Aging and Disability Business Institute Pre-Conference

Pathways Forward in Measuring and Paying for SDOH Needs and Services

Tuesday, March 29

AAAs know that health happens at home, and they play a critical role in meeting the health-related social needs of older adults and their families. But addressing the social determinants of health requires community-driven solutions with cross-sector partnerships between the health care system and AAAs. To achieve success, major initiatives are underway to leverage technology, identify value-based outcomes and build data standards and codes that may lead to payment for social care services targeting health-related social needs. Come to this pre-conference intensive to learn about and discuss how policy, advocacy, assessment, measurement and technology are shaping new opportunities and challenges in building responsive integrated care systems and improving health outcomes.

8:00-8:30 am: Breakfast and networking

8:30-8:45 am: Welcome

8:45-10:15 am: Setting the Stage: Policy Pathways for SDOH Referrals and Payment

Addressing the social determinants of health can lead to improved outcomes and health equity when it comes to person-centered, value-based care. Services AAAs coordinate and deliver are at the heart of that effort. In this session, we’ll discuss how referral systems between health care entities and social care organizations are evolving, including a significant initiative that is building standardized diagnostic codes to help track and eventually create a pathway for payment of social care services addressing the health-related social needs of older adults and family caregivers.

Panelists: Kelly Cronin, Deputy Administrator, Center for Innovation and Partnership, Administration for Community Living

Dora Hughes, Chief Medical Officer, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Brian Handspicker, Chief Technology Officer, Open City Labs

Abigail Morgan, Chief Operating Officer, Direction Home Akron Canton Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities
10:30-12:00: The Evolution of Assessment and Quality Measurement: Measuring SDOH Needs and Responses

This session will explore how the health care and long-term services and supports systems are responding to these new policy and payment opportunities through screening, assessment and quality measurement. Join us as we discuss what health plans care most about when it comes to meeting their members’ SDOH needs, and how AAAs are operationalizing and delivering value to payors and consumers through health care contracts.

Panelists: Rachel Harrington, Research Scientist, National Committee for Quality Assurance
          Kimberly Smathers, Managing Director, ATI Advisory
          Jennifer Raymond, Chief Strategy Officer, AgeSpan

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