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AMOUNT, DURATION, AND SCOPE OF MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE CATEGORICALLY NEEDY

29. Integrated Care Models

Vermont Medicaid Shared Savings Program (VMSSP)

A. Providers

Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) are organizations of healthcare and social service providers. ACOs must include primary care providers who provide primary care case management services under authority of §1905(t) of the Social Security Act, which includes location, coordination and monitoring of health care services. Pursuant to section 1905(t)(2)(A) - (B) of the Act, an ACO must be, employ, or contract with a physician, a physician group practice, or an entity employing or having other arrangements with physicians to provide such services. The ACO provides services in the following specialty areas: internal medicine, general medicine, geriatric medicine, family medicine, pediatrics, and naturopathic medicine.

B. Service Descriptions

ACOs are under contract to share savings gained on the total cost of care (TCOC) for defined services. Services included in the TCOC for year ~~two~~ three include: inpatient hospital, outpatient hospital, physician (primary care and specialty), nurse practitioner, physical and occupational therapy, mental health facility and clinic, ambulatory surgery center, federally qualified health center, rural health center, chiropractor, podiatrist, psychologist, optometrist, optician, independent laboratory, home health, hospice, prosthetic/orthotics, medical supplies, durable medical equipment, emergency transportation, dialysis facility.

Performance year three may include an expanded TCOC. A full list of services will be posted on the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) website in advance of the beginning of the performance year, and can be found at: http://dvha.vermont.gov/administration/totalcostofcare.pdf

ACOs must be under contract with the State and have demonstrated through the procurement process that:

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