



New Hampshire
Department of Health and Human Services
Building Capacity for Transformation
Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver

Application Addendum

June 30, 2014



Waiver Application Addendum

On May 30, 2014, the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) submitted an application for a Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver (Waiver) from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to support the continuing reform of its Medicaid program and of New Hampshire's health care delivery system as a whole. The Waiver, titled *Building Capacity for Transformation*, proposes to address:

- The fragility of the current behavioral health delivery system;
- The challenges facing the behavioral health delivery system in meeting the needs of individuals; and
- The fragmented delivery system for individuals with complex health needs.

On June 13, 2014, CMS requested that New Hampshire submit information pertaining to the appropriate evaluation indicators under 42 CFR 431.412(a)(1)(vii) ("The research hypotheses that are related to the demonstration's proposed changes, goals and objectives, a plan for testing the hypotheses in the context of an evaluation, and, if a quantitative evaluation design is feasible, the identification of appropriate evaluation indicators.").

This addendum to the Waiver application presents a summary of the potential indicators that will be included in New Hampshire's demonstration evaluation.

Potential Evaluation Indicators

The State will work with CMS and other external stakeholders to develop a draft evaluation plan (Plan). The Plan will include a discussion of the goals, objectives, and evaluation questions specific to the entire demonstration and describe the methodology that will test the hypotheses proposed in the initial Waiver application submitted on May 30, 2014. The Plan will also describe the outcome measures that will be used in evaluating the impact of the demonstration during the period of approval, and include the data sources and sampling methodology for assessing these outcomes. The Plan will also identify whether the State will conduct the evaluation, or select an outside contractor for the evaluation. The Plan will be structured to evaluate the effectiveness of the individual DSHPs described in the Waiver, and the impact of the Waiver as a whole on the State's behavioral health system and the State's overall health care system.

When identifying potential evaluation indicators, the State reviewed nationally-recognized sources and national measures sets, including CMS's Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Adults Enrolled in Medicaid (CMS Adult Core Set)¹, CMS's Core Set of Health Care Quality Measures for Children in Medicaid and CHIP (CMS Pediatric Core Measure Set)², and measures required by the Affordable Care

¹ Available at <http://www.medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Quality-of-Care/Downloads/AdultCoreMeasures.pdf>

² Available at <http://www.medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Quality-of->



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Act³.

Below are potential evaluation indicators that the State will consider while developing the Plan. Please note that these potential evaluation indicators are preliminary in nature and are anticipated to evolve with the evaluation design and implementation plan of each Designated State Health Program (DSHP).

[Care/Downloads/ChildCoreMeasures.pdf](#)

³ Available at <http://www.medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Quality-of-Care/Adult-Health-Care-Quality-Measures.html>



Addendum Table 1. Potential Evaluation Indicators.

Potential Evaluation Indicators for Designated State Health Programs (DSHPs)						
Measure Sets Framing the Evaluation (n.b. individual measures will be determined during subsequent Evaluation Design)	(1) Community Reform Pool DSHP	(2) Community-Based Mental Health Services DSHP	(3) System of Care (SOC) / F.A.S.T. Forward DSHP	(4) Behavioral Health Workforce Development DSHP	(5) InSHAPE DSHP	(6) Oral Health Pilot Program for Pregnant Women DSHP
CMS Adult Measure Set	✓	✓			✓	
CAHPS Health Plan Survey 5.0H – Adult Questionnaire	✓	✓			✓	
CMS Pediatric Core Measure Set	✓		✓			
CAHPS Health Plan Survey 5.0H – Child Questionnaire	✓		✓			
Access to Behavioral Health Workforce	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
New Hampshire Hospital Utilization	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Behavioral Health Satisfaction Survey	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Substance Use Disorder Services Utilization	✓	✓	✓			
Access to SUD Providers	✓	✓	✓	✓		
SOC Practice Adherence			✓			
National Outcome Measures (NOMS)	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Outcome Rating Scale (ORS)			✓			



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Routine Dental Care Utilization						✓
Tobacco Cessation Service Utilization					✓	✓
Emergency Dental Services Utilization						✓
Hospital Dental Services Utilization						✓
Preventable Dental Care (e.g. crowns, extractions, pulpotomies)						✓
Costs for Dental Services						✓
Periodontal Disease and Birth Outcomes						✓