



Tribal-Centric Mental Health System Work Plan

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To develop an integrated Medical and Behavioral health system to address the needs of Medicaid eligible clients for Rehabilitative Services.

- Create an integrated, cohesive system of care
- Address Health Equity Issues
- Reduce the drain of administrative resources to obtain services
- Improve clinical care for all clients

Provider Network

- Identify existing tribal provider agencies
- Expand tribal provider capacity
- Resolve agency accreditation questions for existing tribal providers
- Explore potential of existing CMHAs becoming part of provider network for urban consumers
- Develop contract template for existing CMHAs
- Identify eligible practitioners and rate structure
- Determine cultural competency requirements for CMHA practitioners
- Establish access/timeframe rules
- Grievance procedure and Ombuds
- Resolve practitioner questions

Outpatient Rehab Services

- Review modalities/services
- Review medical necessity implications
- Develop fee structure for tribal facilities and CMHAs
- Develop authorization process/levels of care
- Explore concept of benefit packages
- Review bundled services and determine whether or not to maintain bundling
- Explore possibility of preventive services

Crisis and ITA Services

- Determine scope of services
- Address provider network and geographical coverage
- Address response parameters and timelines
- Explore designating tribal DMHPs
- Explore courts and jurisdiction
- Explore change of venue
- Address funding for courts
- Develop written procedures and guidelines
- Train on DMHP Protocols

Voluntary and Involuntary Inpatient

- Develop inpatient provider network
- Explore transport to inpatient facilities for both voluntary and involuntary patients
- Review/develop authorization process for voluntary inpatient: include extensions and re-auths
- Develop discharge planning
- Review role of hospital liaisons
- Agreeing to location for hearings for involuntaries
- Explore possibility of regional tribal E&Ts
- Discuss state hospitals and bed allocations

Utilization Management & Physical Health Integration

- Identify eligibles
- Opt-in and Opt-out process
- Determine data set for service utilization data and reviewing trends
- Explore access tools such as LOCUS and CALOCUS
- Explore UM oversight of network
- Explore QA process/potential
- Identify expectations for integrating behavioral and physical health services
- Identify resources for integration