

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
HEALTH INFORMATION
EXCHANGE
POLICY BOARD
MEETING



January 17, 2019 | 3:00 – 5:00 PM



AGENDA

- **Call to Order**
 - **Roll Call**
 - **Announcement of Quorum**
- **Q&A on DHCF HIT/HIE Ongoing Projects**
- **Discussion on the 2018 DHCF Telehealth Meeting**
- **HIE Policy Board Subcommittees Workplan Presentations**
- **Public Comments**
- **Announcements / Next Steps / Adjournment**

Welcome to the Board!



Melisa Byrd

Senior Deputy Director and Medicaid Director for the DC Department of Health Care Finance

Board Seat: Ex-officio (voting) member representing the Department of Health Care Finance



Janis M. Orlowski, MD, MACP

Chief Health Care Officer with the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC)

Board Seat: Public member representing a medical provider that provides primary care or specialty services



Q&A on DHCF HIT/HIE Ongoing Projects



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Program Analyst



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Project Manager



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Noah Smith, MPH, EMT
Program Manager



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Discussion on the 2018 DHCF Telehealth Meeting

Telehealth Policy Allows and Supports Telemedicine in the District

Telemedicine Licensure



In 2017, DC Health/Board of Medicine finalized its telemedicine rule:

- *“In order to practice telemedicine for a patient located within the District of Columbia, a license to practice medicine in the District of Columbia is required...”*
- *“For any services rendered outside the District of Columbia, the provider of the services shall meet any licensure requirement of the jurisdiction in which the patient is physically located.”*

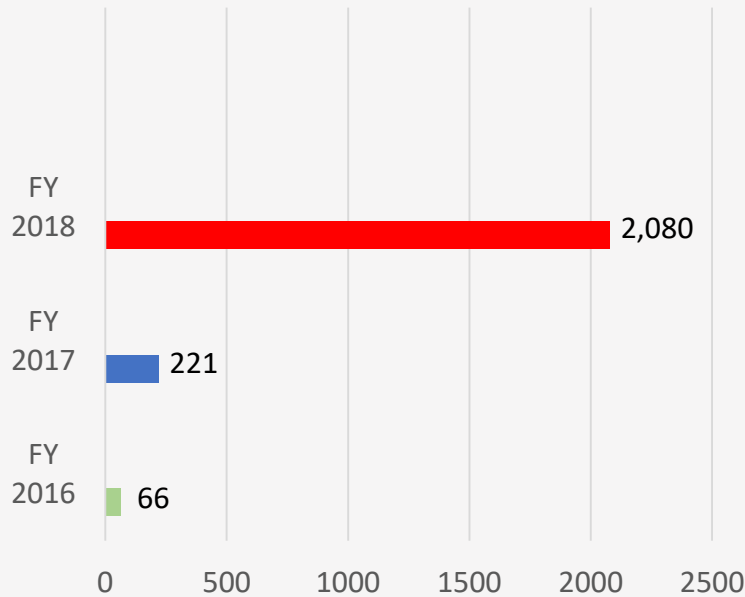
Medicaid Financing



- Since 2016, DHCF provides reimbursement for healthcare services appropriately delivered via telemedicine for fee-for-service beneficiaries, including:
 - primary care
 - behavioral health
 - speech therapy

Medicaid Claims for Telemedicine are Growing; Care Coordination, Telepsych Services Most Common

Telemedicine Claims, by Fiscal Year



SERVICES

UNIQUE BENEFICIARIES

My Health GPS Case Management Visits

1,403

Primary Care Visits

670

Tele-Psych Visit (Individual)

246

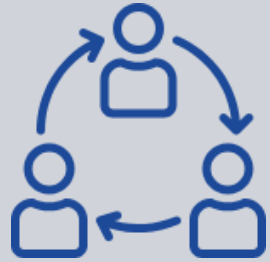
Tele-Psych Visit (Family)

