

# **Building Capacity for Transformation**

## New Hampshire's Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) 1115 Waiver Program

The 1115 Waiver represents an unprecedented opportunity for NH to strengthen community based mental health services, combat the opioid crisis and drive health care delivery system reform that promotes integrated treatment of an individual's mental and physical health. The objective is to better support people on Medicaid; however these changes will have positive implications for everyone who accesses any healthcare. Funding is provided by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Service (CMS) - \$150 million over 5 years. Regions must earn payments by meeting metrics defined by the NH Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and approved by CMS. NH is divided into 7 regions called Integrated Delivery Networks (IDN), made up of providers (health, mental health and substance use) and social service organizations that represent the full spectrum of care that might be needed by an individual with a mental health and/or substance use disorder. The Region 7 IDN represents Coos County, Carroll County and Northern Grafton County, approximately 19,138 Medicaid recipients.

#### The Need

- Long wait lists for care- 49 days for outpatient counseling and prescribing authority, days or weeks waiting for a psychiatric crisis bed at New Hampshire Hospital;
- ➤ Limited substance use disorder treatment options- 84% of NH adults with drug dependence did not receive treatment in 2014;
- ➤ An acute health care workforce shortage;
- ➤ Behavioral health and physical health care services should be integrated so that all individuals receive collaborative and comprehensive care. On average a person with a mental illness dies 25 years earlier.
- Lack of follow up care for patients who have been hospitalized with a mental health condition causes high rates of readmission;
- ➤ High recidivism rates for correctional facilities- 48% that leave a correctional facility have parole revoked due to substance use;
- Expansion of Medicaid to newly-eligible adults and the addition of the Substance Use Disorder benefit have placed new demands on an already overtaxed behavioral health system.

#### The Focus

- ➤ Build mental health and substance use disorder treatment capacity
- > Promote integration of physical and behavioral health
- Facilitate smooth transitions in care

To be accomplished through three regional community projects and three statewide projects. (over)



## **Community Projects**

- ➤ Care Transition Support in the transition from institutional settings to the community.
- Expansion of intensive substance use disorder treatments To address the identified need to expand access to a more comprehensive range of services and treatment options.
- ➤ Enhanced Care Coordination for those with multiple physical and behavioral health conditions Improved access through collaboration of all treatment providers to improve health outcomes.

## **Statewide Projects- Must Address**

- > Integration of behavioral health and primary care
- ➤ Workforce capacity for mental health and substance use treatment providers
- ➤ The development of a Health Information Technology (HIT) infrastructure to support integrated care throughout the state.

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### **Region 7 IDN Partners**

Carroll County Coalition for Public Health

(Granite United Way)

Androscoggin Valley Home Care Services

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Androscoggin Valley Hospital

Coos County Family Health Services

Northern Human Services

Tri-County Community Action Program, Inc.

Littleton Regional Healthcare

Visiting Nurse Home Care and Hospice of

Carroll County

Weeks Medical Center

White Mountain Community Health Center

Cottage Hospital Rowe Health Center

Grafton County Nursing Home

**Grafton County Department of Corrections** 

Memorial Hospital

North Country Home Health & Hospice

ServiceLink Resource Center of Carroll County

and Grafton County

Granite State Independent Living

Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital

**Huggins Hospital** 

Affordable Housing Education and

Development (AHEAD)

Children Unlimited

Crotched Mountain Foundation

National Alliance on Mental Illness

Carroll County Department of Corrections

Saco River Medical Group

Central New Hampshire Visiting Nurse

Association & Hospice

Life Coping, Inc.

White Horse Addiction Center

MWV Supports Recovery

Hope for NH Recovery

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