Expanding Community-Based Behavioral Health Services

Areas of Opportunity

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• Founded 2014
• 45 Member Agencies
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• Mission and focus: improve behavioral health services through provider voice and stability
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The Three Strategies

1. Expand Current Services
2. Develop New Services
3. Improve Operational Effectiveness

Introduction: The Three Strategies
Challenge: Maintain and enhance the current provider network and workforce

Meeting the Challenge:
- Adequate reimbursement rates
- Competitive pay
- Lower cost health insurance
- Retirement programs

Challenge: Eliminate barriers to employing NM behavioral health graduates

Meeting the Challenge:
Develop “internship to employment” tracks for students
Challenge: Develop Statewide Plan
Meeting the Challenge:
  • Missing service networks (The Gaps)
  • Data mapping
  • Community-based planning

Challenge: New program development requires time and resources
Meeting the Challenge:
  • Incentivize current providers to offer to expand or offer new services
  • Competitive contracts to new organizations

Add New Services
Challenge: Administrative Burden
Meeting the Challenge:
- Large system; not just the providers
- Implement process review and identify unfunded costs early
- Eliminate unnecessary duplication in Medicaid services, e.g., Credentialing and Claims

Challenge: Performance based payment reform
Meeting the Challenge:
- Monitor Value Based Purchasing MCO requirements
- Use experience of Bridges to Wellness and Delta Center grants for policy development