

R95 Workgroup Meeting

March 5, 2025

Substance Abuse Prevention and Control Bureau Los Angeles County Department of Public Health



Agenda

- 3:30 pm Welcome & Updates Maria Elena Chavez
- 3:40 pm Service Design for Lower Barrier Care Jorge Ortega
 - -Follow-Up Implementation Process Improvement [2-G]
 - -Implementation/Investment Plan [2-I]
- 4:10 pm Admission and Discharge Policies Isa Weiss
 - -R95 Staff Training Verification [2-F]
- 4:25 pm Bidirectional Referrals for Lower Barrier Care Isa Weiss
 - -Treatment Agency Staff Participation in Harm Reduction Trainings [2-J]
 - Verified Submissions [2-K]
- 4:40 pm Q&A and Provider Agency Discussion
- 4:55 pm Next Steps
- 5:00 pm Adjourn

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Reaching the 95% Resources

For more information, call the **R95 Consultation Line** (626) 210-0648 or email SAPC-R95@ph.lacounty.gov

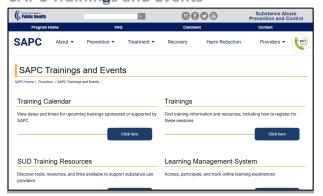
R95 website



SAPC Payment Reform



SAPC Trainings and Events





Payment Reform: Value-Driven Capacity Building Service Design: Follow-Up Implementation Process Improvement (2-G) Implementation/Investment Plan (2-I)

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Payment Reform: Value-Driven Capacity Building Service Design Portfolio (2-G) & (2-I)

Purpose:

To support providers in adapting and applying organizational processes (i.e. service design) that align with efforts to better engage and offer services to a wider range of individuals who want to access, participate and complete treatment by lowering organizational barriers to care.

The What	The Why and How	Start-Up/Deliverable
2-G Process Improvement	Operationalize FY 23-24 Service Design Implementation goals through use of evidence-based process improvement strategies and application of Plan, Do, Study, Act (PDSA).	One per treatment agency. Tier 1 - \$15,000 Tier 2 - \$20,000 Tier 3 - \$25,000.
Implementation Plan Follow-Up	Deliverable : Complete and submit the Service Design Change	*Invoice required for deliverable based submissions.
2-I Implementation /Investment Plan	This is designed to allow providers to outline the investments and service design changes your agency commits to implementing following the customer walk-through and/or improvements you identified, through patient and staff input.	One per identified agency Site Tier 1 - \$5,000 Tier 2 - \$7,500 Tier 3- \$10,000 *Invoice required for
	Deliverable : Completed and submit the Implementation/	deliverable based submissions.



Payment Reform: Value-Driven Capacity Building Service Design Change Project Plan Template (2-G)

*Available to agencies with Approved Year 1 Service Design Implementation Plan

Using Process Improvement to successfully complete activities in your Implementation Plan [2-G]

What changes have been made to increase access and engagement for individuals who want to access, participate in, and complete treatment?

- How have you modified existing workflows that lower barriers to services?
- How have you implemented R95 changes to policies, procedures, and protocols?
- How have you created a safe and welcoming spaces in the physical environment

Participation in Change Leader Academy - a 4-month process improvement collaborative



ACCESS TO CARE: SERVICE DESIGN

Implementation Follow-Up Process Improvement (2G)

Providers will have an opportunity to engage in a LEARN-DO-SHARE approach where providers learn new concepts, collaboratively practice what they learned, and develop performance improvement projects that will help to reach the SMART goals outlined in the FY 23-24 Implementation Plan.

Change Leader Academy Components	Description	Dates
Provider Training/Workshop		
Change Leader Academy Orientation	During this one-hour orientation, providers will identify how the CLA can help to accomplish the activities outlined in the Implementation Plan.	10/4/24 11am-12noon
CLA Two-Day Workshop (in person)	This two-day intensive will help to build the necessary acumen to achieve the SMART goals.	10/29 & 10/30 11/4 & 11/5 9AM – 4PM
Monthly Coaching Calls (attend three out of four)	Collaborative coaching to help move providers toward completing the CLA steps	Nov. 2024 – Feb. 2025
Provider Deliverables		
a. Provider Presentation of Activities	Providers will conduct a presentation on their project	March 2025
b. Progress Report	Submission of the	3/31/25
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Payment Reform: Value-Driven Capacity Building Service Design Change Project Plan Template (2-G)

STEPS FOR COMPLETING THE TEMPLATE

Review the Packet: Read pages 1–4 thoroughly before starting.

