**SMI Eligibility Determinations FAQ**

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**A1:**

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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Completed SMI or Non-SMI determinations</th>
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<td>2019</td>
<td>4438 (4039 Non-SMI, 4073 SMI)</td>
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<td>2020</td>
<td>4073 (3656 Non-SMI, 4040 SMI)</td>
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<td>2021</td>
<td>3458 (4040 Non-SMI, 4040 SMI)</td>
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**Q2:** How does the volume of SMI Eligibility Determinations compare to year over year?

**A2:** The volume of SMI Eligibility Determinations experienced an approximated 9.06 percent decline in volume between 2019 and 2020, and an approximated 2.75 percent decline in volume between 2020 and 2021. On average, the volume of SMI Eligibility Determinations, compared year over year, continues to decline.

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**Q3:** How many of the total volume of SMI Eligibility Determinations initiated in a hospital?

**A3:** The number of SMI Eligibility Determinations that began when the individual was inpatient for the years 2019, 2020, and 2021 are listed below:

- 2019 = 3606
- 2020 = 3888
- 2021 = 4057
Q4: What are the practices and education provided regarding SMI Eligibility Determinations and splitting out Substance Use Disorder (SUD) from the diagnosis?

A4: Solari regularly conducts the following training sessions to support education regarding performing an SMI Eligibility Determination. SMI Determination Training Sessions have a general focus, while the SMI Clinical Training Sessions have an assessment focus. SMI Eligibility Determination practices/education and splitting out SUD from the diagnosis are topics covered in the trainings.

SMI Eligibility Determination Training sessions are held on:
- The first Monday of each month from 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
- The second Friday of each month from 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM
- The third Monday of each month from Noon – 1:30 PM
- The fourth Friday of each month from 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM
No session will be held if day falls on a holiday

SMI Clinical Training session is held on:
- The third Thursday of each month from 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

To register for the above sessions:
Send email request to SMItraining@solari-inc.org

Solari is also available to address any questions and/or provide technical assistance to members and providers as needed.

Refer also to AMPM Policy 320-P and its corresponding Attachments:
- Attachment A, Serious Mental Illness Eligibility Determination Form
- Attachment B, Serious Mental Illness Qualifying Diagnosis
- Attachment C, Administrative Serious Mental Illness Decertification Form