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OPDS Contracting Model Enhancement Workgroup

Background

Two weeks ago, the OPDS Contracts team released a memo entitled, “2021 OPDS Contracts Workplan.” The purpose of this memo was to inform the provider community of the team’s current and future focus regarding a multitude of contract-related topics. One action-item expressed in the memo was the formulation of a Contracting Model Enhancement Workgroup, defined as “a workgroup with selected providers, with the goal of formulating recommendations and solutions for issues deemed critical for successful future contracting and enhancement.” The memo also invited providers to express their interest in participating in the Workgroup, with a deadline of March 26, 2021.

Participant Selection

Members of the provider community graciously responded to the Contracts Team to express their interest in participating in the Workgroup. In order to keep it to a size manageable for efficient and effective communication through digital means, the Contracts Team chose to limit the Workgroup to 12 participants from the provider community. The Contracts Team was diligent to formulate criteria used to ensure selected members were representative of the diverse provider community. To these ends, the Contracts Team was also careful to avoid duplicative representation from the same Contract or similarly situated Contract Entities. The Contracts Team ensured representation of the following:

- Socioeconomic Status (Urban, Non-Urban)
- Region (Coastal, Eastern, Southern, Valley)
- Entity-Type (Public Defender, Consortium, Law Firm)
- Entity-Size (Small, Medium, Large)
- Contract Participation (Contract Administrator, Line Attorney)

Participant Responsibility

In total, Workgroup participants will be tasked with the responsibility of formulating recommendations for five mission-critical areas within the contracting model. Initially, however, the Workgroup will focus on:

- (1) Definition of “Staff” (non-attorneys) in Contract Terms
- (2) Effective “Staff”-to-Attorney/Supervisor-to-Attorney Ratios

Additionally, Workgroup participants will act as a point-of-contact for similarly situated entities and members of the provider community, relaying the input and questions of non-Workgroup members at Workgroup meetings.

Attached, please find a list of individuals from the provider community that will be participating in the Workgroup, as well as the specific criteria they fulfil in representation. If, at any time, you have additional information on Workgroup topics that you would like considered, please reach out to the participant that best represents your entity or to your Contract Analyst.

Provider Survey

It is the desire of OPDS to work collaboratively with providers to create future contracts that are appropriate and sustainable for all involved. While the Workgroup participants were carefully selected to provide equitable representation of the diverse provider community, it is understood that each provider may have a unique perspective on the Workgroup topics. With that in mind, the Contracts Team created a survey as a platform for providers to voice their opinion on these topics. Responses are appreciated, will be used as part of the Workgroup meetings, and will remain anonymous if you choose not to identify yourself on the survey. Survey responses are due by Friday, April 9, 2021.

The survey can be found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7N23L7X>

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Provider Community Members

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