Medicaid Moving Forward

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Medicaid and Behavioral Health

- Medicaid is the largest payer for mental health services in the United States
- In 2007, Medicaid funding comprised 58% of State Mental Health Agency reimbursement for community mental health services
- Comprehensive services available through Medicaid; many are optional under Medicaid so state's have considerable flexibility in benefit design
- 2014—more individuals with mental health and substance use conditions will be covered
Affordable Care Act

- Expands eligibility for Medicaid
  - Adults up to 133% FPL
  - New income standard: MAGI
- Create State/Federal Marketplaces
  - Tax credits and cost-sharing assistance for qualifying individuals and families

2014 Health Insurance Subsidies

Medicaid/CHIP

Children

Marketplace Tax Credits and Cost-sharing assistance*

Medicaid Adults

*Marketplace tax credits are available for individuals and families between 100% and 400% of FPL who are not otherwise eligible for minimum essential coverage (including Medicaid). Cost-sharing assistance is available for individuals and families between 100% and 250% FPL.
Mental Health Parity

- Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA) applies to:
  - CHIP Program
  - Medicaid MCOs
  - Section 1937 non-managed care Alternative Benefit Plans and benchmark equivalent plans
- MHPAEA does not apply to State Plan Services

CMCS Goals for Behavioral Health

- **Goal One**: Effective use of screening for mental and substance use disorders, including strategies to refer and effectively treat individuals with these conditions.
- **Goal Two**: Increased access to behavioral health services for persons with serious and/or chronic disorders.
- **Goal Three**: Improved integration of primary care and behavioral health, and in some instances, long term services and supports to obtain better health outcomes for individuals with mental and substance use disorders.
Goals for Behavioral Health

- Goal Four: Better availability of Evidenced Based Practices to enhance recovery and resiliency and reduce barriers to social inclusion.
- Goal Five: Strategic development, implementation and testing of new benefit design and service delivery with models that are taken to scale.