

Meeting Summary



Project / Initiative:	FASAMS
Meeting Purpose:	Data Advisory Committee (DAC) Meeting
Meeting Date:	4/06/2021
Meeting Time:	10:00am - 11:00am

	Attendee	Office		Attendee	Office
				Danielle Downing,	Credible
x	Richard Power	SAMH		Natalie Kelly	FAME
x	Greg Nix	SAMH		Paul Beebe	FAME
x	Tracey Fannon	SAMH	x	Jesse Lindsey	FEI
	Shivana Gentry	SAMH		Andrew Barden	FEI
x	Ed De Cardenas	SAMH		Rodney Pritchard	Knight Software
	Nathan McPherson	OITS		Josh Botbol	Let's Talk Counseling
	Mark Grant	OITS		Arthur Cooksey	Let's Talk Interactive
	Victor Gaines	OITS		Jason Lee	Let's Talk Interactive
x	Wen Cao	OITS		Jennifer Ramirez	LSF
	Mike Idoni	BHCPNS	x	Ryan Lavender	Netsmart
	Beau Frierson	BHCPNS		Andy Mead	Netsmart
x	Sharyn Dodrill	Carisk		Roderick Harris	NWFHN (BBCBC)
x	Diego Wartensleben	Carisk		Lisa Tajdari	NWFHN (BBCBC)
x	Larry Brown	CFBHN		Roderick Harris	NWFHN (BBCBC)
	Joseph Glidden	CFBHN		Seana Zagar	Qualifacts
x	Joanne Szocinski	CFBHN		Matt Lightner	Streamline
	Nydia Neris	CFBHN		Katie Morrow	Streamline
x	Mike Lupton	CFCHS	x	Johnny Guimaraes	Thriving Mind (SFBHN)
	Tom Rose	CFCHS	x	Debbie Stephenson	Five Points
	William Garcia	CFCHS		Bryan Micu	
	Steve Lord	Circles of Care	x	Dan Field	
	Lori Nicolosi		x	Chris Jones	

X – Attended in person

R – Attended remotely

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Agenda and Discussion Summary

#	Topic	Comments
1	Review Action Items	<p>(Reference THIS spreadsheet)</p> <p><i>Nathan opened the meeting with a brief review of the agenda and current open issues. He then turned to the action items. He reported that a meeting was held with Beau. Rich provided a brief summation that the issues brought up are already addressed which Beau and company accepted. Nathan then reported that a review of the request to relax validation rules on the POMS and PACs. He then turned to Diego's issue of FARS and CFARS. Diego said his concern was satisfied. Sharyn then spoke up regarding the FARS and CFARS guidance for the next FY. She said DCF needs to settle upon a single position because the differences between the financial unit and data unit are an issue of consistency from DCF. She said the guidance documents need to match with the efforts currently being undertaken. Diego then spoke up and said in his opinion FASAMS is not doing away with the assessments but rather trying to relocate it. Sharyn acknowledged but emphasized that it still isn't clear regarding comparison between guidance document and current programming in FASAMS. Nathan said DCF would investigate this issue and will report back on it at the next JAD. He then brought up Mike Lupton's concern regarding modifiers and that DCF is continuing efforts to resolve. Rich asked for a summation of the issue. Mike said in the Care Coordination Guidance Document to include modifiers in field 2 but there is no field 2 in FASAMS. He referenced Guidance Doc 4 that said modifier 2 is to be used. Rich and Nathan said they would investigate. Discussion ensued between Rich and Joe regarding the reporting of care coordination. Rich said he doesn't want eight different ways to enter this data and that per his perspective there are only two fields available for use: OCA and CS. Rich said he understood Joe's concern and would investigate.</i></p>
2	Review Plans for Submission of Historical Data	<p>Plans for Submission of Historical Data</p> <p><i>Nathan then turned to this area and asked for updates. Estimated completion dates were reviewed – any changes to be noted in table below. Jesse reported that the PROD purges have not happened yet as FEI is requiring guidance from DCF. He reported there are a couple more matters that need to be resolved before the historical data can be purged. Joe reported an issue that his data upload is being bounced as FASAMS is saying the data is already in the system. He reported different attempts to get it in and then he submitted a Helpdesk ticket this morning. Jesse asked for the ticket to be forwarded to him so he could investigate.</i></p>

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		Submitting Entity	Plan Description	Estimated Completion
		SFBHN	Will convert all historical data into v14 and request a wipe of v13 data from FEI	4/30/21
		LSF	Will convert all historical data into v14 and request a wipe of v13 data from FEI	4/30/21
		CFCHS (Five Points supported)	Will request a purge of V13 and will resubmit V13	4/9/21
		CFBHN	Will request a purge of V13 and will resubmit V13	2/28/21 3/5/21 3/26/21
		NWF Health (formerly BBCBC) (Five Points supported)	Will request a purge of V13 and will resubmit V13	4/9/21
		BBHC (Carisk supported)	Will convert all historical data into v14 and request a wipe of v13 data from FEI	Complete
		SEFBHN (Carisk supported)	Will convert all historical data into v14 and request a wipe of v13 data from FEI	Complete
3	Open Issues	<p>1. DCF's review of valid OCA combinations DCF staff have drafted a reorganized version Pamphlet 155-2, Appendix 1, Table 7 (OCA Codes) as discussed in previous meetings. Update: Members of the DAC were provided with a draft on 4/2/2021 for review.</p> <p><i>Nathan then moved to this open issue. He reported the revised document had been distributed and he opened the floor for discussion. Sharyn asked if this change would be in both versions. Tracey spoke up and confirmed that the OCA tables would be changed in both versions. Tracey clarified that the only change is the sequestration into Active, Carry Forward and Historical. Sharyn spoke up saying she had a couple questions. He reported current plans are to publish by the end of the week. Sharyn brought up her concern that program areas 5 & 6 have been removed. Rich reported that co-occurring are being removed because the services have to belong to a</i></p>		

