

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
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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: “CNY BHCC, soon to be Omnes IPA, has elected officers for its Board of Managers. Jeremy Klemanski (Helio Health) will serve as President to the Board and Tania Anderson (Inclusive Alliance IPA) will serve as Secretary to the Board. The BHCC has hired two Project Directors, Athena Mandros and Jessica Gwin. Athena and Jessica are working with small cohorts of providers, along with CCSI, to implement projects that will work to improve performance metrics and create best practices that can be implemented by the network as a whole. Project Directors are working with BHCC Sub-committees on various initiatives that have been identified as areas of interest by our network, Some of these areas include bringing evidence based practices into our network, telehealth,

recruitment and retention of peers, and the use of PSYCKES in your organization. The CNY BHCC continues to explore ways of collaborating with other entities and networks in order to meet the behavioral health needs of our region.”

The Neighborhood Center: See below updates

- Our IPA has been officially filed and we continue to work on the Member Agreement, the contractual agreement between the IPA and its members.
- Our Clinical Integration Committee is developing a pilot that will focus on improving performance on the 7 and 30 day follow up measure for individuals who use the ED for substance-related issues.
- Our data work continues to focus on RHIO and PSYCKES use an ensuring that partners have access and are using systems available to them.
- We are also working on our plan for the no-cost extension (through March 2022)

Family Counseling Services of Cortland County: No update was provided.

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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://cnycares.org/what-is-the-cnycc/>

CNY CARE COLLABORATIVE (CNYCC) TRAININGS, OMH TRAININGS, DOH TRAININGS:

- No trainings at this time.