

February 2024 ORTIPS

Mental Health & Recovery Services Quality Management Services Quality Assurance & Quality Improvement Division

Reminders

Med Monitoring Packets Reminder

All packets must be submitted by 3/31/24

Please email questions and completed forms to <u>AQISSupportTeams@ochca.com</u> and include AOA Med Monitoring or CYS Med Monitoring in the subject line



Where to Find QRTips



The QRTips are available on the HCA website at <u>https://www.ochealthinfo.com/providers-partners/authority-quality-improvement-services-division-aqis/quality-assurance-quality-0</u>

Please save this link to your "Favorites" on your web browser for easy access to current and past QRTips

New Service Chiefs, Program Directors, and Quality Assurance staff, will find it helpful to review the QRTips for recent changes and current information

TRAININGS & MEETINGS

AOA Online Trainings

<u>New Provider Training</u> (Documentation & Care Plan)

<u>2022-2023 AOABH</u> <u>Annual Provider Training</u>

MHP AOA QI Coordinators' Meeting Teams Meeting: 02/01/2024 10:30- 11:30am

CYS Online Trainings

2022-2023 CYPBH Integrated Annual Provider Training

MHP CYS QI Coordinators' Meeting

Teams Meeting: 02/08/2024

10:00-11:30am *More trainings on CYS ST website*

HELPFUL LINKS

OMS AOA Support Team OMS CYS Support Team BHS Electronic Health Record Medi-Cal Certification

| Service Spotlight: Family Psychotherapy (conjoint psychotherapy, with client present) 90847 | |
|---|--|
| The following are some helpful reminders and tips about when to select the CPT service code for Family Psychotherapy (conjoint psychotherapy, with client present). | |
| Client <u>and</u> family member(s) must be present for the majority of the service time. Service activities that reflect using this code are focused on family psychotherapy techniques, such as focusing on family dynamics, processing communication styles, etc. Family Psychotherapy (conjoint psychotherapy, with client present) cannot be selected if the service is less than 26 minutes. | |
| <i>Tip</i>: If the service is less than 26 minutes, 70899-404 (Nonbillable BH Family Therapy) should be used to capture your service time. These are only examples; if the actual service provided is more accurately described by an alternate code, ensure that the correct code is entered into the billing system. | |
| | |

AOA Support Team—Provider Support Program (County Only)

We would like to provide a friendly reminder to all county Service Chiefs that the AOA Support Team Provider Support Program is available to all *new* and *existing* providers working in outpatient programs.

- QMS AOAST staff will work with the provider 1:1 for up to 2 months reviewing documentation
- Assist provider with creating quality assessments, care plans and progress notes
- Provide additional resources as needed

How to enroll: Service Chiefs to complete the referral from (email template) and send it to the QMS Support Team inbox at <u>AQISSupportTeams@ochca.com</u> with subject line: Provider Support Program referral

Note: New providers seeking this support must have access to IRIS and need to have completed the APT and NPT before being referred

MANAGED CARE SUPPORT TEAM

MCST OVERSIGHT

- EXPIRED LICENSES, WAIVERS, CERTIFICATIONS AND REGISTRATIONS
- NOTICE OF ADVERSE BENEFIT DETERMINATION (NOABDS)
- APPEAL/EXPEDITED APPEAL/STATE FAIR HEARINGS
- PAVE ENROLLMENT (MHP PROVIDERS ONLY)
- CHANGE OF PROVIDER/2ND OPINIONS (MHP/DMC-ODS)
- CAL-OPTIMA CREDENTIALING (AOA COUNTY CLINICS)

- GRIEVANCES & INVESTIGATIONS
- COUNTY CREDENTIALING
- ACCESS LOGS
- CLINICAL/COUNSELOR SUPERVISION
- MHP & DMC-ODS PROVIDER DIRECTORY

REMINDERS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPDATES



CLINICAL/COUNSELOR SUPERVISION

Any of the status changes list below requires an updated Clinical/Counselor Supervision Reporting Form (CSRF) to be submitted to MCST.