Submit: Complete and submit the form to SAPC by **March 31, 2025.**



Base your change project on 5 Questions

- 1. What is it like to be our customer?
- 2. What are we trying to accomplish?
- 3. How will we know if the change is an improvement?
- 4. What changes can we test that may result in an improvement?
- 5. How can we sustain the improvement?



Five Key Principles – of the NIATx Model

- Understand and involve the customer
- 2. Fix key problems that keep the CEO awake at night
- 3. Pick a powerful change leader
- 4. Get ideas from outside the organization or field
- Use rapid-cycle testing to establish effective changes



Remember

Whatever is created or invented must be grounded in what your customers will value and what people can deliver.

Principle #1

Understand and involve the customer and

Involve the people delivering the service to plan and pilot changes.





Executive Sponsor

Has the authority to allocate the resources for the project Sees the change/improvement as a priority Identifies the problem and articulates the vision

Responsibilities:

- ✓ Chooses the change leader
- √ Works with Change Leader to identify who will be on the change team
- ✓ Invites staff to be on the team
- ✓ Removes barriers and allocates resources
- ✓ Allows/Empowers the team to make changes



Change Leader

- Person who feels passionately about the change
- Able to influence others at all levels of the organization
- Ability to instill optimism; sees the big-picture; focused and goal-oriented
- A good sense of humor

Responsibilities:

- Serves as a catalyst to develop ideas
- Successful communicator: facilitates change team meetings, is consistent, concise (data), creative, engaging (incentives), and a skilled listener
- Minimizes resistance to change
- Keeps the Executive Sponsor updated on change team activities



Change Team members

Front line workers and supervisors in unit where changes will be implemented

- Other employees impacted by the change
- People with special knowledge about the change such as Customers, family members, experts from outside the organization, IT staff.....

Responsibilities:

- Identify possible changes that could meet the objective
- Decide how to implement the change
- Create and conduct rapid-cycle pilot tests until goal is achieved
- Study results to see if the change should be adopted, adapted or abandoned



1. CHANGE PROJECT TITLE	
What are you trying to accomplish and what AIM will the Change Project address? Write a brief summary	
Using the SMART Goal format write your PIP Aim Statement, include baseline data and the target goal. Examples: see below	Reduce/Increase(choose one)by (% or #) from(baseline)to(goal) by (completion date)
LOCATION (specify if you have more than one/include address)	
5. START DATE and expected COMPLETION DATE	Start End
6. LEVEL OF CARE or SERVICE if applicable	
 What CUSTOMER POPULATION are you trying to help, e.g., customers in a specific program, age group, demographic, language etc.? 	
8. EXECUTIVE SPONSOR	Name: Title:
	E-Mail



Service Design Change Project Charter

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9. CHANGE LEADER	Name:	Telephone number:
Include mail address and telephone number	E-mail address:	
10. CHANGE TEAM MEMBERS/ROLE on the team (Scribe, Data collection,	1. 2.	
etc.)	3.	
	4.	
	5.	
11. How will you COLLECT DATA to measure the impact of change? Who will collect it?		
What is the expected IMPACT of this change project? Increase revenue or productivity, decrease expenses, improve communication, improve staff morale. How will the Executive Sponsor know?		



List any milestones you need to achieve before executing your PDSA cycles.

Milestone	Person	Due Date	Completion Date
	Responsible		
Collect baseline data			
Schedule Change Meetings and add to the calendar			



Service Design Change Project Charter

Rapid Cycle #:

Cycle Begin Date:

What is the idea/change to be tested?

P PLAN: What steps are you specifically making to test this idea/change? Who is responsible? How it will get done?

D DO: What steps did you implement? Document any problems and unexpected observations from the PLAN.

S STUDY: What were the results? How do they compare with baseline measure?

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DISCOVERING AND PRIORITIZING FOCUS AREAS

- ✓ Customer Walk-through or
- ✓ Other patient feedback methodology

If you did not complete a walk-through, provide a detailed description of how your agency identified improvement areas based on the perspectives of your customers/patients.

