

On the Horizon

NYS DOH Revises Performance Attribution

On March 27, 2015, the NYS Department of Health announced that it revised BPHC’s performance attribution to 356,863. This figure includes roughly 70,000 Medicaid beneficiaries who rarely or never use available services.

BPHC, like all PPSs, will be expected to improve health outcomes by providing appropriate and accessible care to the entire community. As we implement our DSRIP projects, BPHC will need to develop and apply creative strategies to successfully engage all members of our community, including those who are disengaged from or overlooked by the health care system.

Population Health Work Groups Discuss Domain 4 Projects

Since last October, we have been involved in two Work Groups specifically dedicated to our Domain 4 projects. Domain 4 projects use preventive approaches to address city-wide population health issues. Many of New York City’s PPSs work together to identify common health issues, plan prevention programs, and implement these programs in their respective communities.

Population Health Work Groups most recently convened in March to discuss risk and mitigation strategies, areas for collaboration, and metrics for their respective projects. They will continue to meet on a monthly basis.

Close-Ups on BPHC’s Two Domain 4 Projects

Our project aimed at increasing early access to and retention in HIV care will employ a number of preventive strategies. These include refining screening and linkage protocols; deploying peer navigators and care coordinators; partnering with community based-organizations; and improving cultural competency. Seven PPSs participate in this project’s Work Group: BPHC, OneCity Health (HHC), Bronx Lebanon, Brooklyn Bridges, Community Care Brooklyn, Mount Sinai, and New York Hospital Queens.

Our project designed to strengthen mental health and substance abuse (MHSA) infrastructure targets adolescents and young adults ages 12-25, specifically in the NYC school system. This project involves training school staff to identify and help students with MHSA needs and strengthening linkages between schools and outside MHSA service providers. Four PPSs participate in this project’s Work Group: BPHC, Bronx Health Access, OneCity Health, and Community Care of Brooklyn.

Executive Committee to Convene First Meeting

On April 23rd, our Executive Committee will meet for the first time. The Executive Committee is BPHC’s primary decision-making body, replacing the Steering Committee that guided the PPS through the application process. The Executive Committee will oversee overall DSRIP implementation, including project goals and metrics, financial management, and the Finance and Sustainability, Quality & Care Innovation, Information Technology, and Workforce Subcommittees.

Members of the Executive Committee are leaders in their organizations and in their respective fields, representing the wide variety of organizations in our PPS. The Executive Committee includes 10 original Steering Committee members and five new Members: Eric Appelbaum, MD from SBH; Amanda Parsons, MD from Montefiore; Pat Wang from Health First; Eileen Torres from Bronx Works; and Charles Scaglione from Bronx RHIO.

In Case You Missed It

BPHC Announces Survey and Transitional Work Groups

We recently described a survey which will reach the entire PPS by April 15th, and we profiled our Transitional Work Groups (TWG’s). To learn more about either of these topics, download our last bulletin.

Upcoming Events

- April 15th**
Surveys Distributed to Entire PPS
- April 23rd**
Executive Committee Meeting (11AM-1PM)

(UPDATE) May 1st
Implementation Plan Due. The NYS DOH has extended this deadline for all PPS’s

Resources

- **Our Previous Bulletin**
(3/11/15)

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