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Department Of Mental Health, Melissa Bailey, Commissioner

Medicaid Pathway 2016 Report Overview

Act 113, Section 11 and Section 12

Medicaid Pathway came about for several reasons:

- AHS in partnership with Vermont Care Partners applied for the Certified Community Behavioral Health Center (CCBHC) grant, was awarded grant but declined because funding request was cut in half.
- The need to reform service delivery and payment in order to more effectively and efficiently use funding
- The successes of Integrating Family Services and recognizing while a successful pilot corrections to the design and a more fully developed implementation made more sense.
- And later in the trajectory of this work, the All Payer Model (APM) and the expectation to align or integrate mental health, substance use and long term services with the other health care services and implementation of APM.

The Medicaid Pathway and these reports are a collaboration effort between Vermont Care Partners and the Agency of Human Services and its departments with additional collaboration with the Green Mountain Care Board. This effort included a focus on mental health, developmental disabilities and substance use services as well as long term services. There were two different groups established to work on the model of care, service delivery and payment reform.

This work coincided with the ongoing work on improving and streamlining the Designated Agencies and Specialized Service Agencies Master Grant.

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