SEDS FINANCE MODELS: ENCOUNTER DATA WORKGROUP AGENDA

DATE: AUGUST 22, 2019

TIME: 1:00 PM

MEETING ORGANIZER:	Erin Flynn & Clare McFadden
ATTENDEES:	*State representatives*: Jennifer Perkins; Clare McFadden; Jim Euber; Lori Collins; Erin Flynn; Alicia Cooper; Dale Brooks *Provider Representatives*: Ed Giroux; Cheryl Thrall; Delaina Norton; Jason Richardson
LOCATION:	For those attending in person: WSOC Cherry A For those attending via dial in: +1 (802) 552-8456,,90043154#(Dial-in Number)
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1:00 – 1:10	WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS/ESTABLISH MEETING OBJECTIVES	ERIN/ALL

Description: We will do a round of introductions, and establish the objectives of today's meeting as follows:

Through the past several months of meetings, the work group has homed in on key tasks that must be implemented to make encounter data possible:

-The State, with input from the work group, needs to define what the elements of the encounter data are (service codes, modifiers, etc.).

-The State needs to ready its MMIS to receive encounter data.

-DS providers need to first assess their readiness, and then establish plans for achieving readiness in their IT systems and business practices to submit encounter data. The State has identified a limited amount of financial resources to support needed readiness activities, and providers are in the process of submitting requests for these funds.

- Data on self-directed services paid through ARIS need to migrate to the MMIS. ARIS's vendor, Annkissam, has identified the EDI autoclaim tool as a possible IT solution to automate this process. The State is looking to confirm provider interest in this tool, before moving forward with contract amendment to procure it. Additionally, the work group is working to answer questions and achieve clarity on specific work-flows for using the tool.

-Once encounter data submission begins, the work group will shift its focus to trouble shooting encounter data claims submission and processing issues that arise.

1:10 – 1:20	UPDATE AND DISCUSSION OF MMIS READINESS	ERIN

We will update the work group on State readiness progress. The State has established a target MMIS readiness date of 10/1/2019. Draft billing guidance has been disseminated, and a final update to billing guidance is expected before 10/1/19. The group will look to clarify questions like: how much lead time is needed for providers to implement the final EMR remapping changes, and how do we best disseminate this update to the entire system of care.

1:20 – 1:50	UPDATE AND DISCUSSION OF PROVIDER READINESS REQUESTS	CLARE

The State has received and is reviewing technical assistance requests. The State team has some clarifying

questions they would like to discuss, and will also provide an update on expected next steps for moving the TA requests along.

| 1:50 – 2:25 | WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU | ALL |

We have been talking about and preparing for encounter data collection for some time. Now that we are getting to the final months of readiness preparations, we want to take some time to hear from you. What actions have you been taking to prepare for encounter data collection in your organizations, and how is it going? What are you hearing from your staff, and what kind of additional questions have come up as you have moved through your readiness planning? Are there any other thoughts, concerns, insights or feedback you would like to share with the work group? It also feels like we could do a better job of disseminating the lessons learned and gathered through work group discussions to the broader system of care. Let's revisit our roles as work group members and have a discussion about how we can best serve as ambassadors of this information, and what kind of documentation might help us fulfill that responsibility.

| 2:25 – 2:30 | WRAP UP/NEXT STEPS | ALL |

Let's review any action items identified in today's meeting, and plan for any topics that we should cover at our next meeting.

OUR NEXT MEETING'S DATE: SEPTEMBER 12TH, 1:00 – 2:30