Patient Advisory Group
Focus Group
Feedback forms
Surveys
Patient interviews

Resource

Customer Walk-Through (2-H) Guide, Summary Deliverable (pages 17-22)



FOCUS -- Increase Access And Engagement by:

- Lowering barriers to SUD care
- Attracting and better serving the R95 population
- Improving existing services



UNDERSTANDING THE CUSTOMER/PATIENT EXPERIENCE

Customer Experience in healthcare is how a patient perceives their interactions with a provider, it encompasses every step from first contact to discharge and referrals throughout the continuum.



BENEFITS OF A POSITIVE EXPERIENCE

Improving access
Improving retention
Optimizes the agency workflows
Improves staff satisfaction
Enhances the agency reputation
Reduces waste and saves money

Serving more people! Patients are thriving!



STEPS FOR COMPLETING THE TEMPLATE

Start with a **TEAM review** of your customer walk-through or patient feedback.

Engage your Exec. leadership and staff to identify priorities and brainstorm ideas.





STEPS FOR COMPLETING THE TEMPLATE

Review the Packet: Read pages 1–9 thoroughly before starting. *Example on page 7-9*

Submit: Complete and submit the form (pages 2-5) to SAPC by March 31, 2025.



b.	What was the staff's overall impression of the walkthrough or client feedback?		
c.	What key problems do executive leadership want to address? Please describe it in detail. (see the		
	example scenario above for reference)		
d.	Describe how the patient and staff feedback informed your proposed design changes.		



PROVIDE DETAILS

- A. Provide a clear summary of what the project aims to achieve.
- B. Describe why this focus area was selected.
- C.)Identify key participants:
 - Internal stakeholders: Project sponsor, service staff, operations staff.
 - External stakeholders: Customers, referral sources, community partners
- D) Provide information on action steps, the person (or role) responsible, and completion date.
- E. Key Performance Indicators: Define how success will be measured:
 - Quantitative Metrics: Customer satisfaction scores, service response time, wait time, admissions...
 - Qualitative Metrics: Customer feedback themes, staff feedback.
- F. Risks and Constraints: List potential risks or constraints that might impact goals, explain how your agency will address them.
- G. Provide a detailed description of how you will sustain the improvement.



PROVIDE DETAILS

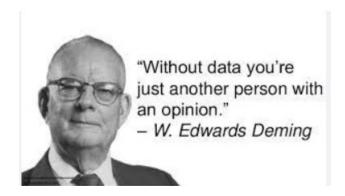
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D. Action Steps	Person Responsible	Completion Date
How much detail is required?		



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From **Data to Diagnosis to Delivery:**Al in Precision Medicine by Atul Butte,
MD, PhD



Focus Area 2: Lowering Barriers to Care Update Admission & Discharge Policies Staff Training Verification (2-F)



Verify that you trained at least 85% of staff with direct patient contact using your approved R95 Admission/Discharge Training Presentation

Ensuring Access to Treatment for All Seeking Care Admission and Discharge Policy

INSERT AGENCY NAME

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONTROL



Deliverable A - Attestation

R95 Training Attestation Form - Complete for Each Training Session

Agency Name:	Training Date:
Training (Location Address) and/or (Meeting Link):	
Name of Trainer:	Signature of Trainer:

*By signing this form, the trainer verifies that all trainings (virtual or in person) were conducted using agency SAPC approved R95 Training Presentation, and the information provide below is complete and accurate.

Staff Name (First & Last)		Email	Position	Training Attended (Yes/No)	Participant Signature (For In-Person Only)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

Deliverable B - Verification

R95 Staff Training Verification Summary

INSTRUCTIONS

- Conduct R95 Trainings for staff using your agency's SAPC-approved R95 Training Presentation.
- At the conclusion of each training, complete a R95 Staff Training Attestation Form with training and attended details
- Complete this R95 Staff Training Verification Summary after all trainings have been conducted
 and submit with copies of each completed R95 Staff Training Attestation Form attached.

Note: No fewer than 85% of staff who have direct patient contact must participate in an R95 Training between 7/1/2024 and the 3/31/2025 for your agency to be eligible for this capacity building payment.

