Rule No. 560-X-64-.19 Readiness Assessment Requirements

(1) Only organization(s) that has/have been granted probationary certification as an integrated care network who have submitted responses to the Mandated Competitive Procurement (MCP) and been selected by the Medicaid Agency for readiness assessment (the “organization”) will be subject to a readiness assessment period before it may begin providing services to enrollees.

The Integrated Care Network (ICN) shall be subject to a readiness assessment period before it may begin providing services to enrollees.

(2) During the readiness assessment period, the organization must demonstrate readiness to satisfy requirements of the Medicaid Agency. As specified in the areas set forth below and as may otherwise be required by the MCP and Section 22-6-220, et seq. of the Alabama Code and rules promulgated thereunder:

(a) Demonstrate the existence of an adequate long-term care and medical service delivery network on or before the date established by the Agency.

(b) Demonstrate compliance with the solvency and financial requirements for an integrated care network on or before the date established by the Agency.

(c) Demonstrate ability to provide services pursuant to the MCP on or before the date established by the Agency, including development and readiness to operate:
   (i) Key Staffing
   (ii) Governance
   (iii) Provider Services and Materials
   (iv) Network Adequacy
   (v) Solvency and Audit
   (vi) Financial
   (vii) Care Coordination
   (viii) Quality Management
   (ix) Grievance and Appeals
   (x) Requirements Related to Enrollees
   (xi) Administrative Support
   (xii) Technical Infrastructure
   (xiii) Utilization Management
   (xiv) Compliance and Oversight
   (xv) Other Requirements as requested by the Medicaid Agency pursuant to the MCP and subsequent readiness documents.

(3) The Medicaid Agency will provide a readiness assessment tool detailing the requirements necessary to demonstrate the organization’s readiness to fulfill the obligations of the MCP. The Medicaid Agency will conduct a readiness review which will include desk and onsite reviews of information submitted by the organization.

(4) All requested documentation, information and/or demonstrations must be submitted or conducted as specified by the Medicaid Agency. The Medicaid Agency may require additional documentation or updates to submissions throughout the readiness assessment period.
(5) The organizationICN shall produce or provide timely, convenient, and free access at reasonable business hours at the offices office(s) of the organizationICN to all books, records, accounts, papers, documents, and electronic and other recordings in its possession or control relating to the matter related to the readiness assessment, including as applicable the property, assets, business and affairs of the organizationICN.

(6) The organizationICN shall make private office space available to the Medicaid Agency and/or its designee for the duration of any onsite review without cost to the Medicaid Agency and/or its designee.

(7) Only the organization(s) that after an ICN has/have demonstrated, in the Medicaid Agency’s sole discretion, readiness to may it begin providing services pursuant to the MCP may be offered a risk contract with the State to enrollees.

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