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CalAIM

Sonoma County Board of Supervisors

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What is CalAIM?

- ▶ California Advancing & Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) is a multi-year DHCS initiative to **improve the quality of life & health outcomes** of our population by **implementing broach delivery system, program & payment reform** across the Medi-Cal program.

CalAIM Behavioral Health Proposals

Payment
Reform

Medical
Necessity

DMC-ODS
Renewal

MH/SUD
Integration

SMI/SED IMD
Waiver

Peer Support
Services

Notes:

DMC-ODS - Drug Medi-Cal - Organized Delivery System

MH/SUD - Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder

SMI/SED - Serious Mental Illness/Serious Emotional Disturbance

IMD - Institution for Mental Disorder

CalAIM Cross Delivery System Proposals

Pre-Release Medi-Cal enrollment & jail to BH warm hand-offs

Limited Medi-Cal Coverage 90 days prior to jail release

Long-term plan for foster youth

Enhanced Care Management (ECM)

Population Health Management Plans

Full Integration Plans

Community Support Services (formerly ILOS)

Near Term Impacts to DHS

▶ January 2022

- ▶ **Enhanced Care Management & Community Supports** (Formerly In-Lieu of Services - ILOS)
 - Whole Person Care (WPC) ends. DHS will incorporate ECM & Community Supports, via contracts with Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC), to redesign WPC & continue to serve individuals, who have severe mental illness & are homeless.
 - ▶ Jan-July 2023 pilot period to determine sustainability
- ▶ **Changes to eligibility criteria** - Increased ability to provide MH services to individuals prior to diagnosis. (Improved services & funding)
- ▶ **DMC-ODS** - Sonoma County may have the opportunity to negotiate with DHCS to join the ODS waiver in 2022-2023
- ▶ **Peer Support Services** - DHCS will offer counties the opportunity to “opt-in” to provide & bill Peer Support Services to Medi-Cal.

CalAIM - Additional impacts

- ▶ July 2022
 - ▶ **Documentation Redesign MH & SUD** - A step in process to reduce charting & administrative burdens
 - ▶ **Co-Occurring Treatment** - Administrative relief when serving individuals with MH & SUD service needs
 - ▶ **No Wrong Door** - Allow services from multiple delivery systems
- ▶ July 2023
 - ▶ **Payment Reform**
 - ▶ Sets fixed rates
 - ▶ Eliminates cost settlement process
 - ▶ Draws Federal Financial Participation (FFP) with Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) process (eliminates Certified Public Expenditure process)
 - ▶ New cost reporting processes & reductions in audit/review processes
- ▶ Many more developments to come

CalAIM Decision Points

- ▶ Most CalAIM initiatives will result in requirements for Sonoma County to continue to contract with DHCS to be the Medi-Cal Mental Health Plan & Drug Medi-Cal Plan.
- ▶ Four known CalAIM initiatives are discretionary & will require Sonoma County to decide whether or not to opt-in.
 - ▶ **November 2021 - Enhanced Care Management (ECM) Provider**
 - ▶ Staff recommends that DHS enter into a contract to provide Enhanced Care Management services with PHC, for homeless individuals, who are Medi-Cal beneficiaries.
 - ▶ Staff recommends that DHS monitor & analyze the financial & programmatic functioning of the benefits, to determine whether or not DHS will continue as an ECM provider for PHC.
 - ▶ **Early 2022 - Community Support Services Provider**
 - ▶ Staff will determine whether or not to offer a recommendation that DHS become a Community Support services (i.e. housing-related services) provider for PHC.
 - ▶ If Sonoma County determines it will provide Community Supports, staff will recommend that DHS monitor & analyze service provision to determine whether or not to continue to provide this service.
 - ▶ **TBD - 2022 - Peer Support Services**
 - ▶ Staff will review upcoming DHCS guidance re: “opting-in” to provide Peer Support Services, & offer recommendations to the BOS as appropriate.
 - ▶ **TBD - 2022 - DMC-Organized Delivery System (ODS)**
 - ▶ Staff will come to the BOS with a recommendation re: whether or not Sonoma County should apply to DHCS to be an ODS county.