# CASE MANAGEMENT UPDATES

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# Goals of Hope and Opportunities in Many Environments (HOME)



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Supporting fair access to services

Using high quality services that are shown to help people

Building effective systems that work together

# Changes to Case Management



Standardize Training



Implement Case
Management
Ratios

# Standardized Training



# Changes to Case Management Training

- Development of Case Management Certification
- Development of Case Management Refresher
- ► Expected Outcomes
  - Improve the consistency of quality case management
  - Ensure all case managers have fundamental knowledge, skills, and abilities to perform their job



### Key Competencies Identified

#### Case managers must develop familiarity with and understanding of:

- Roles and responsibilities of case managers
- Medicaid processes and covered services
- Community-based services and resources
- ▶ lowa's HCBS waivers
- lowa's consumer directed options
- Sub-population specific needs, challenges, and resources
- ▶ Transition-specific resources for people moving from facilities to the community

- Procedures to transition members between providers and service settings
- Steps involved when a child transitions to adult services
- ► Federal and state documentation requirements, including for care plans
- Mandatory reporting requirements
- ► Ethical considerations for working with vulnerable populations
- ▶ Procedures to escalate issues to HHS
- ► ADA and Olmstead requirements, including community integrated philosophy

#### Key Competencies Identified Continued

#### Case managers must learn and practice:

- Person-centered practices, including person-centered care planning and implementation
- ▶ Basic counseling, including trauma informed care, cultural competency, and motivational interviewing
- Building and maintaining relationships between members and their care teams
- Building and maintaining relationships with service providers
- Assessing provider quality and access
- ► Advocating for members

- ▶ De-escalating conflicts
- Crisis prevention, planning, and response.
- ► Completing critical incident reports
- ► Prioritizing competing demands
- ► Identifying appropriate and effective services
- ► Helping members to connect to needed services and supports
- Coordinating care with clinical care teams
- Conducting environmental assessments

#### Key Competencies Identified Continued

#### Case managers must be able to:

- ► Be professional at all times
- ▶ Be accountable and responsive to members and their care teams
- ▶ Be reliable and follow through on agreed upon actions
- ▶ Set and maintain boundaries with members
- ▶ Create work-life balance
- ► Maintain their safety in the field

# Case Management Certification

- ► Required within the first 6 months of hire date
- ► Topics of modules:
  - Medicaid
  - Working with Individuals Utilizing Waiver
  - Technical Skills and Compliance
  - Transitions Between Settings
  - Dealing with Emergencies
  - Sub-population Specific Knowledge

# Case Management Refresher

- ► Required annually
- ► Review of specific content within the modules:
  - Adopting a Trauma-Informed Lens
  - Person-Centered Planning
  - Service Documentation and Service Monitoring
  - Incident Reporting
  - Crisis Planning and Response
  - Facility Diversion

# Case Management Ratios



# Goals and Drivers of Implementing Ratios

- Promote relationship building
- ► Increase overall time case managers spend with individuals
- ► Align with Waiver Redesign priorities



#### Case Management Ratios Implementation

- ► Managed Care Organizations are expected to maintain a 1 to 45 statewide average case load by 1/1/2025.
- ► Increased face to face expectations for specific sub-populations and new members.
- ► Robust reporting to increase oversight of case management activities and outcomes.



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