

April 3, 2020

2:00-3:00 p.m. CST

1. General Anchor Communication

- Thanks for your continued work!
- We hope that you and all the frontline providers are remaining healthy and safe.

2. DSRIP Implementation

COVID-19 Updates

- HHSC sent notification regarding DY9R1 Reporting flexibilities on 4/1/20. The April DY9 Reporting Companion has information on the Provisional Approval Template for providers who are unable to report as required in April. Providers are encouraged to report as normally required if they are able to do so.
- Similar to April reporting flexibilities, in response to COVID-19 impacts, the DSRIP team is looking into flexibilities in CY 2020 measurements. We will keep you informed as we get approvals. Thank you for sharing examples of the challenges for measurements you are experiencing (i.e., reductions in preventive care, increases in telemedicine, changes in payor mix, etc.)
- Regarding the FMAP increase by 6.2% to 67.09% as allowed under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, HHSC will release notifications broadly once we have determined to which payments the increased FMAP will apply and how HHSC will proceed.

DY9 Round 1 (April) Reporting

- The IGT Entity Change Form for DY9 April reporting has been updated under the “Other 1115 Medicaid Waiver Forms” section of the Bulletin Board. Providers should use this updated form to submit changes as previous versions of the form will not be accepted.
- The following DY9R1 resources are currently posted on the bulletin board:
 - Reporting Companion document
 - System User Guide
 - Provisional Approval Template
 - Category C Reporting Template
 - Category C E2-A01 DY8 Carryforward Template
 - Category D Reporting Template
 - Data that providers use for the reporting under Category D: regional summaries for LHDs, quality measures for CMHCs. Please note that data for Physician Practices will be coming soon.
 - EQRO Reports Summaries
 - PPE Report Summary
- Reporting Timeline
 - **April 6, 2020** – DY9R1 Reporting Webinar from 10 am to 12 pm. To register, go to <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6925835143326532875>.
 - **April 24, 2020** – Final date to submit questions regarding Category C April reporting and inform HHSC of any issues with DY9 data in the Category C Reporting Template or the DSRIP Online Reporting System.

- **April 28, 2020** – Final date to submit questions regarding Category A, Category B, and Category D April reporting and inform HHSC of any issues with DY9 data in the DSRIP Online Reporting System.
- **April 30, 2020, 11:59 pm** – Due date for providers to submit April DY9 DSRIP reporting using the DSRIP Online Reporting System.
- **June 13, 2020** – HHSC and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will complete their review and approval of April DY9 reporting or request additional information

Category A: Costs and Savings

- A document highlighting common issues identified during Costs and Savings reviews and their resolutions has been posted to the DSRIP Online System Bulletin Board. This document has been created to prepare providers for questions surrounding their analysis.
- HHSC is still working toward completing the Costs and Savings technical assistance and revision process around April-May 2020. All providers that submitted a Costs and Savings analysis will receive an email from HHSC with any follow-up questions or an email indicating that HHSC has no follow-up questions at this time. HHSC began sending out these emails in late February/early March.
- Providers will be given 5 days to respond to any initial questions regarding provider's Costs and Savings analyses and a reasonable amount of time to respond to any subsequent questions. HHSC staff reviewing the Costs and Savings analyses will continue emailing providers with initial and any subsequent questions and/or requests for conference calls, including providing deadlines for provider's responses. However, providers may request additional time to respond to HHSC's feedback by replying to HHSC's email.

Anchor Admin Cost Claiming

- The anchor administrative cost template and the percent-of-effort template have been updated for DY9-11 and are available [online](#) under the Anchor Administrative Cost Claiming header and on the DSRIP Online Reporting System Bulletin Board under the Other 1115 Medicaid Waiver Forms header. Anchors should use these updated templates when submitting cost claiming due May 15, 2020.

Compliance Monitoring Update:

- **Current review.** MSLC will proceed with the review of the data that providers submitted by the end of March. MSLC received 40% of the requested data sets. MSLC will be reviewing submissions for the Round 1a in April. MSLC is aware of the reporting period, and the impact on providers will be minimized. Round 1b will start after May 8th.
- **Round 1 population selection.** HHSC received several questions about Round 1 population selection and we wanted to share this with all anchors. MSLC selected measures ensuring that adequate coverage of all RHPs were taken into consideration. Round 1 population includes measures that were flagged by HHSC during review and measures selected based on random sampling. Within each RHP, MSLC used unit sampling based on the DY7/DY8 valuation and set a maximum of 5 measures for a provider in a round. Certain measures were excluded in this round based on HHSC request (e.g. Measures with zero or N/A achievement in PY1 unless otherwise requested by HHSC).

DY9-10 Payments Flow Example

- As previously requested, HHSC is attaching a tool to estimate when DY9-10 payments will occur. Note that there are multiple assumptions in the tool that may not apply to actual reporting.

DSRIP Transition

- CMS and HHSC are currently focused on the response to COVID-19. CMS has indicated that HHSC has met its requirements with respect to meeting Transition Plan deadlines.
- We are assessing whether changes are needed to any CMS deliverable due dates because of delays in milestone work. At this time, we do not expect implementation timelines for new proposals to change. However, the situation continues to evolve and HHSC will adjust our response as necessary.
- **Best Practices Workgroup**
 - The Workgroup has completed its first task on the topic of prioritizing key measures from DSRIP that have been key for driving improvements in the health status of clients within focus areas and populations for continued delivery system reform and quality improvement. The second and final round of *Survey 1: Prioritizing Key Measures* closed on March 3, 2020, and the final results were presented by webinar to the Workgroup on March 17, 2020.
 - The next Workgroup task is to prioritize key practices from DSRIP. The first round of *Survey 2: Prioritizing Key Practices* is currently underway.

3. Other Information for Anchors

DSRIP Statewide Events Calendar

June 2020

RHP	Date	Topic	Contacts
9, 10 & 18	POSTPONED	RHP 9, 10 & 18 Collaborative Connections—Impacting Care: A Learning Collaborative Summit Register here	RHP 9: Margie Roche RHP 10: Nisha Patel RHP 18: des Anges Cruser

July 2020

RHP	Date	Topic	Contact
06	7/7/20	RHP 6 Learning Collaborative & Stakeholder Forum	Carol Huber