- Change in Supervisor
- New Supervisee Registration #
- Termination in Supervision
- 🗸 Name Change

| | Clinical Supervi | sor Information | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| r | | | |
| ne of Primary Clinical Supervisor | | | |
| | List of All Curre | ent Supervisees | |
| Name(s) of Current Supervisee(s) | Type of Supervision | Program Name | Supervisee Classification |
| Example: Jane Doe | S Group Individual | A0A: Anabeim Clinic | ASW |
| | Group Individual | | |
| | Group Individual | ຸ | |
| | Group | E | |
| 1 | dividual | | |
| | Group | | |
| | Group Individual | | |
| | Group | | |
| | Group Individual | | |
| | Group | | |
| | Group Individual | | |



- A supervisee who has individual and group supervision with two different clinical supervisors must submit <u>two</u> CSRFs.
- If the supervisee has the same clinical supervisor for both individual and group, then <u>one</u> CSRF is only required.
- Page 2 of the CSRF requires the Clinical Supervisor to list out their supervisees and re-submit when there is an update.
- All old versions of the CSRFs are invalid and will not be accepted. Be sure to use the newest version of the <u>Clinical</u> <u>Supervision Report Form.</u>
 - Newest version of the <u>Counselor</u> <u>Supervision Reporting Form</u>.







COUNTY EMPLOYEES ONLY AUDITING TIMECARD CODING FOR CLINICAL SUPERVISORS

It is important for Clinical Supervisors to maintain proper supervisee documentation as part of the County requirement. Clinical supervision notes, weekly logs and/or records are subject to review and/or audit upon request (i.e. Human Resources, QMS, Auditor Controller, Program, etc.).

QMS and Human Resources recently conducted an audit of the clinical supervision hours claimed using the Clinical License Services (CLS) pay code on the timecards. As a reminder, it is important for Managers and Service Chiefs to maintain current records for clinical supervision, an updated Clinical Supervision Agreement (CSA) and/or the Clinical Supervision Reporting Form (CSRF) and reconcile the hours coded on the timesheet prior to approving it. This will assist MCST with concluding an accurate reconciliation when reporting the findings to Human Resources.

Remember, the CLS pay code shall only be coded for the hours dedicated to clinical supervision and that a Clinical Supervisor is certifying the Clinical Supervision Hours for a supervisee. Chart review, consultation, preparation, documentation review or other activities outside of the regularly scheduled individual and/or group supervision is **NOT** eligible to be claimed and coded to CLS. Clinical Supervision of interns and volunteers is **NOT** eligible for CLS, as well.

Refer to the <u>09.03.01 2003 Clinical Supervision</u> <u>Requirements P&P</u> for more detailed information.





PROVIDER DIRECTORY

The provider directory template has been revised effective 10/27/23 to incorporate the new programs that joined the MHP and DMC-ODS network. All new programs are required to use the new template file name: Orange County Provider Directory Rev. 10.27.23.xlsm. All existing programs may continue using the prior provider directory template filename: Orange County Provider Directory Rev. 6.29.23.xlsm since the changes have no impact, at this time.



MONTHLY MCST TRAININGS – NOW AVAILABLE

MCST is offering open training sessions effective 1/1/24 for new and existing providers. The 2-hour training will be on NOABDs, Grievances, Appeals, 2nd Opinion/Change of Provider and Access Logs.

Please e-mail <u>AQISGrievance@ochca.com</u> with Subject Line: MCST Training for MHP or DMC-ODS and a MCST representative will send you an e-mail invitation to attend the training via Microsoft Teams.

