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From:

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Evidence Based Practiced Reimbursement

Beginning January 1, 2008 two Evidence Based Practices for adults with severe mental illness, Supported Employment and Assertive Community Treatment, will be reimbursed to providers directly from the State through Fee-for-Service billing. Oregon is removing it from the list of services capitated to the Mental Health Organizations in an effort to collect more data concerning the utilization of these practices.

After this date, providers who wish to participate will need to be approved by the Department of Human Services (DHS), Addictions and Mental Health Division (AMH) as meeting the program requirements, which will include strict adherence to the established fidelity guidelines. The program details and the application for providers seeking approval will be posted on the AMH web page this fall.

Providers participating in the program will be asked to submit claims directly to the Department of Medical Assistance Programs (DMAP) with procedure code H2023 Supported Employment or H0039 Assertive Community Treatment. Only programs certified as participating will be reimbursed for billing services under these codes. Participating providers will be required to meet all applicable Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs), be certified to provide outpatient mental health services by AMH, submit required documentation to establish the rated fidelity of the EBP and are subject to review by the DHS audit unit.

More program details will be forthcoming during the summer of 2007. AMH personnel working on this initiative are Jay Yedziniak (503-947-5522) joseph.a.yedziniak@state.or.us) and Mike Morre (503-947-5538 michael.w.moore@state.or.us). You may contact either of them with any questions.