



Behavioral Health Updates & 2022 DHS Legislative Preview

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2021 Recap

- Historic HHS budget bill & policy provisions
- New federal funding inspired significant investments
- 38.2 % Increase in annual Behavioral Health Grants



Behavioral Health Implementation Updates

- Mental Health Uniform Service Standards (USS)
- Children's Mental Health Screening Grants
- Intensive Treatment in Foster Care (ITFC) policy changes
- Case Management Redesign*
- Telehealth*

Behavioral Health Implementation Updates

- New pathway for children entering residential treatment
- MH Workforce expansion
- Adult Crisis Stabilization per diem rate
- Certified Community Behavioral Health Center (CCBHC) modifications
- School-Linked Behavioral Health

Behavioral Health Implementation Updates

Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Services and Treatment

- Recovery Community Organization funding*
- 1115 SUD Demonstration Waiver enrollment and rate increases*
- SUD population-specific rate add-on increases*
- Culturally & Linguistically Appropriate Standards (CLAS)*
- Outpatient Billable Hours medical necessity
- Paperwork Reduction*
- Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) rate recommendations

Behavioral Health Implementation Updates

Reports & Studies

- Sober Housing
- Continuity of Care for Students: Streamlining IEP and MA services in schools
- Rate study for mental health and SUD services*
- Identifying gaps and reducing barriers for children in residential treatment

Onetime Grant Funding

- Mobile Crisis grants
- Transition to Community policy reforms and funding
- Provider Capacity Grants for Rural and Underserved Communities



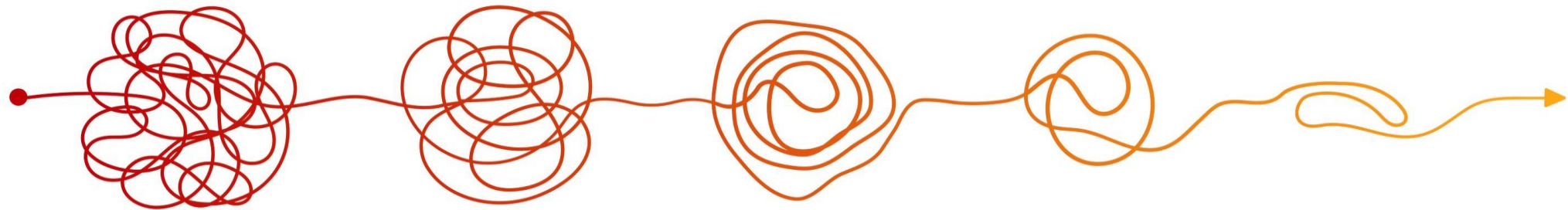
DHS Behavioral Health 2022 Priorities

Technical & Clarifying Policy Changes

- Repeals obsolete advisory council and pilot project
- Terminology corrections “Chemical Dependency” to “Substance Use Disorder”
- Telehealth clarification on face-to-face requirements for targeted case management
- Licensing clarifications for substance use disorder programs

Simplifying Requirements & Focusing on People

- Mental Health Uniform Service Standards (USS)
- Reducing paperwork requirements for SUD programs



- Revitalizes the state's behavioral health, direct support, and housing workforces by establishing a workforce incentive fund.
- Employers in these industries would be allowed to apply for grants to deliver incentives to employees who have been employed for six months or longer.

Intensive Mental Health Services

- Intensive Treatment in Foster Care benefit expansion
- Expanding beds for inpatient children's psychiatric hospital and psychiatric residential treatment facility (PRTF)
- PRTF start-up grants
- Expanding Mobile Transition Units for children and adults

Children's Mental Health Respite

- Redefine the scope of allowable expenses under the Children's Mental Health Respite Care grant program
- respite care services that are family-centered and culturally affirming.



Community-Based Mental Health Services

- Expanding First Episode Psychosis grant funding
- Establishing Emerging Mood Disorder program
- Expanding Mobile Crisis grant funding
- Expanding Transition to Community grant funding
- Adult Day Treatment rate increase
- Children's MH Community of Practice

Reducing Disparities & Addressing the Opiate Epidemic

- Expand membership of the Opiate Epidemic Response Advisory Council (OERAC) to include representation from MN's federally recognized American Indian tribes
- Requires 40 percent of the OERAC grants are awarded culturally responsive projects
- Traditional Healing grant extended in base
- Reporting data and sharing promising outcomes for new settlement dollars

Direct Access to SUD Treatment & Federal Compliance

- Legislative changes to make the full transition to remove “placing authority” concept and allow people to access SUD treatment directly, like treatment for other health conditions under public health programs
 - Federal compliance to ensure a person’s choice of provider
- Adds definitions for American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) outpatient and intensive out-patient level of care
 - Federal compliance with 1115 SUD Demonstration waiver

Social Determinants of Behavioral Health

- DHS and Governor's budget priorities include investments in economic stability, housing, healthy food, child care, strong communities, education, and more.



Thank You!