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## *Weekly Update*

*September 18, 2015*

### **BRONX HEALTH ACCESS PPS UPDATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Learn more about BLHC Implementation at the Next Town Hall**

You are invited to attend next week's Bronx Health Access town hall to learn about the ongoing workforce gap analysis, the status of DSRIP implementation, and much more. Partners will receive a town hall announcement along with the agenda via e-mail next week. Come to ask your questions and share your comments. The Bronx Lebanon Health Access team looks forward to seeing you there!

**Date:** Friday, September 25, 2015

**Time:** 9:00am - 1:00pm

**Location:** Wave Hill- 675 W.252nd Street, Bronx, NY 10471  
(entrance on W.249th Street and Independence Avenue)

For directions to Wave Hill, visit: <https://www.wavehill.org/visit/directions/>



## **Committee Updates**

### **IT Committee**

The Bronx Health Access PPS IT Committee and Care Coordination Cross Functional Workgroup met to draft the future state of workflows of the Bronx Health Access Clearinghouse. Additionally, the IT Committee has completed the actively engaged patient data extraction, which will be piloted at the Urban Health Plan, a Bronx Health Access PPS partner.

### **Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee continues to review budgets submitted by the other PPS Committees and project workgroups. We will continue to develop the PPS Funds Flow model to effectively and efficiently distribute performance funds to PPS partners.

### **PDI Committee**

Earlier this week, the IT Committee presented to the PPS PDI Committee the template that will be used to collect data on actively engaged patients from each participating provider in the PPS.

### **Workforce Development Committee**

Representatives from the Bronx Health Access PPS Workforce Committee made a presentation at the PDI meeting describing the work they will do in the coming months to survey projects and partners about their workforce and training needs.

### **Upcoming Committee and Town Hall meetings**

Please visit <http://blhcpps.org> for the latest and most up to date information on upcoming PPS Committees and Town Hall meetings.



## State DSRIP Update

### **Independent Assessor Releasing Minimum Standards for Supporting Documentation of DSRIP Domain 1 Milestones**

The Independent Assessor is [releasing a draft](#) of, "DSRIP Domain 1 Milestones: Minimum Standards for PPS Supporting Documentation and Independent Assessor Validation Process" for PPS review and comment. This document is intended to provide guidelines and minimum standards related to the level of detail and content required upon completion of a milestone in the Quarterly Report for the various Domain 1 process measures.

In addition, the guide details the methodology that the state's Independent Assessor will implement in order to validate the information submitted by the PPS as evidence of their successful completion of Domain 1 milestones and process measures.

Comments on the guide should be directed to [DSRIP\\_IA@pcgus.com](mailto:DSRIP_IA@pcgus.com) by **5 P.M. on Friday, September 25, 2015**. The Independent Assessor has indicated its plans to incorporate PPS feedback into a final document to be released at the beginning of October. This document will serve as a reference guide for PPSs when developing and completing their Second Quarterly report due October 31, 2015.

### **New Due Date (DY1, Q4) for Domain 1 Workforce Deliverables**

The state has [revised the deadline](#) for Domain 1 Workforce deliverables to DY1, Q4 (due April 2016). PPS will not be required to complete baseline and actual reporting for Workforce Strategy Budget and Workforce Impact Analysis until April 2016. PPS also have until July 2016 to complete the Compensation and Benefit Analysis.

The state is hosting a webinar during the week of September 21st to provide further information on the new deadline and submission process. Registration information for the webinar is not yet available. The state is also planning a stakeholders meeting to discuss development of a workforce compensation and benefits survey that will facilitate data gathering across PPS provider networks.

### **Partner Network Re-Open and Technical Clean-Up Periods Extended**

The New York Department of Health has announced that PPSs have until mid-October to propose the addition of new partners to their PPS provider networks. While adding new providers will not change a PPS's valuation, it could impact a PPS's attribution for performance and could enhance its ability to reach performance metrics.

The NYDOH has postponed the partner network technical clean-up deadline that was previously scheduled for mid-September. In July, the state released [PPS - specific Partner Network lists](#). Partners can notify the BLCH team of issues or potential corrections to the network list by emailing [info@blhcpps.org](mailto:info@blhcpps.org)

### **Medicaid Patients to Receive DSRIP Opt-Out Letters in November**

The New York State Department of Health has delayed plans to send letters to Medicaid beneficiaries giving them the opportunity to opt-out of sharing personal health information with their assigned PPS until November 2015

### **MIX Groups Restructured**

The MRT Innovation Exchange (MIX) groups have announced that they are being restructured to provide a more meaningful space for PPS collaboration. The MIX now features the following groups for public discussion and collaboration:

1. Governance and Finance Group
2. Public DSRIP Project Group
3. Workforce Strategy Group
4. Data Sharing and IT Group
5. Value Based Payment Group

These new discussion groups will be available following the PPS Learning Symposium on September 17th and 18th.



## DSRIP in the News

### [Upstate providers navigate challenges during Medicaid reform effort](#)

*Capital New York*

Through DSRIP, Upstate PPSs are developing innovative strategies to tackle health care access and coverage issues for Medicaid patients. Strategies include the implementation of telemedicine and investment in transportation for patients to get to their appointments.

### [What are a hospital costs?](#)

*New York Times*

The University of Utah Health Care's has developed a new computer program in an effort to measure the cost of care at the organization. The tool has been able to measure the cost of items like drugs, medical device, and a doctor's time in the operating room. The hospital hopes to use this software to identify ways to improve outcomes and reduce costs.

### [Resource Center holds sixth annual Symposium at Chautauqua](#)

*Westfield Republican*

Long-term services and supports to people with disabilities, collaboration, housing, and technology were among the many topics that were discussed at the 6th annual symposium hosted by the Resource Center. Experts and healthcare professionals discussed the several aspects, challenges, and benefits with transitioning to managed care by reforming the payment system.



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