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specific service component either mental health or sub abuse. Tracey spoke up and said later down the road they will make these changes to the OCA tables once FEI has completed their work. She reported that what was being said makes sense. She then asked about expiration dates on the historical OCAs. Tracey said she could follow up to get the exact expiration dates and that Jimmers would have to review each OCA to provide that data. Rich agreed with Sharyn's concern that Historical OCAs need an expiration date so there is no confusion in the field over the designations. Nathan said an action item would be created and assigned to Tracey.

2. DCF's review of valid HCPCS codes

DCF staff have developed a strategy and plan to update the list of HCPCS codes accepted in FASAMS.

- Begin with what's in v12
- Collect updates from Steve Lord regarding codes in use today by providers
- Create a consolidated list
- Review with HQ staff
- Review with DAC
- Plan implementation

Nathan then turned to this. He reported that the decision made is to eliminate the current validations and create a single rule requiring a HCPCS with the CS – whatever HCPCS the providers use will be allowed into FASAMS. He reported that this has been submitted as an enhancement and current plans are to put this into FASAMS this summer hopefully. He clarified that current list of enhancements is already determined so it depends upon whether there is the ability to put this change in at that time.

3. Reporting Provider Readiness

DCF needs help from our Managing Entities to assess and report the readiness of each of our service providers to submit FASAMS data in v14 format after 7/1/2021.

Feedback from the last DAC meeting was used to improve the data collection template and draft the weekly report required by Secretary Harris. These drafts are being reviewed by DCF staff.

Nathan then turned to this item. He reported that a spreadsheet would be distributed shortly for the information Secretary Harris has requested.

4. ME Access to FASAMS Base Tables

Update: On 4/2/2021, DCF met with the users provided this access. These users were provided with credentials and instructions to connect to the base tables in the UAT environment. Access to the PROD environment will be granted to these users within the next week.

Nathan then turned to this topic and gave a brief review of the issue. He said as best he understood the issues were resolved. He asked Jesse to confirm. Jesse confirmed the majority are resolved but CFBHN still has an issue that is

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	<p><i>technical in nature and FEI is working it and he requested Larry submit a ticket.</i></p> <p>5. Credible' s Request to Disable a PAC validation Danielle Downing has requested that FASAMS turn off validations on the POM against the Program Area Code in the Treatment Episode. Credible submits Year-to-Date each month and will run into a problem with these validations. Some organizations have made the decision not use co-occurring admissions until the PAC can be moved into the POM record; but, Credible' s system is dependent on the use of this admission type.</p> <p><i>Nathan then turned to this topic. He said discussion would be withheld until Danielle is able to make the next JAD. He recommended this item be held over till the next JAD. Steve said he had a call scheduled with Danielle tomorrow. He requested a summary of the discussions for his meeting with her tomorrow. Nathan summarized that turning the scope of rules off that it becomes a significant data corruption issue. Sharyn asked for clarification that DCF does not project this problem as a serious issue. She disagreed and said DCF is not taking into account the number of co-occurring clients is significantly greater than they seem to realize. Rich reviewed that this issue is only a small fraction of the overall population. Steve said 70% of their clients are co-occurring and that in the past the label of co-occurring wasn't as present, so those clients were entered as MH or SA but are receiving both services as they are experiencing a co-occurring disorder. He said the solution to this problem is to not fix it. General discussion ensued regarding the labeling/identifying clients as co-occurring and how to handles admissions with the POMs and program area. Nathan identified that due to the complexity of the issue, it would be a structural change that would need to happen in v15. Joanne asked for confirmation that these errors would not be held against the MEs. Nathan spoke up and said more information is needed to come to a solution on this problem. Sharyn said this issue is significant enough that it needs to be addressed in v14 not hanging out there waiting for a solution in v15. Nathan then wrapped up the discussion by identifying that the solution isn't going to happen quickly, and further discussion will be had at the next JAD.</i></p> <p>6. Recent "Unexpected Error" reported by Five Points *NEW* Debbie Stephenson encountered an "Unexpected Error" while submitting data. FEI has completed troubleshooting and they are testing the resolution. Expect tis to be deployed as a hot fix within the next week.</p> <p><i>Nathan then turned to this topic. He reported that Debbie had experienced a number of challenging errors. He reported that he has asked Jesse to provide the group an update. Jesse said FEI found the issue and its essentially a time out issue with flush and resubmission and they found the fix that will go in the 2022.04.1 hotfix which should eliminate the errors happening. In the meantime, the current work around is to re-submit because the issue is with the timeout function in FASAMS. He said the fix should be made very soon, in the meantime, just resubmit the file.</i></p> <p><i>Nathan then wrapped up the meeting. No further comments or questions. Meeting ended 1058</i></p>
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