Managed Care Operations Memorandum Technology Assessment Group MCOPS Memo # 06/2021-005

Date: February 26, 2021

Subject: Technology Assessment Group (TAG) Coverage Decisions

To: Physical Health HealthChoices Managed Care Organizations (PH-MCOs) –

Statewide

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Assistance Programs

Purpose:

To provide MCOs coverage updates on new technologies as discussed in regular Technology Assessment Group (TAG) meetings.

Background:

The TAG workgroup meets quarterly on the 1st Wednesday of February, May, August and November to discuss issues and evidence-based research pertaining to new technologies and previously reviewed technologies or services that were determined to be covered only through a program exception request. During the TAG meeting, decisions are made as to whether or not certain technologies or services will be covered under the MA Program and the option under which it will be covered. TAG's coverage options are as follows:

- Option # 1: Indicates service, device, or procedure will be added to the MA Program Fee Schedule because of well-established medical evidence.
 - MCOs or FFS may require prior authorization.
- Option # 2: Indicates service, device, or procedure is medically effective and safe
 under specific clinical circumstances. Medical evidence is available
 from small or medium-sized well-designed clinical trials or emerging
 in large clinical trials. MCOs and FFS will require the submission of a
 Program Exception request.
- Option # 3: Indicates service, device, or procedure may be medically effective under specific but very narrow clinical circumstances for a small number of patients. Medical evidence is limited but promising or not available in large clinical trials. MCOs and FFS will require the submission of a Program Exception request.

 Option # 4: Indicates service, device, or procedure has no proven clinical utility, there is no credible medical evidence, or is experimental/ investigational. MCOs will require the submission of a Program Exception request.

Discussion:

Below is the updated list of codes/descriptions discussed at the February 26, 2021, TAG Meeting and the decisions that were made:

HCPCS/CPT	Description	Decision
Code		
reSET &	Digital therapy platform used to increase	Re-reviewed at this meeting.
reSET-O	engagement with individuals struggling with	Option #3
	addiction treatment, Substance Use Disorder	
	(SUD) or Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)	

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Next Steps:
N/A
Obsolete:
N/A
Attachment:
N/A