
 3. Provider types
 4. Treatment goal/therapies

b. Peer State Benchmarked Procedure Codes

- i. Guidehouse presented the South Dakota SUD and peer state rates and discussed how they compare between each other.
- ii. Guidehouse identified the nuances between state SUD rates and how they can create difficulty in comparing services.
- iii. Tiffany Wolfgang noted that the \$251.80 for code H0019 does not account for the separately billed \$51.21 for room and board inpatient.

13. BLS Wages

a. Wage Adjustment Factors

- i. Guidehouse discussed how we use FTE weighting, BLS data, and to adjust wages for benchmarking.

- ii. Thomas Stanage expressed concern for capturing wages employees who hold various jobs within the organization.

14. Next Steps

- a. Guidehouse presented next steps for the survey and provider meetings.
- b. The next meeting will be **October 25th, 2023**.
- c. Terry Dosch requested the PowerPoint deck for the next workgroup to be sent out ahead of time.

15. Adjournment @ 5:07 PM (Central Time)

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