

2021 Meeting Schedule Set for SUD 1115 Waiver Stakeholder Advisory Committee

The Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) announce the meeting schedule (below) for their SUD 1115¹ Waiver Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) for calendar year 2021. The 28-member committee was formed in December 2019 to assist ODM and OhioMHAS in the implementation of Ohio's waiver authorized by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

The SAC advises the directors and staff of OhioMHAS and ODM on the implementation of six milestones identified in Ohio's approved SUD 1115 waiver:

1. Coverage of SUD Services across ASAM Continuum from Outpatient Services to Inpatient Hospitalization and Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
2. Assure Evidence-Based, SUD-Specific Placement Criteria
3. Use Nationally Recognized SUD Program Standards to set SUD Residential Provider Qualifications
4. Assure Provider Network Capacity for American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Levels of Care and MAT
5. Implement Treatment and Prevention for Opioid Abuse and Disorders
6. Improve Care Coordination and Transitions Between Levels of Care

Chaired by ODM Director Maureen Corcoran and OhioMHAS Director Lori Criss, the committee reflects the diversity of Ohio SUD stakeholders including a variety of SUD treatment providers, consumer advocates, County Boards of Behavioral Health, Medicaid managed care plans, and trade associations representing Ohio's behavioral health community. Members represent their broader interest groups, not just their individual agency or organization. Meetings of the Advisory Committee are open to the public via webinar simulcasts of committee meetings. Detailed information about Ohio's SUD 1115¹ waiver as well as the SAC meeting schedule, registration, meeting minutes, and webinar recordings are posted at BH.Medicaid.Ohio.Gov.

The meeting schedule for 2021 is as follows. Please register for the 2021 meetings at the following link:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/2454628234498996236>

Date	Time
Monday February 8, 2021	10-12pm
Monday April 5, 2021	10-12pm
Friday June 11, 2021	1-3pm
Monday August 9, 2021	10-12pm
Monday October 4, 2021	1-3pm
Monday December 13, 2021	10-12pm

¹ Ohio's waiver is authorized under Section 1115 of the Federal Social Security Act and is focused on Medicaid funded treatment of substance use disorders, hence the moniker "SUD 1115."