



AGING & INDEPENDENCE SERVICES

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO • HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

LONG TERM CARE INTEGRATION PROJECT

Aging & Independence Services (AIS) San Diego Long Term Care Integration Project (LTCIP) Update for the Health Services Advisory Board (HSAB) October 2013

The goal of the Long Term Care Integration Project (LTCIP) is to improve service delivery for older adults and persons with disabilities. To achieve this goal, three incremental strategies were established: (1) The Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) (2) TEAM SAN DIEGO and (3) An Integrated Acute and Long Term Care Service Delivery Model (Coordinated Care Initiative which includes Cal MediConnect).

Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC)

The Community-based Care Transitions Program (CCTP)

The Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Aging & Independence Services (AIS) entered into a Program Agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to implement the Community-based Care Transitions Program (CCTP) in partnership with Palomar Health, Scripps Health, Sharp HealthCare, and the University of California San Diego (UCSD) Health System. CCTP is funded under Section 3026 of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and will target up to 21,390, fee-for-service Medicare patients each year in 13 hospitals. The term of the two-year Program Agreement is from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015. This agreement can be extended if performance targets set by CMS are met.

Since CCTP began on January 22, 2013, AIS invoiced CMS for 4,522 fee-for-service Medicare patients who received one or more interventions through September 30, 2013 to reduce their risk for a readmission. Enrollment continues to climb, and all partners are focused on enrolling more patients into CCTP. As of September 30, 2013, AIS enrolled 564 UCSD Health System and Palomar Health patients into the Care Transitions Intervention (CTI) Program and 405 patients into the CTI Care Enhancement Program. Through CCTP, patients who are at risk for a readmission are given the tools and support that they need to better manage their health.

CCTP is reducing the readmission rate for Medicare patients who receive patient-centered care transition services. The readmission rate for patients who completed CCTP through August 31, 2013 was 10.7% compared to the 18.6% baseline readmission rate for Medicare patients with similar risk factors across the partnering hospitals.

CMS is hosting a CCTP Learning Session in Baltimore on November 6th and 7th and representatives from all partnering health systems, HHSA and AIS will be in attendance. This forum will provide an opportunity for the San Diego CCTP Team to learn best practices from other programs across the country.

TEAM SAN DIEGO

No updates at this time.

Demonstration to Integrate Care for Dual Eligible Individuals

On April 14, 2012, San Diego County was selected as one of eight counties in California to implement California's Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI), an improved delivery system that will provide coordinated health care and long term services and supports (LTSS) to seniors and people with disabilities in the county who are dually eligible for both Medicare and Medi-Cal benefits. CCI consists of two parts: (1) the mandatory enrollment of Medi-Cal beneficiaries into Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) for their health coverage and access to long term services and supports (LTSS) including Community-Based Adult Services (CBAS), nursing home care, and County operated programs, In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS), services provided by the IHSS Public

Authority, and the Multi-purpose Senior Services Case Management Program (MSSP); and (2) Cal MediConnect, a three-year demonstration that will provide coverage for all medical and behavioral health services (including Medicare Parts A, B, C and D) and access to all State Plan benefits and services covered by Medi-Cal for San Diego's dual eligible beneficiaries. CCI is scheduled to begin no sooner than April 1, 2014. Some LTSS including MSSP will not begin any sooner than July 1, 2014.

As authorized by the Board of Supervisors, MOUs between the County and the MCOs for IHSS and Public Authority have been executed, and a contract between the MCOs and the County for MSSP is near completion and is expected to be executed within the next month. AIS staff meet monthly with the MCOs to ensure the successful implementation of County services in CCI. Together AIS and the MCOs will establish policies and procedures for IHSS, Public Authority and MSSP.

The CCI Advisory Committee held its monthly meeting on October 2nd and the CCI Communication Workgroup met on September 25th. CCI Advisory Committee meeting agendas and notes are posted on the LTCIP website at www.sdltcip.org. The CCI Communication Workgroup continues to focus on crafting an outreach and education strategy to ensure that outreach to impacted individuals is done in a comprehensive consumer-centered fashion, utilizing communication channels already in place within our county. To support outreach and education efforts, Jaime Mulligan, the lead consultant for the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) supporting stakeholder engagement around the policy design and implementation for California's dual demonstration, provided a presentation on CCI at the September 30th LTCIP Stakeholder meeting. Approximately 75 consumers and providers attended the meeting. Ms. Mulligan's presentation and the video recording of the meeting will be posted on the LTCIP website in the coming weeks. Jane Ogle, DHCS Deputy Director, will be one of the keynote speakers at the November 19th Achieving Person-Centered Care in San Diego and Imperial Counties Event at the Scottish Rite Center. Deputy Director Ogle will present on the local impact of CCI. Registration is now open. This event is expected to draw over 500 attendees.

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