

Quality Improvement Committee (QIC) Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 3, 2015

In Attendance:

Matt Rosen (Chair), Supervisory Quality Improvement Specialist, QMD/DDS
Joyce Maring, George Washington University
Alison Whyte, Program Development Specialist, SODA
Shirley Quarles-Owens, Supervisor, Health & Wellness Unit
Barbara Stachowiak, PCR, DDS
Nanya Chiejine, Program Specialist, QMD/DDS
Jimi Lethbridge, Quality Trust

Handouts from the Meeting

- ❖ Agenda
- ❖ Minutes from October Meeting
- ❖ Quality Improvement Committee FY 2015 Annual Report
- ❖ National Core Indicators (NCI) for the New HCBS Requirements
- ❖ Fall Risk Assessment & Screening Tool for Adults (FRAST for IDD & CDC Fall Questionnaire)

Review of October 6, 2015, Minutes

- ❖ No changes to the minutes.

Follow up on Preventing Falls Conversation, Evans, Waiver

Falls Conversation

- ❖ Joyce Maring presented two screening forms (FRAST for IDD & CDC Fall Questionnaire) that could replace the form created by this group. The benefits are that the other forms are being or hope to be used by other groups across the country. The forms do not differ greatly from the QIC form. The group agreed to use both of these forms during the pilot so that we can assist in validating the forms and provide the feedback to the originators of the forms.
- ❖ GWU members are developing the documents for the IRB so that any findings could be published.

Evans Update

- ❖ DDA is engaged in monitoring most class members to ensure all expected services are being provided in a person's day program and all medical records meet with DDA standards. Technical Assistance is being provided by DDA staff when systemic problems are addressed.

Waiver Update

- ❖ Because DDA has made significant improvements on all Performance Measurements, CMS has stated that the District no longer needs to submit Quarterly reports.
- ❖ With CMS' approval of DDA Waiver technical amendment, there will be three new Performance indicators that DDA must track. Results will be tracked starting December 1.

National Core Indicator Data Analysis

- ❖ At Director Nuss' request, the group reviewed the NCI Indicators that relate to the new HCBS Requirements. The group briefly reviewed the data and to postpone conversations until the following meeting.

QIC Goals for FY16

- ❖ Group members discussed possible goal for FY16. Suggestions included 1) reviewing hospitalization data to determine if there was a way to reduce Emergency Room utilization and healthcare costs overall and 2) reviewing the new waiver rules for clinical services to incorporate more person-centered thinking practices that would support both the person and the clinician.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 1, 2015