Agency Name:				
Total Number of Staff with Direct Patient Contact* <u>Employed</u> (across all sites):				
*For the purpose of this activity, "staff with direct patient contact" includes all personnel who interact with patients during the admission, treatment, and discharge processes including clerical staff, drivers, Peer Support Services Specialists, registered or certified counselors, Licensed Practitioners of the Healing Arts (LPHA) and license-eligible LPHAs, etc.				
Total Number of Staff with Direct Patient Contact <u>Trained</u> Using Approved R95 Training:				
*Complete second page with details for each training conducted				
By signing below, I verify that all trainings were conducted using a SAPC-approved R95 Training Presentation and the information above is complete and accurate.				
Agency Leadership Representative Name (Printed):				
Agency Leadership Representative Title:				
signature:				
Data				

Deliverable B Continued - Verification

Complete one row for each R95 Training conducted and attach the corresponding R95 Training Attestation forms.

Training Date	Name(s) of Trainer(s)	Training Location (include address or indicate virtual)	Total Number of Practitioner Staff Trained

^{*}Add additional pages, if necessary



Focus Area 2: Lowering Barriers to Care Bidirectional Referrals Between Harm Reduction & Treatment Programs (2-J, 2-K)



Capacity Building Activity 2-J: Treatment Agency Staff Participation in Harm Reduction Trainings



Capacity Building Activity 2-J

ATTESTATION OF HARM REDUCTION TRAINING PROTOCOLS FOR STAFF

Complete and return this form via an email titled "Attestation 2-J: Staff Participation in Harm Reduction Trainings" sent to sapc-cbi@ph.lacounty.gov by 3/31/2025.

ATTESTATION OF COMPLIANCE:

Please confirm which of the qualifying harm reduction trainings agency staff with direct patient contact* in the provision of SAPC-contracted services have completed as part of the Treatment Agency Staff Participation in Harm Reduction Trainings Capacity Building Activity (2-J) and indicate the number of staff who attended each type of training. If a staff member participated in more than one harm reduction training, please include them in the count for only one of the training types.

*For the purpose of this activity, "staff with direct patient contact" includes all personnel who interact with patients during the admission, treatment, and discharge processes including clerical staff, drivers, cooks, Peer Support Services Specialists, registered or certified counselors, Licensed Practitioners of the Healing Arts (LPHA) and license-eligible LPHAs, etc.



Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc / Clare|Matrix Training

- Staff attended live harm reduction trainings conducted by your assigned training agency partner (Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc or Clare|Matrix)
 - Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc contact: <u>odhrta@tarzanatc.org</u>
 - Clare|Matrix contact: <u>odtraining@clarematrix.org</u>
- For clarification on your assigned training agency partner, contact SAPC at: <u>SAPC-CBI@ph.lacounty.gov</u>

Number of Staff Trained _____

SAPC CST Trainings

- Staff attended one of the following SAPC CST Trainings:
 - Reimagining Harm Reduction in Substance Use Treatment
 - Utilizing Naloxone and Other Harm Reduction Strategies for Substance Use Treatment Providers
- Note: Any forthcoming CST trainings with a harm reduction-focus launched by SAPC will be considered qualified trainings
- The SAPC CST calendar can be accessed http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/cal/index.cfm?unit=s
 apc&proq=pho&ou=ph&cal_id=24

Number of Staff Trained



SAPC Harm Reduction and Treatment Integration Meeting

 Staff attended one of the following R95 Harm Reduction and Treatment Integration Meetings:

Date	Location	Address	Time
10/08/2024	House of Hope	205 W. 9 th Street, San Pedro, CA 90731	9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
12/05/2024	(Revised Location) Behavioral Health Services	15519 Crenshaw Blvd., Gardena, CA 90249	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
02/03/2025	The California Endowment Center for Healthy Communities	1000 North Alameda Street Los Angeles, CA 90012	2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
04/07/2025	Helpline Youth Counseling	14181 Telegraph Rd, Whittier, CA 90604	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Number of Staff Trained _____



- Please indicate which training(s) your staff have participated in using the table below.
- To obtain approval of a harm reduction training, please contact SAPC at: <u>SAPC-CBI@ph.lacounty.gov</u>
- If the number of "Other SAPC-Approved Harm Reduction Trainings" exceeds the space provided, please attach an additional page with the corresponding details.

