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Substance Use Disorder Transmittal No. 15
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TO: Hospitals
 Managed Care Organizations
 ValueOptions

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FROM: Susan J. Tucker, Executive Director
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RE: Medicaid Billing and Enrollment for Hospitals

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

With the exception of an inpatient stay beginning on or before December 31, 2014 and ending after January 1, 2015, 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 policies for hospital providers enrolled with Medicaid. This guidance applies to inpatient detoxification, outpatient, and emergency department services. There will be separate transmittals related to other provider types.

Billing Procedures for Hospitals

For dates of service after 12/31/2014, hospital providers must seek authorization and bill the Department's ASO, VO, for SUD services, in accordance with COMAR 10.09.70 and 10.09.80. A hospital should bill the ASO if the claim meets the following criteria:

1. It includes a revenue code(s) listed in section B of COMAR 10.09.70.02 for inpatient (01116, 0126, 0136, and 0156), outpatient (0900, 0905, 0906, 0911, 0912, 0913, 0914, 0915, 0916, 0918, 0919, 0944, and 0945), or emergency department (0450, 0451, 0452, 0456, and 0459); and

2. The primary diagnosis on the claim as listed in section F of COMAR 10.09.70.02.

Value Options will pay for medically necessary ancillary services when billed in conjunction with the covered revenue codes.

In the new regulations, four revenue codes were inadvertently included in both the inpatient and outpatient code sections. These codes will be deleted from the inpatient revenue code section after the regulations are approved. The codes are related to partial hospitalization, which should not be billed during an inpatient stay (0912 and 0913), and drug and alcohol rehabilitation codes, which have historically been billed for outpatients (0944 and 0945).

If a claim does not meet the requirements above, the claim must be submitted to the MCO or to the Medicaid fee-for-service program if the individual is not enrolled in an MCO.

Physician services provided by doctors in hospital inpatient, outpatient or emergency room settings are still the responsibility of the MCO. Inpatient services other than those provided in a detoxification unit also remain the responsibility of the MCO.

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. Properly enroll with Maryland Medicaid, 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>.

To send questions to be posted on the FAQ, please send an email to Dhmh.bhintegration@maryland.gov