San Andreas Regional Center Targeted Case Management and Nursing Home Reform Monitoring Review Report

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) conducted a federal compliance monitoring review of the Targeted Case Management (TCM) and Nursing Home Reform (NHR) programs from October 8 - 12, 2012, at San Andreas Regional Center (SARC). The monitoring team selected 50 consumer records for the TCM review. A sample of ten records was selected for consumers who had previously been referred to SARC for a NHR assessment.

Purpose of the Review

Case management services for regional center consumers with developmental disabilities were added as a medical benefit to the Medi-Cal State Plan in 1986 under Title XIX of the Social Security Act. TCM services are those "... services which will assist individuals in gaining access to needed medical, social, educational, and other services." DDS implemented the TCM program statewide on July 1, 1988.

The NHR Pre-Admission Screening/Resident Review (PAS/RR) program involves determining whether an individual in a nursing facility with suspected developmental disabilities is developmentally disabled and requires specialized services.

Overview of the TCM/NHR Compliance Monitoring Protocol

The review criteria for the TCM and NHR programs are derived from federal and state statutes and regulations and the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services guidelines relating to the provision of these services.

Findings

Section I – Targeted Case Management

Fifty consumer records, containing 3,491 billed units, were reviewed for three criteria. The sample records were 100% in compliance for criterion 1 (TCM service and unit documentation matches the information transmitted to DDS), 94% in compliance for criterion 2 (TCM service documentation is consistent with the definition of TCM service), and 100% in compliance for criterion 3 (TCM service documentation identifies the individual who wrote the note and the date the note was completed).

Section II – Nursing Home Reform

Ten consumer records were reviewed for three criteria. The ten sample records were 100% in compliance for all three criteria.

SECTION I TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT

Criterion

1. The Targeted Case Management (TCM) service and unit documentation matches information transmitted to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS).

<u>Finding</u>

SARC transmitted 3,491 TCM units to DDS for the fifty sample consumers. All of the recorded units matched the number of units reported to DDS.

Recommendation

None.

2. The TCM service documentation billed to DDS is consistent with the definition of TCM service.

Allowable TCM units are based on services which assist consumers to gain access to needed social, educational, medical or other services and include the following components: 1) assessment and periodic reassessment to determine service needs; 2) development and periodic revision of an individual program plan (IPP) based on the information collected through the assessment or reassessment; 3) monitoring and follow-up activities, including activities and contacts that are necessary to ensure that the IPP is effectively implemented and adequately addresses the needs of the consumer; and 4) referral and related activities to help the consumer obtain needed services. However, it is important to note that TCM does not include the direct provision of these needed services.

Finding

The sample of fifty consumer records contained 3,491 billed TCM units. Of this total, 3,268 (94%) of the units contained descriptions that were consistent with the definition of TCM services. Two hundred twenty-three of the billed units had descriptions of activities that were either not consistent with the definition of TCM services, did not support the amount of time claimed or were duplicative entries.

Recommendation	Regional Center Plan/Response
SARC should ensure that the time spent on the identified activities that are inconsistent with TCM claimable services (sent separately) is reversed.	 (1) SARC has reversed the TCM Units. This applies to all entries. (2) SARC has developed a "Title 19 User Guide" which has been distributed to staff. (3) Managers to facilitate TCM trainings.

3. The TCM documentation identifies the service coordinator recording the notes and each note is dated.

Finding

The TCM documentation in the fifty sample consumer records identified the case manager and the date the service was completed.

Recommendation

None

SECTION II NURSING HOME REFORM

Criterion

1. There is evidence of dispositions for the Department of Developmental Services' (DDS) Nursing Home Reform (NHR) referrals.

<u>Finding</u>

The ten sample consumer records contained a copy of the Pre-Admission Screening/Resident Review (PAS/RR) Level I form, or NHR automated printout.

Recommendation

None

The disposition is reported to DDS.

<u>Finding</u>

The ten sample consumer records contained a PAS/RR Level II document or written documentation responding to DDS' request for a disposition.

Recommendation

None

3. The regional center submitted a claim for the referral disposition.

Finding

The billing information for the ten sample consumers had been entered into the AS 400 computer system.

Recommendation

None

SAMPLE CONSUMERS TCM Review

#	UCI	#	UCI
1	XXXXXXX	26	XXXXXXX
2	XXXXXXX	27	XXXXXXX
3	XXXXXXX	28	XXXXXXX
4	XXXXXXX	29	XXXXXXX
5	XXXXXXX	30	XXXXXXX
6	XXXXXXX	31	XXXXXXX
7	XXXXXX	32	XXXXXXX
8	XXXXXX	33	XXXXXXX
9	XXXXXX	34	XXXXXXX
10	XXXXXX	35	XXXXXXX
11	XXXXXXX	36	XXXXXXX
12	XXXXXXX	37	XXXXXXX
13	XXXXXXX	38	XXXXXXX
14	XXXXXXX	39	XXXXXXX
15	XXXXXXX	40	XXXXXXX
16	XXXXXXX	41	XXXXXXX
17	XXXXXXX	42	XXXXXXX
18	XXXXXXX	43	XXXXXXX
19	XXXXXXX	44	XXXXXXX
20	XXXXXXX	45	XXXXXXX
21	XXXXXXX	46	XXXXXXX
22	XXXXXXX	47	XXXXXXX
23	XXXXXXX	48	XXXXXXX
24	XXXXXXX	49	XXXXXXX
25	XXXXXXX	50	XXXXXXX

NHR Review

#	UCI
1	XXXXXXX
2	XXXXXXX
3	XXXXXXX
4	XXXXXXX
5	XXXXXXX
6	XXXXXXX
7	XXXXXXX
8	XXXXXXX
9	XXXXXXX
10	XXXXXXX

ATTACHMENT I

TCM DISTRIBUTION OF FINDINGS

CRITERION PERFORMANCE INDICATOR Sample Size: 50 Records Billed Units Reviewed:	# OF OCCURRENCES			% OF OCCURRENCES	
billed Units Reviewed:	YES	NO	NA	YES	NO
The TCM service and unit documentation matches the information transmitted to DDS.	3,491	0		100	0
The TCM service documentation billed to DDS is consistent with the definition of TCM service.	3,268	223		94	6
The TCM documentation identifies the service coordinator recording the notes and each note is dated	3,491	0		100	0

NHR DISTRIBUTION OF FINDINGS

CRITERION PERFORMANCE INDICATOR Sample Size: 10 Records	# OF OCCURRENCES			% OF OCCURRENCES	
	YES	NO	NA	YES	NO
 There is evidence of dispositions for DDS NHR referrals. 	10			100	
2. Dispositions are reported to DDS.	10			100	
3. The regional center submits claims for referral dispositions.	10			100	