

MINUTES

Substance Use Disorder Services Financial Workgroup

July 11, 2018
1-3 pm
Ramkota Hotel
Pierre, SD

In Attendance

Tiffany Wolfgang , Melanie Boetel, Greg Evans , Brendan Smith, Brenda Tidball-Zeltinger, Amy Iversen-Pollreisz, Laurie Mikkonen, Laura Schaeffer, Amy Hartman, Gary Tuschen, Michelle Carpenter, Michelle Spies, Stacia Nissen, Susan Sandgren, Terry Dosch

Welcome and Introductions

- Amy Iversen-Pollreisz welcomed the group and thanked them for their participation.

Review and finalize minutes from April 25th meeting

- Laurie Mikkonen made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Terry Dosch moved to approve and Michelle Carpenter seconded the motion, minutes were approved.

Review survey results, model methodology and provider information

- DSS staff reviewed the survey information received on outpatient treatment services. Survey information was sent to all contracted substance use disorder providers with all reporting back information. The reported information was used to develop the rate model. The resulting preliminary modeled rate was slightly lower than the rate currently paid. Due to differences between the cost reports, personnel data, and survey information submitted by agencies, there was discussion about what other type of information may be needed or verified to support the rate model. The workgroup acknowledged that some modeled rates may be higher or lower than current rates. Consensus was the rate methodology was sound, but the data/information received needed further review by agencies to ensure all information is being accurately reported before finalizing. The workgroup members

are going to review the information submitted in the survey for any potential updates based on the discussion. It will be important to reconcile these differences if the individual and group counseling rate will be used as the basis moving forward in other models for levels of care such as low intensity, etc.

- **Follow-up needed:**

- By 7/18/18, DSS staff will send the workgroup members their cost report snapshot so the work group members can logic check against all other costs to ensure all items are being accounted for in the model.
- By 8/1/18, work group members will report back to Greg Evans and Brendan Smith feedback on cost report snapshot as well as reviewing the billable time, non-direct personnel services costs, and any other missing information from original survey and cost report information.

Next Steps- Outpatient and Low- Intensity Residential Review

- Laurie Mikkonen asked the workgroup about the type of information that would need to be collected/surveyed on the next level of care being reviewed, 3.1 Low-Intensity Residential Treatment services. There was initial discussion about looking at how to break out the residential (room/board) costs from the direct treatment costs as well as identifying “other” costs low-intensity service providers incur as part of the service.
- **Next Steps:**
 - By 7/25/18, DSS will send the work group members a draft survey for low-intensity services.
 - By 8/1/18, work group members will provide feedback on the survey to Greg Evans and Brendan Smith.

Public Comment

Laurie Mikkonen asked for any public comment, being none the meeting was adjourned.