

Contra Costa Health Services

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



Overview

- DMC Waiver is a 5 year pilot
- Goal: improve and expand Treatment to more people
- Waiver redefines services covered by Medi-Cal
 - Includes Residential, Outpatient, Withdrawal Management, Medication Assisted Treatment, Case Management and Recovery Support Services
- Contra Costa's DMC Waiver began July 1, 2017
- Contra Costa was the 5th County in California

Overview

- Entry to treatment is through a Centralized Behavioral Health Access Line
- Clients must have Medi-Cal, Meet Medical Necessity, and reside in CCC
- The emphasis is on providing correct LOC
- Limited coverage on Residential Treatment

Benefits of DMC-ODS Waiver

- Increased use of Licensed Staff (LPHA)
- Expanded Services covered by DMC
- Recovery Residences
- Evidenced Based Programming
- Increased Services for In-Custody
- Increased Oversight and Accountability

System Challenges

- Changing System Culture
- Meeting Network Capacity
 - Increasing Case Management
 - Increasing Withdrawal Management (Detox)
 - Increasing MAT in Custody
 - Additional Residential LOC (3.3 & 3.5)
 - Sufficient funding to meet Non-Federal Match Required by Medi-Cal
 - Serving Undocumented Individuals and Out of County Medi-Cal

In Custody Challenges

- Clearance into Jail (Staff)
- No SUD treatment in the jails (2/3 inmates have an SUD)
- Clients are not Medi-Cal eligible
- Existing Funding in AOD is restricted in jail settings
- Approved Space for Groups
- Prescribing Suboxone to clients with minimal SUD
- Clients Diverting Suboxone
- Medication protocol established before client is released from custody.
- Transportation to treatment once client is released from custody, many do not show up. However, if someone transports is highly effective. Example, Public Defender, Marin County

How Can CAB Advocate?

- Transportation
- Funding for SUD treatment in the Jails to support MAT. Medication alone is not effective. Treatment for all drugs, including alcohol. Education is not sufficient
- Case Management
- Reduce Stigma, Recovery Works, Treatment is Effective