

TO: Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Providers

RE: Medicaid SUD Provider Enrollment and Payment after January 1, 2015

For dates of service after 12/31/2014, Amerigroup 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>.

In order to receive Medicaid payment for SUD services after 12/31/2014, providers must be enrolled with Maryland Medicaid and registered with the Administrative Services Organization (ASO), ValueOptions (VO). Please review the text below to determine the appropriate next steps for enrollment and registration.

Office of Health Care Quality (OHCQ) Certified Programs

Programs serving participants with a substance use disorder must obtain certification from the Office of Health Care Quality and submit an application to Medicaid as an SUD program. SUD program types include Methadone Maintenance Providers (provider type 32), Certified Addiction Programs (provider type 50) and Intermediate Care Facility–Addictions (provider type 55) for individuals under the age of 21. If you are not already enrolled as a Medicaid provider, complete and submit the provider application and agreement found on the Medicaid website at <http://dhmh.maryland.gov/providerinfo>.

Local Health Departments (LHD) that currently deliver SUD services must apply as a Methadone Maintenance Provider (provider type 32) and/or a Certified Addiction Program (provider type 50). Medicaid will no longer reimburse providers for SUD services billed using a LHD (provider type 35) Medicaid number.

Once approved as a Medicaid SUD provider, you will receive a Medicaid provider number. Approved SUD providers must register with VO through the ProviderConnect system at <http://maryland.valueoptions.com/providers.htm>, and will submit authorization requests and claims to VO for payment for dates of service beginning January 1, 2015.

Providers already enrolled as a provider type 32 or provider type 50 do NOT need to reapply with Medicaid, but must register with VO. If you wish to confirm whether you have an active Medicaid number, please contact DHHM.BHEnrollment@Maryland.gov.

Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)

FQHCs do not need to re-enroll with Medicaid, but must register with VO at <http://maryland.valueoptions.com/providers.htm> if they are not already registered as a specialty mental health provider. Additionally, FQHCs should continue to use their existing billing code T1015 along with the SUD procedure codes that describe substance use disorder

services for reporting SUD services delivered. FQHCs will also submit authorization requests and claims to VO for payment for dates of service beginning January 1, 2015.

Individual Practitioners

Licensed Mental Health Professionals who treat participants with substance use disorder primary diagnosis can bill VO using the current procedural terminology (CPT) codes and fee schedule allowed under the specialty mental health system. This applies to licensed psychologists, psychiatrists, psychiatric nurse practitioners, nurse psychotherapists, social workers, and professional counselors. If you are not already enrolled as a Medicaid provider, complete and submit the provider application and agreement found on the Medicaid website at <http://dhmh.maryland.gov/providerinfo>.

Once approved as a Medicaid behavioral health provider, you will receive a Medicaid provider number. Approved SUD providers must register with VO through the ProviderConnect system at <http://maryland.valueoptions.com/providers.htm>, and will submit authorization requests and claims to VO for payment for dates of service beginning January 1, 2015.

Additional Information

For questions regarding Provider Enrollment, please contact the Medicaid Behavioral Health Unit at DHMH.BHEnrollment@maryland.gov.

For questions related to the ValueOptions registration process, please call **1-800-888-1965**, providers may press option 6 then option 8 for the consult line.

For additional information, including a training schedule for providers, please visit the ValueOptions website at <http://maryland.valueoptions.com/>.