2nd Tuesdays of the Month @ 1 p.m. MCST Training (MHP) 4th Tuesdays of the Month @ 1 p.m. MCST Training (DMC-ODS)

MCST TRAININGS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

- NEW MHP and DMC-ODS programs are required to schedule a full-day training to comply with the MCST oversight and DHCS requirements. It is recommended to have the Directors, Managers, Supervisors and Clinical Staff participate in the training to ensure those requirements are met and implemented. Please contact MCST to schedule the training at least a month prior to delivering Medi-Cal covered services.
- If you and your staff would like a refresher on a specific topic or a full training about the MCST's oversight please e-mail the Health Services Administrator, Annette Tran at <u>anntran@ochca.com</u>.



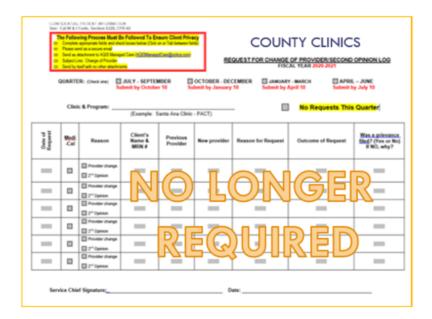


CHANGE OF PROVIDER/2ND OPNION (COUNTY CLINIC PROVIDERS ONLY)

The Change of Provider/ 2^{nd} Opinion PowerForm has been updated to help streamline the data collection for the MHP and DMC-ODS County Clinics and went into effect 1/1/24. Some of the new changes include:

- 1. Reason for why there was a change of provider request (Required Field)
- Was a grievance submitted? YES or NO (Required Field). If NO, an explanation as to why a grievance was not filed, is required.
- 3. Consolidating two of the nine categories for the primary reasons for request. The "Care & Treatment" and "Therapeutic Approach" categories were combined due to several items overlapping. The combined category is now renamed to Care & Treatment Approach.

Adding item #1 and #2 to the PowerForm eliminates the MHP and DMC-ODS County Clinic providers from having to submit the quarterly "Request for Change of Provider/2nd Opinion Log" (see example below). The additional data being collected in IRIS will help eliminate the reporting duplication.



NOTE: County-Contracted Providers are **still** required to continue to submit the "Request for Change of Provider/ 2^{nd} Opinion Log" every quarter since this feature is not available to non-IRIS users.



EXPIRED LICENSES, WAIVERS, CERTIFICATION AND REGISTRATIONS



When a provider's license has expired, the MCST sends an e-mail notification suspending the provider from delivering any Medi-Cal covered services. The e-mail requires an **immediate response** by the provider and/or administrator by the <u>end of the business day to explain the reason</u> for the lapse with the provider's credential. This is important information for the MCST to track and monitor. Be sure to respond promptly upon receiving the e-mail notification.

COUNTY RE-CREDENTIALING

Providers are required to be re-credentialed every 3 years. The Credentialing Verification Organization, Verge/RLDatix sends e-mail notifications to providers 90 days in advance and then every week until the provider attest and provides the required documents needed to initiate the re-credentialing process.

There is a trend of provider's who have failed to complete the re-credentialing process upon the expiration and were suspended from delivering any Medi-Cal covered services. Once you receive a recredentialing approval letter from MCST you must contact IRIS to petition for your credential suspension to be lifted to begin delivering Medi-Cal covered services. Your reinstatement is <u>not automatic</u>. Be sure to re-credential your providers on-time by promptly responding to the Verge/RLDatix e-mail notifications!



