County of San Diego – Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA)

Behavioral Health Services (BHS) – Information Notice





То:	BHS Contracted Service Providers and County-Operated Programs
From:	Behavioral Health Services
Date:	April 1, 2025
Title	Discontinuation of CADRE and CCISC Requirements

This information notice contains guidance on the continuance of service structures to ensure the needs of individuals with co-occurring conditions are met upon the discontinuation of the Comprehensive, Continuous, Integrated System of Care (CCISC) model and Change Agents Developing Recovery Excellence (CADRE).

Background

Beginning in the early 2000's, through collaboration with Behavioral Health Services and County contracted providers, the CCISC model was adopted to address the needs of individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders, recognizing the high treatment costs, poor outcomes, and significant disparities in life expectancy for this population. The CADRE initiative, developed more than 20 years ago, has helped programs increase their capacity to address the co-occurring needs of the individuals they serve. The CCISC model and principles have become well-established within BHS and CADRE has achieved its original objectives. San Diego has been highlighted as an example of change and progress across the state.

The Department of Health Care Services Behavioral Health Transformation strengthens requirements for all programs to address the needs of individuals with co-occurring conditions. Training on co-occurring treatment is now available through many avenues, including required CalAIM training, American Society of Addiction Medicine, and various Continuing Education opportunities.

Effective upon date of this memo:

- Discontinue CADRE training requirements. Programs are expected to provide appropriate training to address co-occurring needs within their program and in alignment with Statement of Work.
- Discontinue CADRE Quarterly and subcommittee meetings.
- Discontinue Annual CCISC report and related assessments.

Additional planned actions:

- BHS to revise Provider Handbook language to remove CADRE and CCISC requirements.
- BHS to update Statements of Work to remove CADRE and CCISC requirements.
- BHS to review existing structures to ensure the needs of individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders continue to be met.

Service and Contract Questions

Inquiries about contracted services and operations should be directed to the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

For More Information:

Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR)

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