November 23, 2021

Public Notice Regarding Certified Community Behavioral Health Organization (CCBHO) Program Administered by the Department of Mental Health

Pursuant to Sections 1902(a)13(A) of the Social Security Act and 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 447.205, which mandate that proposed changes in statewide methods and standards for setting Medicaid payment rates be published and made available for review and comment, this is to advise that:

1. The Missouri Department of Mental Health provides notice of the following:

   To ensure efficiency, economy, quality of care, and access, a State Plan Amendment for Certified Community Behavioral Health Organizations (CCBHO) is being submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. This state plan amendment includes the following:
   - Removes face-to-face requirement in order to constitute a visit;
   - Adds telemedicine and mobile unit as places of service;
   - Clarifies definition of crisis intervention;
   - Updates practitioners who can provide services and also name of practitioner;
   - Adds Resident Physician as a qualifying practitioner;
   - Updates rate methodology pages for effective date and rate methodology for initial payment rates and for rate reconsiderations; and
   - Other clarifying changes for various other approved services.

   This State Plan will be submitted under State Plan Transmittal Number 21-0038 and will be effective for dates of service beginning January 1, 2022.

   Total annual fiscal impact is estimated to be approximately $6.1 million ($2.1 million state share and $4 million federal share) for MHD clinic services. There is no fiscal impact to the department as these services will be provided out of an existing appropriation.

2. Comments may be sent by regular mail, express or overnight mail, in person or by courier within thirty days after publication of this notice and must be sent or delivered to the following address:

   MO HealthNet Division
   615 Howerton Ct., 2nd Floor
   Jefferson City, MO 65109
   Attention: Glenda Kremer

   Comments may also be emailed to Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov. Please use “Public Comment for CCBHO SPA” in the subject line. Comments must be received by December 23, 2021.

3. A copy of the proposed CCBHO State Plan Amendment is available for public review on the DSS/MHD website, by contacting DSS/MHD at Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov, or by going to any Family Support Division Office.

4. No public hearing will be held.