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1115 Waiver (SUD) Evaluation Quarterly Report (DY8 Q1)

This report contains a summary of activity on the 1115 Waiver (SUD) Evaluation project from January 2025 – March 2025.

Project Activities

During the period defined in this report, Tulane continued regular monthly meetings with its entire research team and quarterly meetings with LDH to ensure consistent project coordination. The research team continued their work on the three sub-analyses: Cost, Quantitative, and Qualitative.

January

- The quarterly meeting with LDH was scheduled for January 14th. The following topics were discussed:
 - Work plan development for the Midpoint Assessment
 - Update to metric 27 for the Final Evaluation Design
- The January meeting of the Tulane research team was held on January 15th. The following topics were discussed:
 - Annual IRB renewal report.
 - Review of the work plan for the Mid-Point Assessment report.
 - Discussion on actions for qualitative analyses.

February

- The February meeting of the Tulane research team was held on February 5th. The following topics were discussed:
 - Incorporating the T-MSIS data into the quantitative analyses.
 - Continued progress on securing interviews for qualitative analyses
- Submitted the Annual Evaluation Update Report – DY7 (Jan – Dec 2024) to LDH on February 27th.
- Received an update from LDH on February 28th that proposed changes to Monitoring Metric #27 were approved and did not require a revision to the Evaluation Design.

March

- The Tulane team received feedback from CMS on the Summative Evaluation Report on March 19th and began work to address issues that were raised.
- The March meeting of the Tulane research team was held on March 5th. The following topics

were discussed:

- Addressing feedback from CMS on the Summative Evaluation Report.
- Data elements and additional information needed from LDH to complete the Midpoint Assessment.
- Continued discussion of application materials to be provided to RESDAC to facilitate access to the T-MSIS data.

Status of analysis by topic – March 31st, 2025

Quantitative Analyses (Lead Researcher: Dr. Kevin Callison): The Quantitative Analyses through 2023 were completed for all metrics. The team is preparing the upcoming Baseline DY7 Quantitative Report.

Cost Analyses Report (Lead Researcher: Dr. Charles Stoecker): The Cost Analyses through 2023 have been completed. The team is preparing the upcoming Baseline DY7 Cost Analyses Report.

Care Coordination (Lead researcher: Dr. Janna Wisniewski): The Care Coordination Analyses through 2023 have been completed and results will be presented in the Baseline DY7 Qualitative Results Report.

DELIVERABLE STATUS

Quarterly and Annual Reports: Quarterly reports have been submitted on deadline and have summarized the evaluation feedback process with LDH and CMS. This is the first quarterly report being submitted for DY8. The next quarterly report for DY8Q2 is due on July 31st.

Data reports: The Year 7 Baseline reports are due on September 30th and the Draft STC 8.7 Mid-Point Assessment report is due on December 31st.

USE OF FUNDS

Funds have been used for this project to cover faculty and staff time to coordinate activity within Tulane and with LDH and to develop reports and associated deliverables.

Respectfully submitted,



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