## **Quality of Care for Children with ADHD in New York State Participating in Medicaid Managed Care: A Qualitative Assessment**

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| Characteristics of Focus Group Participants ( $N = 28$ )       |            |  |
|--|------------|--|
| Characteristics  | Percentage |  |
| Race/Ethnicity of Participants                                 |            |  |
| African-American   | 25         |  |
| Hispanic/Latino/a  | 39         |  |
| White  | 29         |  |
| Other  | 7          |  |
| Reported Household Income                                      |            |  |
| Under \$10,000   | 25         |  |
| \$10,001-\$19,999  | 32         |  |
| \$20,000-\$29,999  | 29         |  |
| \$30,000–\$34,999  | 7          |  |
| Over \$45,000  | 7          |  |
| Education Attainment   |            |  |
| Less than High School  | 11         |  |
| High School Graduate   | 21         |  |
| G.E.D.   | 29         |  |
| Some College   | 21         |  |
| Associate's Degree   | 7          |  |
| Bachelor's Degree  | 11         |  |
| Child's Medication Status                                      |            |  |
| Child Currently on Medication                                  | 68         |  |
| Child Not Currently on Medication but Previously on Medication | 21         |  |
| Child Never on Medication                                      | 11         |  |

| Specialty Type and Location of Providers for the Completed Provider Interviews $(N = 16)$  |            |  |
|--|------------|--|
|  | Percentage |  |
| Specialty Type   |            |  |
| Primary Care Pediatrician  | 56         |  |
| Family Practitioner  | 13         |  |
| Pediatricians Specializing in ADHD Care  | 13*        |  |
| Pediatrician/Specialist (Neurologist/Developmental   | 13         |  |
| Pediatricians)   |            |  |
| Neurologist/Pediatric Neurologist  | 6          |  |
| Location   |            |  |
| NYC  | 25         |  |
| Western New York (including Buffalo and  | 50         |  |
| Rochester)   |            |  |
| Rest of the State  | 25         |  |
| NOTE: The two pediatricians in this category are not board-certified specialists but saw children with ADHD on a referral basis and acted as a specialist for the cases. |            |  |

Characteristics of the managed care organizations (MCOs) that were interviewed:

- Seven of the plans were prepaid health services plans that served Medicaid clients and other publicly funded health care program clients only.
- Five plans had both Medicaid and commercial lines of business.
- Eight of the plans enrolled Medicaid managed care members in NYC. Three of these plans exclusively served Medicaid managed care clients in the City, while the rest also covered other parts of the State.
- Four of the plans enrolled Medicaid managed care members in Buffalo, including one plan that also served NYC.
- One plan enrolled Medicaid managed care members only in parts of the State other than NYC or Buffalo.
- The three behavioral health vendors each provided services to at least two Medicaid managed care plans in New York State and also served plans in other States.

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