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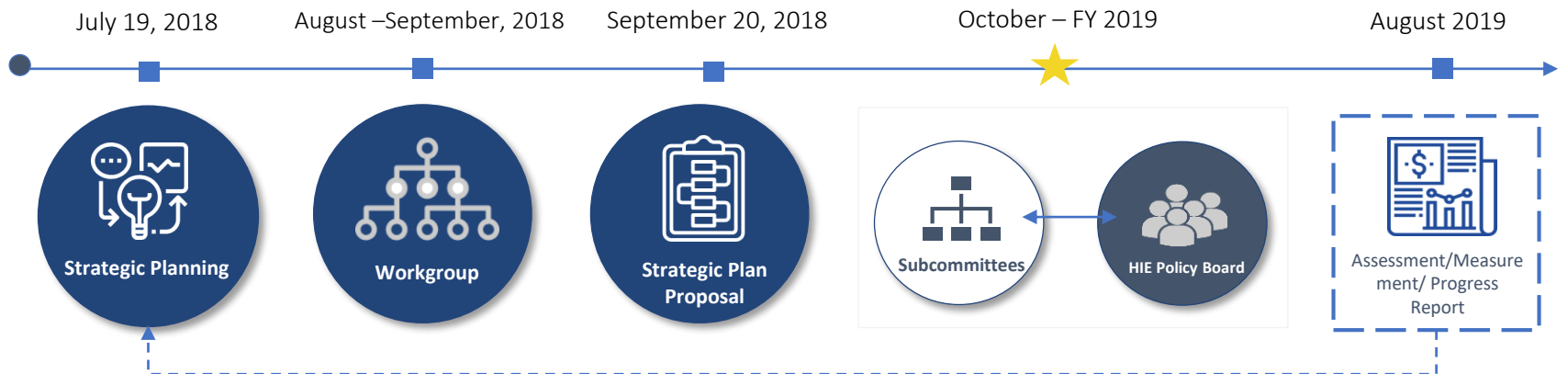
Source: DC Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS). Data was extracted in November 2018. Telehealth claims were identified as paid claims with a "GT" procedure code modifier.

What's Next to Support Innovative Models of Practice?

- Hear from stakeholders in the District regarding interest and readiness to use telehealth as a modality of practice
 - Learn from FY2018 telehealth pilots
- Discuss policies and programs to address infrastructure to provide *person-centered telehealth*
 - Technology
 - Scheduling systems
 - Health information exchange
 - Internet of things/5G
 - Workforce and workflow
 - Training
 - Technical Assistance
 - Culturally-informed care
 - Sustainable, value-based payment models



HIE Policy Board Subcommittees Workplan Presentations



HIE OCE Subcommittee – Purpose, Mission, and Membership

Chair Ms. Lucinda Wade

Purpose Advise, monitor, and improve the community standards for HIE operations in the District.

Mission Facilitate the establishment of standards for the DC HIE entities that reflect best practices and ensure consistent operations within the DC HIE.

Membership

- **HIE PB Members:** Donna Ramos-Johnson, Lucinda Wade
- **Non-Board Members:** Ryan Bramble (CRISP DC) , Jim Costello (DCPCA/CPC), Brian Jacobs (CIQN), Mike Noshay (Verinovum), LaRah Payne (DHCF)

HIE OCE Subcommittee: Draft Goals and Activities for FY 2019

Goal #1: Recommend benchmarks for accuracy, timeliness and completeness of data.	
Activities	Timeframe
1. Understand baseline on key dimensions of data quality	Winter-Summer 2019
2. Analyze national best practices on EHR data quality	Winter-Summer 2019
3. Draft recommendations to the HIE Policy Board	Winter-Summer 2019
Goal #2: Recommend baseline operational performance standards.	
Activities	Timeframe
1. Analyze baseline operational performance based on pool of DC HIE entity applicant submissions	Spring-Summer 2019
2. Identify gaps	Spring-Summer 2019
3. Draft recommendations on operational performance standards to HIE Policy Board	Spring-Summer 2019
Goal #3: Recommend the types of data that should be a core minimum dataset exchanged among the HIEs in the District.	
Activities	Timeframe
1. Identify a minimum or core dataset based on provider type and use case	Summer – Fall 2019
2. Understand challenges to creation of exchange of the core minimum dataset	Summer – Fall 2019
3. Draft recommendations to the HIE Policy Board	Summer – Fall 2019
Goal #4: Recommend operational terminology and definitions to standardize language used in the District as it relates to health information exchange, consistent with the DC HIE rule.	
Activities	Timeframe
1. Identify and catalogue key terminology that needs to be defined/clarified in the DC HIE rule to facilitate implementation	Summer – Fall 2019
2. Crosswalk to nationally or locally defined terminology related to HIE	Summer – Fall 2019
3. Collaborate with registered and designed HIEs to establish a common nomenclature. This should also align to the HIEs educational materials.	Summer – Fall 2019
4. Collaborate with the Stakeholder Engagement and Policy Subcommittees to define concepts on an ad-hoc basis	Summer – Fall 2019
5. Draft recommendation to the HIE Policy Board	Summer – Fall 2019

