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TO: DMHAS Funded Private Non-profit Providers
FROM: Stephen DiPietro, Chief Financial Officer *SDP*
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DATE: May 4, 2011
RE: SFY 2012/2013 Contracts: Changes to Program Language Templates

DMHAS will soon be issuing new 2 year contracts for State Fiscal Year 2012 and 2013. The term of the contract will be 7/1/11 through 6/30/13. Highlights of significant changes within these contracts include:

1. A new contract format currently being used by all State human service agencies, which is now in 2 parts, as opposed to the 3 part format of earlier versions. Part I contains the scope of work and performance measures for each contracted service, as well as budget, reporting requirements, payments and other DMHAS-specific terms and conditions. Part II contains the boilerplate State of Connecticut human service contract terms and conditions.
2. In Part I, new language pertaining to "Person-Centered and Recovery-Oriented Services" that references the Department's Recovery Standards and Guidelines and specifically addresses cultural competence, gender and co-occurring disorders-responsiveness and trauma sensitivity;
3. In Part I, new "Scope of Work" descriptions were substantially re-written for specific levels of care/program types/services, including:
 - a. Mobile Crisis, Respite, ACT, Case Management, Community Support Program, Recovery Pathways, Intensive Mental Health Residential, Co-Occurring Enhanced Intensive Substance Abuse Residential, Acute Psychiatric Inpatient, Supported Employment and most Mental Health residential services which were necessitated by conversions of prior service models to newly implemented models;
 - b. Detox and Substance Abuse Residential language has been re-written to be consistent with the Department's Recovery Support Program (RSP) (formerly SAGA BHP) policies and procedures;
 - c. Methadone Maintenance, renamed as Medication-Assisted Treatment, has been re-written primarily to be consistent with the federal Treatment Improvement Protocol (TIP) #43 and federal regulations; and
 - d. Relatively minor changes were made to Prevention "Scope of Work" descriptions.

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4. Also within the Scope of Work descriptions for most treatment contracts, is included a new definition of “medically indigent” to more accurately define the DMHAS client: *“Medically indigent is defined as having no private or public health care coverage that will pay for the services to be provided by the Contractor and no access to, or eligibility for, such coverage.”*
5. Consolidation of similar Scope of Work descriptions. For example, “Mental Health Outpatient” and “Substance Abuse Outpatient” are now simply “Outpatient Services”.
6. New Performance Measures, coinciding with the implementation of DDAP and Provider Quality Reports, and to reflect the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s (SAMHSA) National Outcome Measures, have been included. New “Benchmark %’s” have also been developed for most service types/levels of care using baseline data from FY 2010. These Benchmarks will continue to be evaluated through FY 2012 as to their appropriateness and are subject to change.

DMHAS intends to post both the new Scope of Work descriptions and a summary of the Performance Measures on the DMHAS website beginning May 6th. The new 2 year contracts will be received by providers for review and signature between late May and early June.

For questions about:

Scope of Work descriptions, contact Lauren Siembab, Director of the Community Services Division: Lauren.siembab@po.state.ct.us

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Thank you.

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