



Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Waiver

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Stakeholder Engagement

- January 2014 - DHCS began the stakeholder engagement process.
- April 2014 - DHCS held three Waiver Advisory Group meetings.
- Mid-July - DHCS released draft Special Terms and Conditions (STCs).
- July 2014 - DHCS held a Waiver Advisory Group to review comments from the STCs.

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- The second draft of the STCs were released on October 17, 2014.
- The next Waiver Advisory Group meeting will be held in early November to review the financial provisions.
- DHCS will look to submit the Waiver to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) after the next Waiver Advisory Group meeting.

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- The goal is to improve the quality and availability of substance use disorders (SUD) services for California's beneficiaries.
 - The Waiver will give State and county officials more authority to select quality providers.
 - The Waiver will be consumer-focused; use evidence based practices and improve program quality outcomes.
 - The Waiver will support coordination and integration across systems.

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- The Waiver will ensure access to SUD services while also increasing program oversight and integrity at the county and state level.
- The Waiver will provide more appropriate use of health care, such as reduced emergency room and hospital inpatient visits.
- The Waiver will provide availability of all SUD services including residential services without the restrictions of the institutions for mental disease (IMD) exclusion.

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Residential Services

- Currently restricted due to the IMD exclusion.
- Ninety percent of California's residential bed capacity is considered an IMD.
- The Obama Administration has agreed to allow a few states to pilot residential services without a bed limit.
- CA has been identified as a pilot state.
- Without this waiver, California cannot provide residential services.

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Key Elements in the Waiver:

- Counties Opt In
- County of Residency
- Continuum of Care
- Residential Services
- Expanding Medication Assisted Treatment
- Case Management
- The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Criteria

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- Quality Assurance Activities
- Telehealth
- Selective Provider Contracting
- Licensed Practitioners of the Healing Arts
- Interface with Primary Care and Health Plans
- Evidence-Based Practices
- Intersection with the Criminal Justice System

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Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) Services With and Without Waiver

DMC and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Services	SPA 13-038 (Non-Waiver)	Opt-In Waiver
Outpatient/Intensive Outpatient	X	X
<u>Narcotic Treatment Program</u>	X	X
Additional MAT		X*
Residential		X (one level)
Withdrawal Management		X (one level)
Recovery Services		X
Case Management		X
Recovery Residence		X (optional)
Physician Consultation		X (optional)

*Counties opting into the Waiver will be required to provide NTP and/or other medication assisted treatment (MAT) services.

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- Assistance from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- Waiver Authority
- Statutory Changes
- Financial Provisions