



Tribal-Centric Mental Health System

Near-Term Tasks

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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 re-sources to obtain

DBHR Liaison for Tribal RSN Access Issues

Complete by xxxxx

- DBHR identify toll free number
- DBHR modify phone menu
- DBHR distribute phone number to Tribal MH providers
- DBHR respond to Tribal Phone requests

Access to Timely Crisis Services

Complete by xxxx

- Review existing RSN contract terms regarding crisis services
- Develop alternative terms as needed to ensure Tribal access to crisis services
- Identify options for Tribal MH providers to deliver own crisis services
- Develop real-time procedure for notifying RSN of crisis access issues

Tribal Designated Mental Health Professionals

Complete by xxxxx

- Identify issues and develop strategies for having Tribal DMHPs
- Explore option of RSN provider hiring/contracting with Tribal DMHP
- Explore designating tribal DMHPs
- Determine oversight of tribal DMHPs
- Identify steps in developing standing for ITA with Tribal courts

Involuntary Treatment Act and Tribal Court Jurisdiction

Complete by xxxxx

- Identify desired outcomes with Tribal Court jurisdiction of Tribal ITAs
- Identify steps in developing standing for ITA with Tribal Courts
- Determine if statutory change required to implement jurisdiction

Voluntary Inpatient Psych Hospitalization and Appeals

Complete by xxxxxxx

- Review Medicaid voluntary hospitalization process
- Review medical necessity definition
- Review LOCUS as possible tool for determining inpatient medical necessity
- Discuss and review length of stay issues with inpatient providers
- Develop document describing process and client rights

Inpatient Psych Hospital and E&T Discharge Planning

Complete by xxxxxx

- Identify issues and concerns of Tribal providers
- Develop ideal procedures for discharge planning
- Determine if amending RSN contracts would provide additional leverage
- Explore possibility of meeting with Hospital Association