



## **PROVIDER ALERT**

### **OMS Workflow for OMT Providers**

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Effective October 1, 2016, all agency providers, including provider type 32, hospital based OMT clinics, and Federally Qualified Health Care Centers (FQHC's), prescribing methadone or buprenorphine are required to use the OMS workflow.

In January 2015, with the transition of substance use services to Beacon Health Options, Level I outpatient services provided by provider type 50, hospital based addictions clinics, and Federally Qualified Health Care Centers (FQHC's), were included in the OMS workflow. With the system updates of October 1, 2016, the option for requesting OMT services mandates that providers follow the OMS workflow.

OMS authorizations for OMT providers will allow for an initial three units for providers prescribing methadone and four units for providers prescribing buprenorphine. The OMS questionnaire must be administered within the initial authorization span and once the OMS interview is completed, a twenty-six (26) unit continuing authorization will be approved. Please be reminded that providers can complete the initial request and request the first concurrent by completing the OMS questionnaire on the same day, if they choose to do so.



## PROVIDER ALERT

For individuals entering OMT service beginning 10/1/16, the OMS workflow is required. **Individuals** with a **current OMT authorization** may continue to use the current authorization until it expires. When the existing authorization expires, an initial OMS review must be completed using either Methadone Maintenance OMS or Buprenorphine Induction/Maintenance OMS as the Type of Care. All other reviews after the initial request will follow the continuing review logic for OMS. The concurrent authorization request process may be initiated up to 30 days prior to the expiration date of the prior authorization.