
**Medicaid Section 1115 Substance Use Disorder Demonstrations
Monitoring Report Template**

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1. Title page for the state's substance use disorder (SUD) demonstration or the SUD component of the broader demonstration

The title page is a brief form that the state completed as part of its monitoring protocol. The title page will be populated with the information from the state's approved monitoring protocol. The state should complete the remaining two rows. Definitions for certain rows are below the table.

State	Kentucky
Demonstration name	KY HEALTH
Approval period for section 1115 demonstration	<p>Automatically populated with the current approval period for the section 1115 demonstration as listed in the current special terms and conditions (STC), including the start date and end date (MM/DD/YYYY – MM/DD/YYYY).</p> <p>Start Date: 01/12/2018 End Date: 09/30/2023</p>
SUD demonstration start date^a	<p>Automatically populated with the start date for the section 1115 SUD demonstration or SUD component if part of a broader demonstration (MM/DD/YYYY).</p> <p>01/12/2018</p>
Implementation date of SUD demonstration, if different from SUD demonstration start date^b	<p>Automatically populated with the SUD demonstration implementation date (MM/DD/YYYY).</p> <p>07/01/2019</p>
SUD (or if broader demonstration, then SUD - related) demonstration goals and objectives	<p>Automatically populated with the summary of the SUD (or if broader demonstration, then SUD- related) demonstration goals and objectives.</p> <p>Effective upon CMS approval of the SUD Implementation Protocol, as described in STC</p>
SUD demonstration year and quarter	<p>Enter the SUD demonstration year and quarter associated with this monitoring report (e.g., SUD DY1Q3 monitoring report). This should align with the reporting schedule in the state's approved monitoring protocol.</p> <p>SUD DY 5 Q 2</p>
Reporting period	<p>Enter calendar dates for the current reporting period (i.e., for the quarter or year) (MM/DD/YYYY – MM/DD/YYYY). This should align with the reporting schedule in the state's approved monitoring protocol.</p> <p>Start Date: 10/01/2023 End Date: 12/31/2023</p>

^a **SUD demonstration start date:** For monitoring purposes, CMS defines the start date of the demonstration as the *effective date* listed in the state's STCs at time of SUD demonstration approval. For example, if the state's STCs at the time of SUD demonstration approval note that the SUD demonstration is effective January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2025, the state should consider January 1, 2020 to be the start date of the SUD demonstration. Note that the effective date is considered to be the first day the state may begin its SUD demonstration. In many cases, the effective date is distinct from the approval date of a demonstration; that is, in certain cases, CMS may approve a section 1115 demonstration with an effective date that is in the future. For example, CMS may approve an extension request on December 15, 2020, with an effective date of January 1, 2021 for the new demonstration period. In many cases, the effective date also differs from the date a state begins implementing its demonstration.

^b **Implementation date of SUD demonstration:** The date the state began claiming or will begin claiming federal financial participation for services provided to individuals in institutions for mental disease.

2. Executive summary

The executive summary should be reported in the fillable box below. It is intended for summary-level information only. The recommended word count is 500 words or less.

Enter the executive summary text here.

DY5Q2 Summary:

KY Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) received a temporary extension through 9/30/24 to the state's Section 1115 Demonstration. KY continues to work CMS to determine next steps to implementation during the extension period and any needed changes or monitoring and/or evaluation.

DMS continued to issue DMS residential provisional certifications through this reporting period; an additional 4 provisional certifications were approved this reporting period.

DMS filed regulations to support the State Plan Amendment (SPA) approved DY4Q4, adding an additional Behavioral Health practitioner type to address workforce shortage and relative challenges the Commonwealth is enduring in the behavioral health space, as needs and access to services continue to grow, however workforce shortage continues to be a challenge to providing services. DMS received responses from provider groups, advocates, the BH Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and respective licensure boards; the Department will review feedback and discuss potential amendments as needed.

Due to claims lag and approved protocols, KY is reporting DY4Q4 and Annual metrics. KY notably reports a reduction in number of overdose deaths from DY3 to DY4; the first decrease within implementation. As utilization of SUD services continue to increase, KY did see an increase in total SUD spending and per capita SUD spending.

DMS continues to collaborate with statewide agencies to discuss SUD/OUD initiatives such as assessing quality of SUD treatment, overdose prevention and implementation of the Behavioral Health Conditional Dismissal Program, and legislative initiatives related to recovery housing and support services.