Name of Training	Location (address or virtual)	Date	Time	Approved by SAPC (yes/no)

Number of Staff Trained



VERIFICATION SUMMARY:

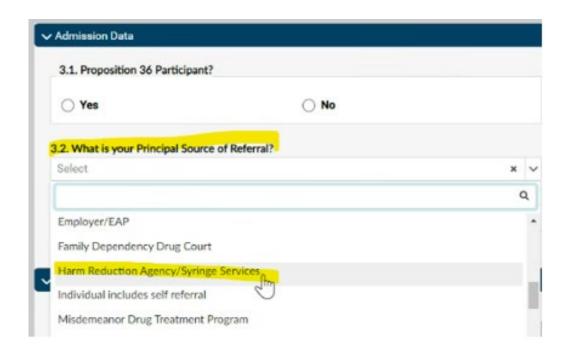
Total Number of Staff with Direct Patient Contact Employed (across all sites):
Total Number of Staff with Direct Patient Contact Who Attended No Less Than One of th Harm Reduction Trainings Listed Above:
Note: No fewer than 85% of staff who have direct patient contact must participate in an qualifying harm reduction training between 7/1/2024 and the 3/31/2025 for your agency to be eligible for this capacity building payment.
Having conducted a good faith review, I attest that
Agency Leadership Representative Name (Printed):
Agency Leadership Representative Title:
Signature:
Date:



Capacity Building Activity 2-K: Verified Admissions



CalOMS Principal Source of Referral Item 3.2



Data Quality Report (DQR) for CBI



Attribute	Sep-24	Agency YTD
Certified SUD Counselor	35	N/A
Registered SUD Counselor	31	N/A
Total Registered and Certified Counselor	66	N/A
% of Certified Counselors	53.03%	N/A
Total LPHAs	22	N/A
Total Counselors	66	N/A
Target Ratio	Mot	N/Δ
Number of Verified Admissions	0	0
Total # of MAT among Patients with OUD	6	12
Total # of Patients with OUD served	125	281
% Qualifying for 3A Incentive	4.80%	4.27%
Total # of MAT among Patients with AUD	0	0
Total # of Patients with AUD served	352	673
% Qualifying for 3B Incentive	0.00%	0.00%
Total # of Patients Received Naloxone Services	31	57
Total # of Patients Served	593	1141
% Qualifying for 3C Incentive	5.23%	5.00%
# of Referrals Admitted to a different LOC	44	219
# of Total Discharges	244	963
% of Qualifying for 4B Incentive	18.03%	22.74%
Total # of Qualifying Records	330	1109
Total # of Admissions and Discharges	625	2089
% of Qualifying for 5A Incentive	52.80%	53.09%
	Certified SUD Counselor Registered SUD Counselor Total Registered and Certified Counselor % of Certified Counselors Total LPHAs Total Counselors Target Ratio Number of Verified Admissions Total # of MAT among Patients with OUD Total # of Patients with OUD served % Qualifying for 3A Incentive Total # of Patients with AUD served % Qualifying for 3B Incentive Total # of Patients Received Naloxone Services Total # of Patients Served % Qualifying for 3C Incentive # of Referrals Admitted to a different LOC # of Total Discharges % of Qualifying for 4B Incentive Total # of Qualifying Records Total # of Admissions and Discharges	Certified SUD Counselor Registered SUD Counselor 31 Total Registered and Certified Counselor 66 % of Certified Counselors 53.03% Total LPHAs 22 Total Counselors 66 Met Number of Verified Admissions 0 Total # of MAT among Patients with OUD Total # of Patients with OUD served 4.80% Total # of MAT among Patients with AUD Total # of Patients with AUD served 352 % Qualifying for 3B Incentive 0.00% Total # of Patients Received Naloxone Services Total # of Patients Served 9% Qualifying for 3C Incentive 5.23% # of Referrals Admitted to a different LOC # of Total Discharges 9% of Qualifying for 4B Incentive 18.03% Total # of Qualifying Records Total # of Qualifying Records Total # of Admissions and Discharges 625

**No need to submit DQR – SAPC will verify internally and send you invoice with approved number of units for final signature





Discussion

Visit RecoverLA.org on your smart phone or tablet to learn more about SUD services and resources, including a mobile-friendly version of the provider directory and an easy way to connect to our Substance Abuse Service Helpline at 1-844-804-7500!



For More Information

R95 Webpage: http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/sapc/public/reaching-the-95.htm?hl

R95 Capacity Building: http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/sapc/providers/payment-reform/access-to-care.htm

LA Times Article: https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2024-04-23/how-la-county-is-trying-to-change-addiction-treatment