

Use Case: MDOA Access to CRS Pre/Post Reports

Overview

The Maryland Department of Aging (MDOA) funds local aging programs through Community for Life (CFL) grants. The goal of CFL is to delay, or prevent altogether, issues that require individuals to move to high-cost settings such as nursing homes by providing core support services at home. Consequently, the program protects the resources of older adults, allows these individuals to enjoy more years of independence, allows them to pass on their assets to their children rather than spending down, and greatly reduces the cost of Medicaid to the State. CFL assistance is tailored to help older adults with the predictable problems associated with aging. In order to provide these services, MDOA partners with non-profit organizations with experience serving older adults to provide the CFL services. The non-profits operate the CFLs within a defined geographic area, typically county or city-wide. MDOA and CFL providers would like to evaluate the effect of the program on enrollee's health and wellbeing. One outcomes measure for the program is decreased hospitalizations. Providing MDOA access to CRISP Pre and Post reports will allow them to evaluate the hospitalization costs for a group of consented enrollees pre CFL interventions and post CFL interventions.

Permitted Purpose Category

For a Public Purpose, as permitted or required by Applicable Law and consistent with the mission of the HIE to advance the health and wellness of patients in the CRISP service area (Permitted Purpose #2).

Use Case Description

Local CFL programs enroll individuals in the programs and will educate them about CRISP. Enrollees who consent to have their CRISP data used for evaluation purposes will be included on a panel which will be uploaded to CRISP CRS. The CFL program will access CRS pre/post reports for patients who have consented. Each CFL program will export their program report and share it with the MDOA program evaluator. CFL providers, MDOA, and evaluator will have access only to aggregate information available in the CRS pre/post reports. CRISP will not provide specialized reports for this project. CRISP and MDOA will execute a data sharing and access agreement outlining how the reports can be used and shared and what access will be available to CFL programs. MDOA will take responsibility for CFL program usage of CRS reports.

Opt-Out Applicability

Any patient that opts-out of CRISP will <u>not</u> have their data included in data provided for this use case.



Eligible Participants

Only CFL programs that MDOA has indicated are grantees will have access for this project. In addition, reports will be shared with MDOA and the grant evaluator.

Patient Impact Statement

Because the pre/post reports are aggregate only, there is limited risk to patient privacy. Any privacy risk is further mitigated because patients must consent to have their information used for evaluation purpose. In addition, patients will be educated about CRISP and provided links to the website for more information including how to opt-out. The benefit to patients, especially older adults who want to age in place could be significant if the program is shown to be effective and as a result is expanded to provide supports to more individuals.

Approval

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