

Evaluation of Coordination Model across Social Code Books in Psychiatric Care

Summary:

The model of a Regional Psychiatry Budget (RPB) according to § 26 of the Federal Hospital Refund Regulation (Bundespflegegesetzverordnung) is based on a capitation principle which is allocated to a major inpatient care provider of a larger region on a yearly basis. It allowed for developing an integrated care model for mental care in the district of Dithmarschen, Schleswig-Holstein.

In 2013 a case management in cooperation with the administration in the district of Dithmarschen was established in order to organize provision of individualized outpatient psychiatric care or other health and social care.

The study aims to evaluate the effect of the case management.

- In study part I the cost development in the social administration are analysed by using routine data.
- Study part II is a prospective observation study of the use of mental and social care facilities over 18 months. A cost-effectiveness analysis is performed using data on the quality of life of patients using the case management center.
- Study part III is a qualitative study with selected patients visiting the case management center and selected staff working in the case management center.

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