KY continued to partner with state agencies and engaging with CMS regarding KY's pending incarceration amendment and Reentry Demonstration opportunities; DMS submit the Reentry 1115 Demonstration request to CMS on 12/30/24. The request include authority to reimburse for a "Recovery Residence Support Service" for those with SUD that meet criteria for the service. RRSS will provide needed support for individuals with SUD to obtain and sustain recovery.

3. Narrative information on implementation, by milestone and reporting topic

Prompt	State has no trends/update to report (place an X)	Related metric(s) (if any)	State response
1. Assessment of need and qualification for SUD services			
1.1 Metric trends			
1.1.1 The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to assessment of need and qualification for SUD services		Metric 2 and 4	DY4Q4 and Annual: Metric 2 experienced a quarterly decrease by 4.88% in beneficiaries who receive MAT or a SUD-related . X
1.2 Implementation update			
1.2.1 Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to:			
1.2.1.a The target population(s) of the demonstration	X		
1.2.1.b The clinical criteria (e.g., SUD diagnoses) that qualify a beneficiary for the demonstration	X		
1.2.2 The state expects to make other program changes that may affect metrics related to assessment of need and qualification for SUD services	X		

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2. Access to Critical Levels of Care for OUD and other SUDs (Milestone 1)			
2.1 Metric trends			
2.1.1 The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to Milestone 1		Metric 7, 9-10	DY4Q4 and Annual: Metric 7, early intervention (SBIRT) services experienced a significant quarterly decrease of + 10.28%.
2.2 Implementation update			
2.2.1 Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to:			DY5Q2: DMS regulations to support approved 2023 SPA changes for coverage of additional Behavioral Health practitioners as an effort to address workforce shortages and relative challenges as need for services and access to increases, while workforce continues to be a barrier. Amendments are being considered to the proposed policy to ensure individuals obtain proper education, training and supervision as they work toward advanced degrees; services may need to be limited under the proposal.
2.2.1.a Planned activities to improve access to SUD treatment services across the continuum of care for Medicaid beneficiaries (e.g., outpatient services, intensive outpatient services, medication-assisted treatment, services in intensive residential and inpatient settings, medically supervised withdrawal management)			
2.2.1.b SUD benefit coverage under the Medicaid state plan or the Expenditure Authority, particularly for residential treatment, medically supervised withdrawal management, and medication-assisted treatment services provided to individual IMDs		X	
2.2.2 The state expects to make other program changes that may affect metrics related to Milestone 1		X	

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3. Use of Evidence-based, SUD-specific Patient Placement Criteria (Milestone 2)			
3.1 Metric trends			
3.1.1	The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to Milestone 2		DY4 Annual: Metric 5, beneficiaries with a claim for treatment services.
3.2. Implementation update			
3.2.1	Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to: 3.2.1.a Planned activities to improve providers' use of evidence-based, SUD-specific placement criteria	X	
3.2.1.b	Implementation of a utilization management approach to ensure (a) beneficiaries have access to SUD services at the appropriate level of care, (b) interventions are appropriate for the diagnosis and level of care, or (c) use of independent process for reviewing placement in residential treatment settings		DY5Q2: (a) Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) continued to receive a weekly SUD residential/inpatient provider file with notification of providers that have obtained ASAM LOC or DMS Provisional Certification, and what levels are provided. (b) KY DMS continued to verify providers are utilizing a six multi-dimensional assessment tool to determine
3.2.2	The state expects to make other program changes that may affect metrics related to Milestone 2	X	

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4. Use of Nationally Recognized SUD-specific Program Standards to Set Provider Qualifications for Residential Treatment Facilities (Milestone 3)			
4.1 Metric trends			
4.1.1 The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to Milestone 3 Note: There are no CMS-provided metrics related to Milestone 3. If the state did not identify any metrics for reporting this milestone, the state should indicate it has no update to report.	X		
4.2 Implementation update			
4.2.1 Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to: 4.2.1.a Implementation of residential treatment provider qualifications that meet the ASAM Criteria or other nationally recognized, SUD-specific program standards	X		
4.2.1.b Review process for residential treatment providers' compliance with qualifications	X		
4.2.1.c Availability of medication-assisted treatment at residential treatment facilities, either on-site or through facilitated access to services off site	X		
4.2.2 The state expects to make other program changes that may affect metrics related to Milestone 3	X		

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5. Sufficient Provider Capacity at Critical Levels of Care including for Medication Assisted Treatment for OUD (Milestone 4)			
5.1 Metric trends			
5.1.1 The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to Milestone 4		Metric 13	DY4 Annual: Metric 13, number of providers enrolled with Medicaid 
5.2 Implementation update			
5.2.1 Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to: Planned activities to assess the availability of providers enrolled in Medicaid and accepting new patients in across the continuum of SUD care	X		
5.2.2 The state expects to make other program changes that may affect metrics related to Milestone 4	X		

