HAP Opioid Learning Action Network

May 29, 2019
Agenda

9:00 a.m.  1.   Introduction
9:05 a.m.  2.   Background
9:10 a.m.  3.   Learning Action Network (LAN) Overview, Goals, and Infrastructure
9:25 a.m.  4.   Participant Commitment
9:30 a.m.  5.   Key Dates
9:35 a.m.  6.   Questions
Introduction

• During 2017, Pennsylvania coroners and medical examiners reported 5,456 drug-related overdose deaths (ruled accidental or undetermined)—almost 15 deaths per day

• Between 2015 and 2017, there was a 65 percent increase in the number of drug-related overdose deaths in Pennsylvania

Source: Overdose Free PA_05/28/2019
Background

Department of Human Services (DHS) Hospital Quality Incentive Program (HQIP)

• In 2018, DHS introduced a new opioid measure that adds an additional $30 million during calendar year 2018 and $35 million during subsequent years to the HQIP funds

• The new measure contains two components:
  - **Component #1—“Process” Incentive:** Implementation of defined clinical pathways (Year 1)
  - **Component #2—“Outcome” Incentive:** Modified Healthcare Effectiveness Data Information Set (HEDIS) specification of follow-up within seven days for opioid treatment after a visit to the emergency department (ED) for opioid use disorder (OUD) (Year 2)
Background

### 1. “Process” Incentive—Implementation of defined clinical pathways

- **$30 million**
- Payments made July 2019
- Health systems may implement all or any of the following four clinical pathways:
  - ED initiation of buprenorphine with warm hand-off to the community
  - Direct warm hand-off to the community for medication-assisted treatment (MAT) or abstinence-based treatment
  - Specialized program to treat pregnant women with MAT
  - Direct inpatient admission pathway for methadone or observation for buprenorphine induction

### 2. “Outcome” Incentive—Modified HEDIS specification of follow-up within seven days for opioid treatment after a visit to the ED for OUD

- **$35 million**
- The payout structure will be similar to preventable admissions HQIP. Incentive payments will be made during 2020
- Opportunity to earn benchmark and incremental improvement incentives using 2018 as a base year and 2019 as the first year to earn a performance incentive
**Background**

**Preliminary Attestation Results**

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For additional information about the HQIP Program:
- Reference the DHS website at [www.dhs.pa.gov/provider/hospitalassessmentinitiative](http://www.dhs.pa.gov/provider/hospitalassessmentinitiative)
- Specific questions about the program should be directed to DHS at RA-PWPQUALINCEN@pa.gov
Late last year, Bloomberg Philanthropies announced plans to award $50 million in grants across several states to combat opioid addiction. Pennsylvania was selected as the first state to participate in the initiative and awarded $10 million. Bloomberg Philanthropies partnered with Vital Strategies to be the initiative’s lead partner in Pennsylvania. Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health chosen to evaluate this initiative. PA College of Emergency Physicians to play an advisory role.
LAN Overview

What is the LAN?

• A two-year learning collaborative designed to increase the number of patients entering evidence-based treatment for OUD and prevent overdose deaths

• Open to all HAP hospitals. No cost for participation—fully funded by Bloomberg Philanthropies and administered through Vital Strategies

Whether your organization is getting started in the fight against overdose deaths, or already has initiatives in place, HAP’s Opioid LAN collaborative will accelerate your progress to improved outcomes.
LAN Goals

**YEAR 1 GOALS: Implementing effective emergency department pathways**

The LAN will focus on the following statewide aims:
- Increasing MAT initiation in the emergency department and warm hand-offs to MAT in the community
- Increasing direct warm hand-offs to community providers for MAT or abstinence-based treatment
- Increasing evidence-based OUD treatment and warm hands-offs for pregnant women
- Increasing the number of direct inpatient admission for MAT initiation from the ED, and MAT initiation of OUD patients hospitalized, overall

**YEAR 2 GOALS: Moving outside the hospital walls/improving practice at other clinical entry points and sustaining ED-initiated momentum**

The LAN will build momentum from year one improvements and expand focus to the following objectives:
- Increasing warm hand-offs in primary care settings
- Increasing access to MAT in primary care settings
- Quantifying reimbursement gaps and financial shortfalls
- Developing recommendations on meaningful reimbursement/funding structures
LAN Infrastructure

- Annual in-person meetings
- Regional gatherings with facilitated information sharing
- Webinars and other distance learning technologies
- Collaborative website, metrics, and performance tracking
- Office hours and virtual small group discussions with clinical/administrative champions and technical experts
LAN Participant Commitment

Opioid LAN participants must commit to the following:

• Assessing performance processes related to connecting patients to treatment for opioid addiction
• Participating in educational conferences, webinars, and networking and coaching calls with peers across the commonwealth
• Identifying and designating a core team to support your participation
• Committing adequate time and resources for the team to actively participate in project improvement work to generate rapid and sustainable results
• Sharing lessons learned, tools, and promising practices with other participating LAN hospitals
• Collecting and submitting OUD-related process and outcome measures
Next Steps

• Sign up to participate this week
  https://HHAP.informz.net/HHAP/pages/Opioid_LAN_Campaign

• Save the date: In-person kick-off meeting
  **Tuesday, August 20, 2019**
  Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey Hotel
  4650 Lindle Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111
Questions?