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PROVIDER ALERT

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RE: Outcomes Measurement System (OMS) Datamart

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The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA) and ValueOptions®
Maryland are pleased to announce that the Outcomes Measurement System (OMS) Datamart is now
operational and can be accessed through either http://www.dhmh.maryland.gov/mha/ or
http://maryland.valueoptions.com/.

The OMS Datamart is designed to track how individuals, ages 6-64, receiving outpatient mental health
treatment services in Maryland's Public Mental Health System (PMHS) are doing over time in various life
domains, including housing, employment/school, psychiatric symptoms, functioning, substance use, legal
system involvement, and general health. The Datamart contains information at the statewide level, as well as
at the individual County level. (Please refer to the OMS User Guidelines, which can be accessed through the
OMS Datamart Welcome Page, for additional information and background regarding the OMS.)

COMING SOON:
The next phase of the OMS Datamart will be provider-access to provider-level OMS data. It is anticipated that
testing of the provider-level access will begin in mid-March. While the OMS Datamart is designed to be user-
friendly, training on how to use the OMS Datamart will be provided once the provider-level access is
operational.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:
The software that drives the OMS Datamart uses Adobe Shockwave files to display the data. Browsers that
will work with the software include Microsoft Internet Explorer Version 6 or higher, Mozilla Firefox Version
2 or higher, and Safari Version 5 or higher. A minimum processor speed of 1.8 GHz with 1 GB of RAM is
needed. Adobe Flash Player 9.0.151 (32 bit only) and above are also needed. It may therefore be necessary
to update your Adobe software in order to view the Datamart. Unfortunately, iPads do not currently support
Shockwave files, so the Datamart cannot currently be viewed on an iPad.