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PROVIDER ALERT

Request for Assessments for Maryland Access Point (MAP) Integration September 28, 2012

The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) is working on improving coordination of services across mental health and long term care providers. One project is the development of a core standardized assessment for mental health participants that will coincide with an assessment for long term services and supports. This will ensure that data collected by one provider is both accurate, informative and can be used when a person changes providers and/or services.

DHMH would like to include stakeholder feedback throughout the process. Initially, the main goals are to identify common sections and questions and review tools used in other states as a comparison.

The Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA) is currently collecting samples of initial assessments that the provider community is using to identify medical and social needs of consumers enrolled in the Maryland Medicaid Program. Members of the provider community will be invited to participate in developing the final assessment tool once the initial evaluation of current forms takes place.

MHA is requesting copies of assessments used by the Residential Rehabilitation Programs (RRP), Psychiatric Rehabilitation Program (PRP), Targeted Case Management (TCM), Mobile Treatment Services (MTS)/Assertive Community Treatment (ACT), and Crisis Bed Programs to evaluate common questions/prompts and focus areas to develop a draft for the assessment form.

Send a sample of program assessment(s) utilized by the agency for the above services by **Monday- October 8, 2012** to: Penny Scrivens at <u>410-402-8304</u> (fax) or email to: <u>penny.scrivens@maryland.gov</u>. Ms. Scrivens can also be reached at 410-402-8482, if you have any questions.