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MEMORANDUM

TO: Behavioral Health Service Organizations (PT 03 / PL #A-9)
Behavioral Health Multi-Specialty Group (PT 66 / PL #A-9)

FROM: Lee Guice, Director 
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DATE: July 26, 2019

SUBJECT: Notification of Kentucky Medicaid Partner Portal Application (KYMPPA) Update

Regulations 907 KAR 15:010E, 907 KAR 15:020E and KAR 15:022E became effective July 1, 2019.

These regulations require Physicians and Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners providing services in a Behavioral Health Service Organization (BHSO) or Behavioral Health Multi-Specialty (MSG) group to possess a psychiatric or addictionology specialty.

The Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) requested providers to perform a maintenance application in KYMPPA prior to July 1, 2019 and urged providers to complete necessary updates pertaining to amended regulations and requirements.

During the maintenance application process, PT 64 (Physicians) and 78 (APRN) were required to possess a psychiatric or addictionology specialty in order to link to the PT 03 (BHSO) or PT 66 (MSG). If this requirement was not met, an alert message appeared prohibiting completion of the application.

As of July 15, DMS has lifted the specialty "hard stop" from KYMPPA requiring a Physician or APRN currently linked to BHSO or MSG to possess a psychiatric or addictionology specialty until 12/31/2019. Providers should be aware this "hard stop" will be reinstated on 1/1/2020. As of 1/1/2020, a Physician or APRN without the required specialty on file may no longer be linked to the BHSO or MSG.

Should you have any questions regarding this communication, please submit to DMS.Issues@ky.gov