

# Behavioral Health Integration: An Update

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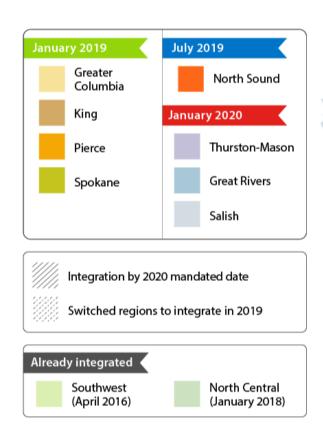
# 2014: Initial Legislative Direction

#### Substitute Senate Bill (SSB) 6312 passed in 2014

- Changed how the State purchases mental health and substance use disorder services in the Medicaid program
- Directed the State to fully integrate the financing and delivery of physical health, mental health and substance use disorder services in the Medicaid program via managed care by 2020
- ➤ Directed the State to integrate mental health and substance use disorder services through Behavioral Health Organizations (BHOS) as an interim step to 2020
- Created a pathway for regions to fully integrate early, starting in April 2016



### Update on implementation dates







# Managed Care Organizations per region

Managed care region	Amerigroup	Community Health Plan	Coordinated Care	Molina Healthcare	United Healthcare
As of January 2019					
Greater Columbia					
King		•	•	•	
North Central					
Pierce	•		•	•	•
Spokane	•	•		•	
Southwest					
As of July 2019					
North Sound			•		
Coming January 2020					
Thurston-Mason					
Great Rivers					•
Salish					



#### MCO Mental health services

- Intake evaluation
- Individual treatment services
- Medication management
- Medication monitoring
- Crisis services
- Group treatment services
- Peer support
- Brief intervention and treatment
- Family treatment
- High-intensity treatment

- Therapeutic psychoeducation
- Day support
- Evaluation and treatment/community hospitalization
- Stabilization services
- Rehabilitation case management
- Residential services
- Evaluations for special populations
- Psychological assessment



#### MCO Substance use disorder services

- Assessment
- Brief intervention and referral to treatment
- Withdrawal management (detoxification)
- Outpatient treatment
- Intensive outpatient treatment
- Residential treatment
- Opiate substitution treatment services
- Case management



#### BH-ASO Population-based services

- Provide crisis services to all individuals, regardless of insurance
  - Crisis line
  - ► Face-to-face crisis intervention services
- Administer Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA)
  - Conduct ITA investigations
  - ▶ Write ITA petitions and detain individuals when indicated
  - ► Monitor compliance with less restrictive treatment services
  - Coordinate necessary services include due process



#### Behavioral health services for AI/AN

- American Indians and Alaska Natives may choose their coverage for behavioral health services
  - ► Fee-for-service
  - Integrated managed care (in regions that have integrated physical and behavioral health care for Apple Health clients)
  - See website
    - https://www.hca.wa.gov/health-care-services-supports/behavioral-health-recovery/american-indians-and-alaska-natives



#### Monitoring IMC in Real Time

- Rapid response calls
  - ► Daily check-ins with each region as it implements IMC
  - ► Includes providers, MCOs, BH-ASO
- Early warning system
  - ► Begins one month after implementation
  - Statewide indicators used to detect signs of implementation challenges
  - Providers, MCOs, and BH-ASOs provide rapid problem-solving
  - ► Will continue for six months



#### Measuring impact of integrated managed care

- The legislative intent (RCW 71.24.015)
  - Behavioral Health programs should focus on resilience and recovery; practices should be evidence-based, research-based, or promising practices;
  - People with lived experience should be at the center of design and implementation of behavioral health services;
  - Accountability should rely on outcome and performance measures;
  - Services should be coordinated across the system.
  - Other principles in the law: early identification of mental illness; least restrictive alternatives to institutional care; administrative simplification; integrated service provision.



#### Early Adopter Region Successes

- Research and Data Analysis compared findings in SWWA to the rest of the state from implementation of IMC through CY 2017
  - ► Eleven indicators show favorable change at the 95% confidence level, e.g.:
    - Substance Use Disorder Treatment Penetration
    - Mental Health Treatment Penetration Broad Definition
    - > Follow-up after ED Visit for AOD Dependence-Within 7 and 30 Days
    - > Follow-up after ED Visit for Mental Illness Within 7 and 30 Days
    - > Inpatient Utilization per 1000 Coverage Months Combined Medical and Psychiatric
    - > Percent Employed
  - ► Two indicators show favorable change at the 90% confidence level:
    - ➤ Plan All-Cause 30-Day Readmission
    - > Percent Arrested
  - Only two indicators show unfavorable change (95% confidence level)



#### Resources:

- Contact the team at HCA MC Programs:
  - hcamcprograms@hca.wa.gov
- New postings on Regional Resources page for IMC at
  - https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/healthier-washington/regional-resources





# Questions?

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