MEMORANDUM

TO: Behavioral Health Service Organizations (PT 03 / PL # A-6)
Licensed Professional Art Therapist (PT 62 / PL # A-5)
Licensed Professional Art Therapist Group (PT 629 / PL # A-3)
Applied Behavior Analyst (PT 63 / PL # A-5)
Applied Behavior Analyst Group (PT 639 / PL # A-3)
Behavioral Health Multi-Specialty Group (PT 66 / PL # A-6)
Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (PT 81 / PL # A-7)
Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor Group (PT 819 / PL # A-5)
Licensed Clinical Social Worker (PT 82 / PL # A-13)
Licensed Clinical Social Worker Group (PT 829 / PL # A-5)
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (PT 83 / PL # A-7)
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Group (PT 839 / PL # A-5)
Licensed Psychological Practitioner (PT 84 / PL # A-6)
Licensed Psychological Practitioner Group (PT 849 / PL # A-4)
Licensed Psychologist (PT 89 / PL # A-13)
Licensed Psychologist Group (PT 899 / PL # A-5)

FROM: Lee A. Guice, Director
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DATE: February 7, 2019

SUBJECT: Behavioral Health & Substance Abuse Services Fee Schedules, Effective 1/1/2019
Psychological & Neuropsychological Testing and Evaluation Behavior Analyst Services

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES FEE SCHEDULES
In order to remain current with regulation standards and 2019 Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), the Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) has updated the Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse Services Outpatient (Non-Facility) and Inpatient (Facility) Fee Schedules for services provided to fee-for-service members. The updated fee schedules are posted on the Department website and may be accessed at the following web address: https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/Pages/feesrates.aspx.

These updates include removing deleted codes and replacing them with 2019 Psychological and Neuropsychological Testing and Evaluation CPT Codes, descriptions, and reimbursement rates. Adaptive Behavior Assessment and Treatment specific CPT codes, descriptions, and reimbursement rates for Applied Behavior Analysis services are included as well. Select Evaluation and Management codes have been added for both new and established patient office visits which correspond to existing psychotherapy codes performed
with a medical service. Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) expanded codes to include different time intervals. Added Smoking Cessation service codes can also be found on the 1/1/2019 Fee Schedules.

**BEHAVIOR ANALYST SERVICES**

New Category I codes for billing ABA therapy services have been released for 2019. Therefore, information in a 2016 Provider Letter (#A-103) that gave “Suggested HCPCS Codes for Services Rendered” for Behavior Analyst Service Definitions will no longer apply and the new CPT coding corresponding to these services shall be utilized. DMS has updated the crosswalk to show the previously suggested coding and 2019 correct coding. Please note that this new crosswalk does not change the procedures and codes that no longer apply to ABA services. The codes should still be utilized for their intended medically necessary purposes. The UC modifier should continue to be used to indicate services performed by Registered Behavior Technicians performing ABA services.

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**OTHER CHANGES**

- Removal of H2021 Community Based Wrap Around services formerly utilized for billing Comprehensive Community Support services will use H2015 only for this service.
- Replacement of H2019 with H2020. H2020 is a per diem code which requires a minimum of 5 service hours.
- The U8 modifier will now be used for Licensed Psychological Practitioners and Certified Psychologists with Autonomic Functioning.
- All add-on codes are now marked as such.

**REFERENCES**

American Psychological Association, Crosswalk for 2019 Psychological Testing and Evaluation CPT Codes

American Psychological Association, Crosswalk for 2019 Neuropsychological Testing and Evaluation CPT Codes

American Psychological Association, Crosswalk for 2019 Computerized Test CPT Codes

Should you have any questions regarding this information or require further clarification, please contact Ann Huller at 502-564-6890 or email DMS at DMS.Issues@ky.gov.

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