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To: Coordinated Care Organizations

From: Dave Inbody, CCO Operations Manager

Subject: Preparing for FFY 2021 Drug Utilization Review survey

This communication is regarding the annual Drug Utilization Review (DUR) survey from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). A preliminary (but final) DUR survey for federal fiscal year 2021 (October 1, 2020, through September 30, 2021) was released by CMS today, April 1. Any entity with a coordinated care organization (CCO) contract with the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) for any period of time in federal fiscal year 2021 is required to complete this survey.

CMS notified states that the final fillable versions of the surveys will not be available until the middle of April. OHA will send a separate communication to CCOs when it is released. CCOs are required to submit their completed surveys to OHA by June 1, 2022.

Why is this happening?

Starting federal fiscal year 2018, 42 CFR §438.3(s) requires each state Medicaid program to:

- Ensure its contracted Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) operate DUR programs that comply with §1927(g) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR 456, subpart K; and
- Require its MCOs to provide a detailed description of their DUR activities on an annual basis. This "detailed description" is provided through the annual DUR survey from CMS.

Each state is responsible for sending the survey to its MCOs for completion. Each state is then responsible for uploading its MCOs' responses to a secure CMS portal by June 30, 2022.

What should you do?

In anticipation of release of the final 2021 survey, OHA requests the following from each CCO:

- Identify one or more primary contact persons for all future OHA communications related to the 2021 DUR survey.
- Provide OHA with name and email address of each designated contact person by email to CCO.MCOCODeliverableReports@dhsoha.state.or.us no later than **Friday, April 8, 2022**, at 5 PM PDT.
- Review the [informational copy](#) of the 2021 DUR survey and make internal preparations to ensure timely submission.
- Ensure the designated contact person/s monitors their email for notice from OHA of release of the final survey. OHA will notify CCOs about the final survey as soon as possible.

Questions?

If you have questions, please email Deborah ("Dee") Weston, Pharmacy Programs Policy Advisor, at deborah.g.weston@dhsoha.state.or.us.

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