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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Substance Use Disorder Transmittal No. 10
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TO: Individually Licensed Mental Health Providers
Managed Care Organizations
ValueOptions

FROM: Susan J. Tucker, Executive Director
Office of Health Services

RE: Medicaid Billing and Enrollment for Individually Licensed Mental Health Providers

NOTE: Please ensure that the appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the content of this transmittal.

For dates of service after 12/31/2014, managed care organizations (MCOs) will not be responsible for payment to providers delivering substance use disorder (SUD) services as listed in the updated COMAR 10.09.70, available at: <http://www.dsd.state.md.us/MDRegister/4120.pdf>. These services will instead be authorized and reimbursed by the Department's Administrative Services Organization (ASO), ValueOptions (VO). The following information further clarifies billing procedures for individually licensed mental health providers properly enrolled with Medicaid. There will be separate transmittals related to other provider types.

Individual Licensed Mental Health Providers

Licensed mental health professionals may deliver services to participants with a primary diagnosis of SUD. This includes licensed psychologists, psychiatrists, psychiatric nurse practitioners, nurse psychotherapists, social workers, and professional counselors. In order to bill and be reimbursed for any behavioral health service, providers must meet the requirements of COMAR 10.09.59.

Billing Procedures

Licensed mental health providers who treat participants with a SUD primary diagnosis may bill ValueOptions for these services using the CPT codes listed on the Public Behavioral Health System fee schedule found under the Claims/Finance section of the ValueOptions website: http://maryland.valueoptions.com/provider/prv_info.htm. Please note that Medicaid will NOT

reimburse for SUD services billed by individual providers using the H-codes; these codes are limited to SUD programs.

Medicaid Enrollment and ValueOptions Registration

In order to ensure continuity of care and to receive authorization and Medicaid payment for SUD services delivered after 12/31/2014, providers must complete the following before January 1, 2015:

1. Enroll with Maryland Medicaid as an individually licensed mental health provider, and
2. Register with ValueOptions through the ProviderConnect system.

If you wish to confirm whether you have an active Medicaid number, please contact DHMH.BHEnrollment@Maryland.gov.

To register with ValueOptions, please call **1-800-888-1965**; providers may press option 6 then option 8 for the consult line.

Additional Information

The Department encourages you to participate in training opportunities hosted by ValueOptions. For more information on provider trainings, please visit the ValueOptions Integration site at <http://maryland.valueoptions.com/whats-new.htm>.

To sign up for Provider Alerts from ValueOptions, please send an email to marylandproviderrelations@valueoptions.com.

To review a list of Frequently Asked Questions regarding the ASO Transition, please see <http://maryland.valueoptions.com/whats-new.htm>.