Stakeholder Engagement Subcommittee – Purpose, Mission, and Membership

Chair Dr. Yavar Moghimi **Vice Chair** Ms. Layo George

Purpose Gain and maintain stakeholder engagement for long-term operational and financial sustainability of health information exchange in the District

Mission To provide recommendations to the HIE Policy Board on:

- Strategies to promote the value of HIE through discussions and forums with identified stakeholders, and
- The SMHP measurement framework and priorities.

Membership

- **HIE PB Members:** Dr. Zach Hettinger, Dr. Marathe Kalyani, Dr. Eric Marshall, Dr. Yavar Moghimi
- **Non-Board Members:** Ms. Layo George (Medstar), Mr. Mark LeVota (DCBHA), Mr. Sandeep Puri (CRISP), Ms. Veronica Sharpe (DCHCA)

Stakeholder Engagement Subcommittee: Draft Goals and Activities for FY 2019

Goal #1: Research District stakeholders and identify their needs to gain understanding on ways to improve their engagement in the District’s HIE initiatives	
Activities	Timeframe
1. Conduct stakeholder exercise to map and identify landscape for engagement in HIE capabilities	Winter – Spring 2019
2. Conduct outreach to identify the barriers and opportunities to participate in the DC HIE	Winter – Spring 2019
3. Research training and educational materials that will be most useful to providers and other stakeholders	Winter – Spring 2019
Goal #2: Collaborate with DHCF to promote the value of health information exchange to District stakeholders	
Activities	Timeframe
1. Promote the value of participating in the HIE with the identified stakeholder groups	Spring – Fall 2019
2. Facilitate discussions and forums to capture stakeholder views on HIE in the District	Spring – Fall 2019
3. Recommend training and educational materials that will be most useful to providers and other stakeholders	Spring – Fall 2019
Goal #3: Recommend feedback to DHCF on SMHP evaluation measures	
Activities	Timeframe
1. Collaborate with DHCF and eHealth DC to provide feedback on SMHP measurement framework, define target measures of success	Spring 2019

Policy Subcommittee – Purpose

Chair Mr. James Turner

Purpose Provide recommendations on public policy initiatives that encourage participation in and the sustainability of the DC HIE.

Policy Subcommittee: Draft Goals & Activities for FY 2019

Goal #1: Make recommendations to the District government on pending policy issues for the (ongoing) implementation of the DC HIE Rule.

Activities

1. Research and define secondary use policy
2. Research and define reporting of unusual findings
3. Review HIE Rule and recommend further guidance and explanation for policies on data privacy and security

Goal #2: Make recommendations to the District government on strategies to improve understanding of direct to consumer consent management in the District to increase patient trust in the DC HIE.

Activities

1. Review consumer education plans of DC HIE entities (registered and designated HIEs) and make recommendations based on nationally known best practices
2. Conduct state HIE analysis of consumer consent laws and best practices
3. Conduct analysis of the impact of existing DC privacy laws (e.g. mental health act) and impact on consumer consent
4. Develop report to inform HIE direct to consumer consent management in the District

Goal #3: Make recommendations to the District government on strategies to inform the impact of local and national HIT/HIE policies on the exchange of health information in the District.

Activities

1. Provide ongoing recommendations and guidance on local policies impacting health information exchange (e.g. DC Mental Health Act)
2. Provide ongoing recommendations and guidance on national policies impacting health information exchange (e.g. ONC's Trusted Exchange Framework and Common Agreement)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION



Board Action: Discuss each subcommittee workplan and make changes on drafted goals and activities.



Board Action Vote on each final workplan for the HIE OCE and Stakeholder Engagement subcommittees' implementation of 2019 missions, goals, and activities.



Public Comments



Announcements/ Next Steps/ Adjournment

Future Meeting Dates:

- April 25, 2019, 3-5 PM
- July 18, 2019, 3-5 PM
- October 24, 2019, 3-5 PM