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MEMORANDUM

TO: Maryland Medicare/Medicaid Providers

FROM: Behavioral Health Administration
Office of Adult and Specialized Behavioral Health Services
Chief, Special Populations Unit

DATE: November 3, 2016

RE: CMS Emergency Preparedness Rule

To Whom It May Concern:

From CMS.gov: On September 8, 2016 the Federal Register posted the final rule *Emergency Preparedness Requirements for Medicare and Medicaid Participating Providers and Suppliers*. The regulation goes into effect on November 16, 2016. Health care providers and suppliers affected by this rule must comply and implement all regulations one year after the effective date, on November 16, 2017.

Purpose: To establish national emergency preparedness requirements to ensure adequate planning for both natural and man-made disasters, and coordination with federal, state, tribal, regional and local emergency preparedness systems. The following information will apply upon publication of the final rule:

- Requirements will apply to all 17 provider and supplier types.
- Each provider and supplier will have its own set of Emergency Preparedness regulations incorporated into its set of conditions or requirements for certification.
- Must be in compliance with Emergency Preparedness regulations to participate in the Medicare or Medicaid program. The below downloadable sections will provide additional information, such as the background and overview of the final rule and related resources.

The attached documents identify the provider types, requirements for provider types, and an example of a transfer agreement. For more information please follow the provided link:

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertEmergPrep/Emergency-Prep-Rule.html>

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