

Network of Behavioral Health Providers Behavioral Health Blast #6

All the best,

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Clinical Practice

- **Webinar – Making the Clinical and Business Case for Closer Medication Monitoring in Community Behavioral Healthcare Organizations**

Date & Time: Wednesday, March 29, 12:00 PM Central time

To Register: [Click here](#)

Organizer: National Council for Behavioral Health

Description: Your clinical record only shows what you prescribed and what your clients report taking, but for a substantial portion that is neither the whole story nor the actual situation. What if they aren't really taking what you prescribed? What if they are taking other similar medication prescribed by others? What if they are taking non-prescribed medications? How many relapses, hospitalizations, suicide attempts, and comorbid substance abuse cases could organizations prevent if they had an organized way to track and address these risks?

During this webinar, participants will learn about:

- Successes and lessons from the field regarding implementation and use of this technology from the CEO and Medical Director perspective
 - Using medication monitoring technology to prove clinical quality
 - Making the financial case for utilizing urine drug monitoring tests to prove value
- **Reminder: Opioid Overdose Prevention Toolkit:** The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (SAMHSA) updated this toolkit to educate first responders, physicians, patients, families and community members on ways to prevent opioid overdose. It now includes information on the first FDA-approved nasal spray version of naloxone. To download the toolkit, [click here](#).

EHRs, Security, and IT

- **Webinar – How to get your EHR to match reality for UDS measures on depression**

Date & Time: Tuesday, March 28, 1:00 PM Central time

To Register: [Click here](#)

Organizer: SAMHSA-HRSA

Description: Is your electronic health record (EHR) working for you or against you? Does your agency's UDS report accurately reflect the work you do for depression screening and other behavioral health integration activities? Join this webinar to learn strategies and steps your team can use to make the most of the EHR to support improved health outcomes for your patients. Gain insight from a health technology expert and practical tips from an agency who learned to make their EHR a true part of the team to improve UDS depression measures through inputting and analyzing depression screening data from the EHR.

Maximizing Third Party Funding Streams Revenue—Resources Related to Insurance Billing and Credentialing

- ***Webinar – Methodologies of Implementing Costing Measurements***

Date & Time: Wednesday, March 29, 11:00 AM Central time

To Register: [Click here](#)

Organizer: National Council for Behavioral Health

Description: As teams look at moving into Value Based Reimbursement models that must follow the Value of Care Equation to be successful, they are making large and vital decisions for their agencies based upon inaccurate or often without financial information and putting the longevity of their organization at risk. In this session, Scott Lloyd, President of MTM Services, will draw from his experience helping set up these types of systems across the country to help you help your team!

Learning Objectives:

1. Understanding the importance that costing plays in the Value of Care Equation.
2. Understanding how to appropriately establish the cost of care in Value of Care Equation.
3. What to do if your financial reality does not meet the needs of your agency long term.

- ***Reminder: Update Your Bookmarks and Links as CMS Streamlines ICD-10 Resources:*** As a reminder, CMS has merged all up-to-date content from our Road to 10 website to our main ICD-10 site, cms.gov/ICD10, to streamline your access to resources. We're now phasing out the Road to 10 site, with an anticipated completion date of April 3. In preparation for the merge, please be sure to update all bookmarks and links for Roadto10.org to point to cms.gov/ICD10.

Outcome-Based Evaluation

- ***Webinar - Who's Leading the Leading Health Indicators? Webinar: Mental Health***

Date & Time: Thursday, March 23, 11:00 AM Central time

To Register: [Click here](#)

Organizer: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Description: The burden of mental illness in the United States is among the highest of all diseases, and mental disorders are among the most common causes of disability.

Mental health is essential to a person's well-being, healthy family and interpersonal relationships, and the ability to live a full and productive life. Early diagnosis and treatment can decrease the disease burden of mental health disorders as well as associated chronic diseases. Assessing and addressing mental health remains important to ensure that all Americans lead longer, healthier lives.

The Leading Health Indicators (LHIs) represent a smaller set of Healthy People 2020 objectives selected to communicate high-priority health issues and actions to help address them. LHIs are used to assess the health of the Nation, facilitate collaboration across sectors, and motivate action to improve the health of the U.S. population. Join this webinar to learn about progress made toward achieving the Healthy People 2020 Mental Health Leading Health Indicators. You'll also hear how one community organization is implementing the Sources of Strength Program to prevent suicide among youth.

- ***Social determinants: a must for value-based care and population health:*** According to Healthcare IT News, managing social determinants within population health is critical to improving outcomes, closing care gaps and lowering the cost curve. The ultimate success of more advanced care delivery models — notably population health management and value-based care — will rely in no small part of including social determinants of health to shape a more comprehensive view of patients. To view more, please [click here](#).

Public Policy/Advocacy

- ***Congressional Budget Office Reports ACA Replacement Bill Would Slash Medicaid Funding, Coverage:*** According to an article by the National Council on Behavioral Health, the American Health Care Act (AHCA) will in result in dramatic reductions to Medicaid coverage and cuts to spending, according the Congressional Budget Office's (CBO) analysis released this week. Over the next ten years, the AHCA is projected to cut \$880 billion dollars from Medicaid, shifting the burden of these costs to states. These cuts to Medicaid and rollback of Medicaid expansion will result in a loss of coverage for an estimated 14 million beneficiaries. To view more, please [click here](#).
- ***Trump Releases FY 2018 Budget, Cuts Discretionary Spending:*** Earlier this week, President Trump released his budget proposal for fiscal year 2018. Most significantly, the President requested that Congress cut \$54 billion in nondefense discretionary spending to offset a \$54 billion increase in defense spending. Cuts to nondefense discretionary spending mean cuts to health and education services and programs, including programs for mental health and addictions. To view more of this National Council on Behavioral Health article, please [click here](#).