Getting to Know FARS

CBHDA Financial Analysis and Review Subcommittee (FARS)

- Kara Anguiano, Stanislaus County Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
- Leda Frediani, Alameda County Behavioral Health
- Sharon Mendonca, Merced County Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
Mission:
Assure the accessibility of quality, cost-effective, culturally competent behavioral health care for Californians by providing leadership, advocacy, and support to public behavioral health programs.

Purpose:
- To advocate for the public behavioral health system and its delivery of care to persons experiencing behavioral health issues in California.
- To promote the reduction of individual and community problems related to unaddressed behavioral health issues.
- To convene behavioral health professionals for the purpose of informing public policy and improving the delivery of behavioral health services.
Financial Analysis & Review Subcommittee

- Directs Mission, Values and Purpose of CBHDA
- Works on behalf of the Board
- Review Behavioral Health policy issues and make recommendations to the Board
- Advisory body on fiscal matters that directly concern county behavioral health programs
Activities

➢ Review state notices and give feedback before they are released statewide

➢ Work with state agencies, including DHCS, on funding and distribution methodologies

➢ Meet with state agencies to discuss issues and help shape solutions prior to implementation statewide, and offer information or data as necessary on county fiscal operations

➢ Participate in state subcommittee work groups as needed
Current Projects & Priorities:

- Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Revenue and Expenditure Report review
- MHSA Reversion
- CMS Final Rule
- Proposed elimination of UMDAP
- Cost report settlement timelines
FARS Advisory Value
Mental Health Services Act

Annual Revenue and Expenditure report
- MHSA & other funds
- Interest reporting
- Adjustments

MHSA Reversion
- Calculation of reversion
- Appeals process
Mega Rule: Medicaid Managed Care Final Rule

Goals: Improve quality of care/delivery system reform; Strengthen beneficiary protections; Improve accountability and transparency; Align with other health coverage programs

Under the final rule, counties will experience significant expenditure increases

- Admin vs UR claiming
- What will be the claiming mechanism?
- How to capture cost?
- Source of match?
- Network adequacy
- Monitoring requirements
- Quality rating system
FARS Advisory Value
Proposed elimination of UMDAP

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TO: LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS
    LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM CHIEFS
    LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATORS
    COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
    CHAIRPERSONS, LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH BOARDS

SUBJECT: UNIFORM METHOD OF DETERMINING ABILITY TO PAY (UMDAP) BRIEF
FARS Advisory Value

Timeliness of Cost Reporting and Cost Settlement

- Timeliness of reporting documents
- Time lines to turn in Cost Reports
- County submission of error free reports
- Cost Settlements
- Audits
- Impacts to County budget
FARS Subcommittee Membership

- 3 representatives from different counties located within the 5 geographic regions

- Los Angeles is allowed 1 representative.

- Expanded membership needs with different specialties to meet goals
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