

RHP 9, 10, & 18 DY10R1 Reporting Highlights & Q&A with Anchors Learning Collaborative Event Wednesday, April 7, 2021 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Question & Answer Responses

Q1: If we have changed a related strategy due to COVID but plan to continue again once services are F2F, do we need to change the answer to "implemented then discontinued" or leave it as "implemented throughout system" on the related strategies spreadsheet?

A1: Per HHSC Waiver Team-Provider can select "Implemented then discontinued" in their April DY10 RS template, and then during the next opportunity for required Related Strategies reporting, for example in April DY11, provider can update the status again.

Q2: Question on measures under audit with MSLC. We have several measures under audit with MSLC, all but one we have disagreed with their preliminary findings. Since disagreeing with their findings we have not heard back from them and it appears they have not updated HHSC as the Cat C Summary workbook has the historical (original measure submissions). Are any other providers having this issues with lack of follow up from MSLC? Based on the guidance of not submitting against a known baseline that is incorrect.

A2: Please send an email to the Waiver email box, with a copy to your Anchor regarding the details of this issue. You definitely do not want to report against a know incorrect baseline.

Q3: We had a few Related Strategy Items that were discontinued due to COVID.

A3: Indicate that they were discontinued on the related strategies template.

Q4: I am a bit confused on when to submit the related strategies template. Can you expand on when to submit.

A4: As noted during our session, you may have to submit both in April and in October depending on how you are reporting CAT C measures. One change from our session, is that if you are not submitting any CAT C in April, it appears you do not have to submit the Related Strategy template, it

is determinant on submit CAT C measures: In addition, see the response from HHSC on the same question that another Anchor submitted to the Waiver Team:

Anchor questions are in Black, HHSC responses are in Red

We are just wanting to clarify/confirm the requirements around the submission of related strategies template. We have some providers that operate in two regions, and apparently, there is a difference of opinion on the requirements.

Our understanding after participating in the webinar, taking notes on the Q&A during the webinar, reviewing the companion document and reviewing the webinar slides again is that there is a possibility not every provider will submit a related strategies template in April.

It appears to us that there are basically three scenarios:

- 1) Report all Cat C measures, and email completed RS template in April; Provider will not need to submit another RS template in October
 - a. Regardless of achievement carryforward status. Since you get paid the RM milestones for reporting your data even when you formally c/f achievement, as long as you complete reporting and certification of every measure in April 2021, and will not be reporting again until April 2022, you will not submit another RS template this year (October).

Correct. <u>In this case</u>, since this provider wouldn't be reporting to earn Category C <u>reporting</u> milestones during the October DY10R2 reporting period, this provider would not be required to submit a completed Related Strategies reporting template during October DY10R2.

- 2) Report some Cat C measures now and delay reporting of others
- a. Must complete and submit Cat C template and certification, answering the additional questions associated with carryforward–documenting this is a request to report during the NMI period or in October 2021
- b. Must complete and email RS template with updates of at least the lists that are related to any measures/bundles being reported now in April 2021; Provider will have to submit another RS template when they complete reporting of any other measures (whether that is in NMI period or October 2021) to earn payment for those additional reporting milestones

Correct. And to reflect a more accurate response for question 2), for any Category C reporting milestones to be earned during a given reporting period, a completed Related Strategies reporting template must also be submitted during that reporting period.

- 3) Report no measures now delayed reporting of all measures to NMI period or October 2021
 - a. Provider completes and uploads Cat C template and certification marking "no" on reporting performance and answering all required questions

b. Provider DOES NOT need to email in the RS strategy template at this time as nothing is being reported; Provider must submit a completed RS template when the measures are first reported in either the NMI period or October 2021 as payment for RM's requires submission of both completed templates

Is this correct? Or does every provider have to submit an RS template in April even if no RM milestones are being reported at that point in time?

Correct, again if provider intends to earn Category C reporting milestones during a given reporting period, a completed Related Strategies reporting template must also be submitted during that reporting period; providers should not intentionally delay reporting till the NMI period.

Q5: Are we going to have a reporting period in October 2022?

A5: Although there was some confusion on the HHSC Reporting Webinar, the final discussion on the Webinar was that according to HHSC and updated in their posted slides there is a reporting period for DY11R2 (October 2022). The final opportunity to report any DSRIP related items for DY10 Achievement, there will be no carryforwards beyond this timeframe.

Q6: Are there any LHDs who already have a charity care programs?

A6: There was not a response from those on the call, so if you are a LHD and have an exiting LHD Charity Care Program in existence please let me know and I will share.