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6. Implementation of Comprehensive Treatment and Prevention Strategies to Address Opioid Abuse and OUD (Milestone 5)					
6.1 Metric trends					
6.1.1	The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to Milestone 5	Metric 23 and 27	DY4Q4: While KY was starting to see more consistent decrease in Metric 23, total ED visits for SUD per 1,000 <small>(OTC naloxone was added as a covered nondrug to the</small> X		
6.2 Implementation update					
6.2.1	Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to:	X			
6.2.1.a	Implementation of opioid prescribing guidelines and other interventions related to prevention of OUD				
6.2.1.b	Expansion of coverage for and access to naloxone		DY5Q2: During this reporting period, over-the-counter <small>(OTC naloxone was added as a covered nondrug to the</small> X		
6.2.2	The state expects to make other program changes that may affect metrics related to Milestone 5	X			

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7. Improved Care Coordination and Transitions between Levels of Care (Milestone 6)			
7.1 Metric trends			
7.1.1 The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to Milestone 6	X		
7.2 Implementation update			
7.2.1 Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to: Implementation of policies supporting beneficiaries' transition from residential and inpatient facilities to community-based services and supports	X		
7.2.2 The state expects to make other program changes that may affect metrics related to Milestone 6	X		

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8. SUD health information technology (health IT)			
8.1 Metric trends			
8.1.1 The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to its health IT metrics	X		
8.2 Implementation update			
8.2.1 Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to:	X		
8.2.1.a How health IT is being used to slow down the rate of growth of individuals identified with SUD			
8.2.1.b How health IT is being used to treat effectively individuals identified with SUD	X		
8.2.1.c How health IT is being used to effectively monitor “recovery” supports and services for individuals identified with SUD	X		
8.2.1.d Other aspects of the state’s plan to develop the health IT infrastructure/capabilities at the state, delivery system, health plan/MCO, and individual provider levels	X		
8.2.1.e Other aspects of the state’s health IT implementation milestones	X		
8.2.1.f The timeline for achieving health IT implementation milestones	X		

Prompt	State has no trends/update to report (place an X)	Related metric(s) (if any)	State response
8.2.1.g Planned activities to increase use and functionality of the state's prescription drug monitoring program	X		
8.2.2 The state expects to make other program changes that may affect metrics related to health IT	X		
9. Other SUD-related metrics			
9.1 Metric trends			
9.1.1 The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to other SUD-related metrics		Metric 26, 28-30,	DY4 Annual: KY saw its first reduction in Metric 26, number of overdose deaths among Medicaid beneficiaries
9.2 Implementation update			
9.2.1 The state reports the following metric trends, including all changes (+ or -) greater than 2 percent related to other SUD-related metrics	X		

4. Narrative information on other reporting topics

Prompts	State has no update to report (place an X)	State response
10. Budget neutrality		
10.1 Current status and analysis		KY requested an extension to CMS on 2/29/24 to complete DY7Q2 (SUD DY5Q2) budget neutrality reporting. Due to staffing changes, KY did not have the required member months to complete reporting to date. KY did note increases in Metrics 28 - 30 for SUD DY4, however KY anticipates to remain within budget neutrality requirements for the [+]
10.2 Implementation update		
10.2.1 The state expects to make other program changes that may affect budget neutrality	X	

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11. SUD-related demonstration operations and policy		
11.1 Considerations		
11.1.1 The state should highlight significant SUD (or if broader demonstration, then SUD-related) demonstration operations or policy considerations that could positively or negatively affect beneficiary enrollment, access to services, timely provision of services, budget neutrality, or any other provision that has potential for beneficiary impacts. Also note any activity that may accelerate or create delays or impediments in achieving the SUD demonstration's approved goals or objectives, if not already reported elsewhere in this document. See Monitoring Report Instructions for more detail.	DY5Q2: KY submitted a Rentry Section 1115 Demonstration application to CMS on 12/30/23. The application includes request for authority to reimburse for the "Recovery Residence Support Service (RRSS)" for individuals with SUD participating in KY's pilot program and Rentry Demo. RRSS would be provided in appropriately certified recovery residences that meet criteria to provide the service. RRSS would further support KY's SUD Continuum of Care and supports necessary for individuals to obtain and sustain long-term recovery.	
11.2 Implementation update		
11.2.1 Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to:	X	
11.2.1.a How the delivery system operates under the demonstration (e.g., through the managed care system or fee for service)		
11.2.1.b Delivery models affecting demonstration participants (e.g., Accountable Care Organizations, Patient Centered Medical Homes)	X	
11.2.1.c Partners involved in service delivery	X	

