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Attachments: QIP Updates In Response to COVID-19

I. POLICY AND REPORTING UPDATES

PRIME/ QIP COVID-19 Impact

- As part of the [DHCS emergency 1115 waiver request](#) to CMS on April 3, DHCS requested that for both PRIME DY15 and QIP PY3, P4P apply only to “mid-year” performance (i.e., performance as of December 31, 2019), and that Year End performance (i.e., performance as of June 31, 2020) be changed to P4R. For the P4P period, DHCS, DHLF, and SNI are discussing possible “flexibility with setting targets” starting with DHCS’ proposal of 5% gap closure. In order to fully understand the financial impact of this proposal (and variations), David Lown sent a data request to PRIME QIP Leads for PRIME and QIP performances of 12/31/2019 (DY15 MY and an effective PY3 MY). Thank you for your time to share that data last week.
- DHCS has begun discussions with CMS about a 1 year extension to all programs under the 1115 Waiver, which if implemented would delay transition of PRIME metrics into QIP until 2021 (impacting PRIME metrics under QIP PY3.5 as well). CAPH has also received confirmation from Leader Pelosi’s office that the Waiver extension request will also be part of the 4th stimulus bill, which will likely be finalized later this fall. Either way, we do not expect a decision on Waiver extension for several months. We will keep everyone informed of the status of this request and all implications, but for now through the end of 2020, there are no changes (aside from the P4R/P4P mentioned above) to the specific metrics being reported on by DPHs.

PRIME

- **DY14 YE report.** Please send in a secure email [Dana](#) after DHCS completes the clinical/detailed review
- **DY15 MY report.** Please send in a secure email [Dana](#) after you submit to DHCS.
- **DY14 Supplemental Claiming.** DHCS will start calculations after all DPH have completed their DY14 Year End clinical/detailed review.

QIP

- **PY2 report.** Please send via secure email to [Dana](#) after DHCS completes the clinical/detailed review.
- **PY3.5.** DHCS updated the List of Value Sets for MCPs with a correction to RU6 and posted to [DHCS’ website](#) on March 20.
- **PY4-8 Measure Survey postponed.** See attached email from DHCS. The member survey discussion on May 11 (12-1:30) will be cancelled. Please note, at this time, the survey has not been cancelled, just postponed. SNI, DHLF and DHCS will continue to reassess the ability to restart the survey over the next several months, based on our knowledge of the re-allocation of your analyst and clinical staff away from routine duties and onto COVID-related activities. So once you start shifting your folks back to routine activities, please let us know.

II. MEMBER SUPPORT

PRIME/ QIP

- **PRIME/QIP Leads Webinar** Mon, Apr 27 (12-1) will cover program updates. Recordings posted on [PRIME](#) and [QIP](#) pages.
- **PRIME/QIP Office Hours.** David Lown walked through Waiver extension scenarios on the April 7 Office Hour. Recordings posted on [PRIME](#) and [QIP](#) pages. Next office hour: May 14 (12-1).

PRIME

- **DY15 MY Data Review Webinar April 30** will be canceled due to the multiple reporting extensions.

- **DHCS-led Topic-Specific Learning Collaborative (TLCs):** Materials on [PRIMEone](#)*. Questions can be directed to [Megan Thomas](#).

III. IMPLEMENTATION TOOLS & OPPORTUNITIES

More tools posted on [PRIME/Project Implementation Resources](#) and [QIP/Implementation Tools](#).

- [COVID Resources](#) compiled by SNI and CAPH. Link can be found on the [SNI Link main page](#).
- **EHR Safety Net User Groups.**
 - SNI hosts EHR user groups (Epic and Cerner) every other month for reporting, analytics or clinical operations lead who would benefit from hearing from systems well-established on Epic/Cerner how they are addressing technical and operational practices and lessons learned.
 - **Epic User Group:** Tuesday, 4/21 (1-2) will be a peer sharing session on members' COVID-19 response and how they are leveraging Epic to address their needs. Register [here](#) and view past sessions [here](#).
 - **Cerner User Group:** Wednesday, 4/22 (12-1) will be a peer sharing session on members' COVID-19 response and how they are leveraging Cerner to address their needs. Register [here](#) and view past sessions [here](#).

IV. Key Deadlines & Dates

- **Mar 31 (unless extension requested) – PRIME** DY15 Mid-Year Report Due
- **Sept 30 – PRIME** DY15 Year-End Report Due
- **Oct 26, 27 - PRIME**d Annual Conference hosted by DHCS and Harbage in Sacramento
- **Dec 15 – QIP** PY3 Report Due
- **Mar 31, 2021 – QIP** PY3.5 Report Due for “PRIME Transition” metrics
- **June 15, 2021 – QIP** PY3.5 Report Due for “Core QIP” metrics

About: The PRIME/QIP Express is sent monthly to CAPH members with information, tools and news about PRIME and QIP. If you have any topics suggested for a webinar or this Express, please contact [Dana Pong](#).

PRIME and QIP materials, including this newsletter, are posted on [SNI Link/PRIME](#) and [SNI Link/QIP](#). SNI Link is open to all CAPH members after registration.

*Document sharing and discussion board for all PRIME participants can be found on [DHCS' PRIMEOne portal](#). Email PRIME@dhcs.ca.gov to obtain access. Official QIP documents can also be found on DHCS [QIP public page](#).

To add or remove people from this Express please email [Abby Gonzalez](#). This list is the “PRIME/QIP Teams” list that receives the monthly QIP Leads webinar emails and other PRIME/QIP related announcements..

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