

About the Collaborative

In 2005, through Ohio's SFY 2006-2007 budget bill, the Ohio state legislature mandated that ODJFS expand its Medicaid Managed Care Program statewide. As part of this expansion, most fee-for-service Medicaid consumers became Medicaid managed care consumers.

To facilitate the successful transition of Medicaid consumers with behavioral health needs into the Medicaid Managed Care Program, ODJFS established the Ohio Behavioral Health and Managed Care Collaborative (originally the Care Management Collaborative for Behavioral Health Services). This group, comprised of providers, advocates, state Medicaid agencies, and trade/professional associations, meets regularly to identify and resolve issues and problems impacting the coordination of care for Medicaid managed care members with behavioral health needs.

Mission

The Ohio Behavioral Health and Managed Care Collaborative works to identify and resolve issues and problems impacting the appropriateness, timeliness, and/or quality of care coordination services delivered to Medicaid managed care members who have behavioral health care needs and/or receive care from public behavioral health systems.

Direction and Focus

The Ohio Behavioral Health and Managed Care Collaborative is dedicated to:

- Identifying implementation issues/problems impacting the coordination of care for Medicaid managed care members who have behavioral health care needs and/or receive care from public behavioral health systems;
- Identifying potential solutions, strategies, and avenues to resolve these issues/problems;
- Working on or engaging in solutions, strategies and avenues; and
- Focusing on tangible issues, actions and deliverables.