GRIEVANCES, APPEALS, STATE FAIR HEARINGS, NOABDS, 2ND OPINION AND CHANGE OF PROVIDER

Leads: Esmi Carroll, LCSW Jennifer Fernandez, MSW

CLINICAL SUPERVISION

Lead: Esmi Carroll, LCSW

ACCESS LOGS

Lead: Jennifer Fernandez, MSW

PAVE ENROLLMENT FOR MHP

Leads: Araceli Cueva, Staff Specialist Elizabeth "Liz" Fraga, Staff Specialist

CREDENTIALING AND PROVIDER DIRECTORY

Credentialing Lead: Elaine Estrada, LCSW Cal Optima Credentialing Lead: Sam Fraga, Staff Specialist Provider Directory Lead: Ashley Cortez, LCSW

COMPLIANCE INVESTIGATIONS

Lead: Ashley Cortez, LCSW



CONTACT INFORMATION

400 W. Civic Center Drive., 4th floor Santa Ana, CA 92701 (714) 834-5601 FAX: (714) 480-0775

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

AQISGrievance@ochca.com (NOABDa/Grievance Only) AQISManagedCare@ochca.com

MCST ADMINISTRATORS

Annette Tran, LCSW Health Services Administrator

Service Chiefs and Supervisors:

Please remember to submit monthly program and provider updates/changes for the Provider Directory and send to: <u>AQISManagedCare@ochca.com</u> and <u>BHSIRISLiaisonTeam@ochca.com</u>

Review QRTips in staff meetings and include in your meeting minutes.

Disclaimer: The Quality Management Services (QMS) Quality Assurance (QA) and Quality Improvement (QI) Division develops and distributes the monthly QRTips newsletter to all MHP providers as a tool to assist with various QA/QI regulatory requirements. It is NOT an all-encompassing document. Programs and providers are responsible for ensuring their understanding and adherence with all local, state, and federal regulatory requirements.

| QMS, Quality Assurance & Quality Improvement Division Azahar Lopez, PsyD, CHC Assistant Deputy Director, QMS | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| AOA Support Team 714.834.5601 aqissupportteams@ochca.com | CYS Support Team 714.834.5601 aqissupportteams@ochca.com | Managed Care Support Team 714.834.5601 aqismanagedcare@ochca.com | Inpatient & Designation Support Services 714.834.5601 aqiscdss@ochca.com | | | |
| <u>Health Services</u> <u>Administrator</u> Berenice Moran, LMFT <u>bmoran@ochca.com</u> | <u>Health Services</u> <u>Administrator</u> John Crump, LMFT <u>jcrump@ochca.com</u> | <u>Health Services</u> <u>Administrator</u> Annette Tran, LCSW <u>anntran@ochca.com</u> | <u>Service Chief II</u> <u>Support Staff</u> Rebekah Radomski, LMFT <u>rradomski@ochca.com</u> | | | |
| <u>Service Chief II</u> Ken Alma, LCSW <u>BHCII Staff</u> Blanca Rosa Ayala, LMFT | <u>Service Chief II</u> Asmeret Hagos, LMFT <u>Clinical Staff</u> Mark Lum, Psy.D. | <u>Service Chief II</u> Catherine Shreenan, LMFT <u>BHCII Staff</u> Paula Bishop, LMFT | <u>Certification</u> Sara Fekrati, LMFT Eunice Lim, LMFT | | | |
| Grace Ko, LCSW Sang-Patty Tang, LCSW | Niyati Roy, Psy.D. Cheryl Pitts, LCSW | Esmi Carroll, LCSW Ashley Cortez, LCSW | Debbie Montes, LMFT Andrew Parker, LMFT | | | |
| Erin Sagubo, LCSW | Eduardo Ceja, LMFT | Elaine Estrada, LCSW | Designation | | | |
| Patricia Iglesia, LCSW Jessica Spargur, LMFT | Tanji Ewing, LMFT | Jennifer Fernandez, ASW | Diana Mentas, Ph.D. Selma Silva, Ph.D. | | | |
| Sharon Hoang, SA Jaime Bueno, OS | Support Staff Mabel (Maby) Ruelas, SA | <u>Staff Specialists</u> Araceli Cueva, SS | <u>Support Staff</u> Josie Luevano, SA Fabiola Medina, OS | | | |
| | Renee Serna, OS | Samuel Fraga, SS Elizabeth "Liz" Fraga, SS | | | | |

Support Staff Esther Chung, OS