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Subject: [External] Validation check for AAW fiscal impact analysis

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Rick,

We will complete the AAW fiscal impact analysis once we receive the selected fees from ODP. In the meantime, we thought it would be helpful for you to do a quick validation check on the AAW waiver utilization we are seeing in the data and are planning to use for the fiscal impact analysis. Please review the following items and confirm:

- The AAW data reflects FY 2019/2020 claims for as many services as possible – but we are using FY 2018/2019 claims utilization for services where no experience was identified in FY 2019/2020. This applies to these services:
 - Family Support (Family Support with Social Worker or Counselor) [Procedure Code H0046, SE]
 - Specialized Skill Development - Community Inclusion - Level 3 [Procedure Code W7205]
 - Residential Habilitation: Life Sharing Home (High) [Procedure Code W7054]
- There is no utilization for the following services in FY 2018/2019 or FY 2019/2020; therefore, these services will not affect the impact analysis results:
 - Therapy: Speech/Language [Procedure Code T2025, GN, U2]
 - Homemaker/Chore [Procedure Codes W7282 and W7283]
 - Older Adult Daily Living Centers [Procedure Code W7094]
 - Transportation Services [Procedure Codes W7274, W7275 and W7276]
 - Residential Habilitation: Community Home (Light) [Procedure Code W7228]

Overall, our data includes a total of **2,435,935 units** and **\$35.3 million** for the AAW waiver services we included in the fee exhibit we sent on Friday.

Do these totals align with your expectations for AAW expenditure and utilization levels? If you have any questions or concerns regarding the items we highlighted in the data above, please let us know and we can find time to discuss.

Thanks,
Jason

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