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11.2.2 The state experienced challenges in partnering with entities contracted to help implement the demonstration (e.g., health plans, credentialing vendors, private sector providers) and/or noted any performance issues with contracted entities	X	DY5Q2: KY DMS continues to participate in the CHFS SUD Quality and Outcomes Workgroup. DY5Q2 continued as a partner in planning. 
11.2.3 The state is working on other initiatives related to SUD or OUD		DY5Q2: As mentioned in 11.1.1 and 11.2.3, the request to reimburse for the RSSS will expand support services under the Demonstration for the targeted populations noted.
11.2.4 The initiatives described above are related to the SUD or OUD demonstration (The state should note similarities and differences from the SUD demonstration)		

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12. SUD demonstration evaluation update		
12.1 Narrative information		
12.1.1	Provide updates on SUD evaluation work and timeline. The appropriate content will depend on when this monitoring report is due to CMS and the timing for the demonstration. There are specific requirements per 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 431.428a(10) for annual [monitoring] reports. See Monitoring Report Instructions for more details.	DY5Q2: During this quarter, evaluation efforts included: updating the Draft Interim Assessment with new data; adding additional hypothesis testing as updated data was included; conducting data curation, runs, and analyses for the additional data sets; expanding the interrupted time series analysis (ITS) statistical tests on the impact of the Demonstration; conducting analyses of Former Foster Care Youth involvement with Medicaid; analyzing data for overdose deaths for []
12.1.2	Provide status updates on deliverables related to the demonstration evaluation and indicate whether the expected timelines are being met and/or if there are any real or anticipated barriers in achieving the goals and timeframes agreed to in the STCs	DY5Q2: The expectation is that all goals and time-frames will be achieved relative to the independent evaluation as agreed to in the STCs.
12.1.3	List anticipated evaluation-related deliverables related to this demonstration and their due dates	DY5Q2: Future deliverables are expected to be delivered as [] <small>Confidential, unclassified. Final Communications Evaluation Document dated 6/20/17. []</small>

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13. Other SUD demonstration reporting		
13.1 General reporting requirements		
13.1.1 The state reports changes in its implementation of the demonstration that might necessitate a change to approved STCs, implementation plan, or monitoring protocol	X	
13.1.2 The state anticipates the need to make future changes to the STCs, implementation plan, or monitoring protocol, based on expected or upcoming implementation changes		DY5Q2: KY will continue to work with CMS and monitor future implementation plan and monitoring protocols required should KY receive extension beyond 9/30/24.
13.1.3 Compared to the demonstration design and operational details, the state expects to make the following changes to:	X	
13.1.3.a The schedule for completing and submitting monitoring reports		
13.1.3.b The content or completeness of submitted monitoring reports and/or future monitoring reports	X	
13.1.4 The state identified real or anticipated issues submitting timely post-approval demonstration deliverables, including a plan for remediation	X	
13.1.5 Provide updates on the results of beneficiary satisfaction surveys, if conducted during the reporting year, including updates on grievances and appeals from beneficiaries, per 42 CFR § 431.428(a)5	X	

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13.2 Post-award public forum		
13.2.2 If applicable within the timing of the demonstration, provide a summary of the annual post-award public forum held pursuant to 42 CFR § 431.420(c) indicating any resulting action items or issues. A summary of the post-award public forum must be included here for the period during which the forum was held and in the annual monitoring report.		KY conducted two virtual public forums prior to submission of the Reentry 1115 application during this measurement period. The forums included overview of the current TEAMKY 1115 and components, including SUD. The first public forum was conducted Monday, November 27, 2023 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. EST via Microsoft Teams, with 99 attendees. The second public forum was conducted +

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14. Notable state achievements and/or innovations		
14.1 Narrative information		
14.1.1 Provide any relevant summary of achievements and/or innovations in demonstration enrollment, benefits, operations, and policies pursuant to the hypotheses of the SUD (or if broader demonstration, then SUD related) demonstration or that served to provide better care for individuals, better health for populations, and/or reduce per capita cost.		DY5Q1: As mentioned in Section 13, KY received a temporary extension to its Section 1115 Demonstration; KY will continue to work with CMS regarding next steps and posted appropriate materials on the DMS website for public notification. DMS hosted CMS in September for a on-site visit with DMS and state partners to discuss statewide provisions and outcomes.

*The state should remove all example text from the table prior to submission.

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