

Behavioral Health Integration Incentive Program Project Selection Criteria

Selection Criteria

The below table includes point values assigned to various sections or components of the BHI application. **Not every section of the application is scored. However, for the application to be considered in the review process, all sections must be complete. Applications missing information will not be considered.**

| Application Section | Number of Points |
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| <i>3.1(d) Narrative overview of project (Total points = 40)</i> | |
| Description of importance to Medi-Cal beneficiaries to be served by the provider | 10 |
| Description of the project design, practice redesign components, organizational capacity, leadership and sustainability | 15 |
| Description of the approach for implementing the project, including a plan of action (implementation steps) | 15 |
| <i>3.1(e) Project Year 1 narrative, milestones, and funding amount (Total points = 20)</i> | |
| Narrative description of activities and accomplishments that will occur to achieve the goals of the project, and flat funding amount requested | 10 |
| List of milestones with accomplishment and date, including a description of how achievement of the milestones will support implementation and collection of the selected measures | 10 |
| <i>3.2(f) Project Year 2 narrative and milestone list with associated funding amounts (Total points = 20)</i> | |
| Narrative description of specific practice redesign components and tasks | 10 |
| List of milestones with accomplishment, date, and funding amount, including a description of how achievement of the milestones will support implementation and collection of the selected measures | 10 |
| <i>3.1(g) Project Year 3 narrative and milestone list with associated funding amounts (Total points = 20)</i> | |
| Narrative description of specific practice redesign components and tasks | 10 |
| List of milestones with accomplishment, date, and funding amount, including a description of how achievement of the milestones will support implementation and collection of the selected measures | 10 |
| Application Total Points | 100 |

Evaluation

Managed care plans will utilize the following scoring grid to assign points for each section of the application. The score for each provider application will be provided to DHCS along with the plan's recommendations for project awards. Prior to making final selection for BHI project awards, DHCS will review the provider application and the MCP's score of each application to ensure the scoring criteria is applied consistently across all provider applications. **Managed care plans will not recommend approval of BHI project applications that score below 70% (inadequate).**

| Interpretation | General Basis for Point Assignment | Percent Range of Points |
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| Inadequate | Applicant does not include a response and/or supporting information for the requirement(s) or does not commit to meeting the BHI program requirement(s). | 0–69% of available points for the section |
| Adequate | Response and/or supporting information meets the basic BHI program requirement(s) and demonstrates an understanding of, and the ability and intent to, meet the requirement(s). There may be omission(s), flaw(s), and/or defect(s), but they are inconsequential and acceptable. | 70–85% of available points for the section |
| More than Adequate | Response and/or supporting information demonstrates a thorough, detailed, and complete understanding of the requirement(s); provides evidence of the current ability to comply; and/or provides detailed plans or methodologies to further assure compliance with the requirement(s). | 86–100% of available points for the section |

Scoring

The following questions will be considered by managed care plans to determine the adequacy of the respective application section and point value awarded.

| 3.1(d) Narrative overview of project (40 points) |
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| 1. Did the applicant adequately describe the target population and rationale for the BHI project? |
| 2. Did the applicant describe the project design, practice redesign components and organizational capacity, leadership, and sustainability at a level of detail demonstrating applicant's understanding and readiness for the project? |
| 3. Did the applicant describe the implementation approach, including a detailed plan of action? |

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| 3.1(e) Project Year 1 narrative, milestones, and funding amount (20 points) |
| 1. Does the response include a narrative description regarding implementation activities for Project Year 1? |
| 2. Does the response include a funding amount requested, with detailed rationale, for Project Year 1? |
| 3. Does the response include a list of milestones to be accomplished in Project Year 1, including dates of completion, reporting plan, and how reported data will demonstrate milestone achievement? |
| 3.2(f) Project Year 2 narrative and milestone list with associated funding amounts (20 points) |
| 1. Does the response include a narrative description regarding practice redesign components/tasks for Project Year 2? |
| 2. Does the response include a list of milestones and associated completion dates to be accomplished in Project Year 2 including a reporting plan and explanation of how reported data will demonstrate milestone achievement? |
| 3. Does the response include a funding amount requested for each milestone, including a rationale for specific costs related to achieving the milestones? |
| 3.1(g) Project Year 3 narrative and milestone list with associated funding amounts (20 points) |
| 1. Does the response include a narrative description regarding practice redesign components/tasks for Project Year 3? |
| 2. Does the response include a list of milestones and associated completion dates to be accomplished in Project Year, including a reporting plan and explanation of how reported data will demonstrate milestone achievement? |
| 3. Does the response include a funding amount requested for each milestone, including a rationale for specific costs related to achieving the milestones? |