

# MONTANA HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS NOTICE March 17, 2023

#### **Mental Health Center and Therapeutic Group Home Providers**

### Effective May 12, 2023

End of Public Health Emergency (PHE)

### Changes to Youth Community Based Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Support (CBPRS) Services

On February 9, 2023, the State of Montana received notice from the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) would be extended for 90 days. Additionally, the Secretary noted that based on current trends regarding COVID-19, HHS is planning for this to be the final renewal and that the PHE will end on May 11, 2023.

This provider notice is to notify providers of changes to Youth Community Based Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Support (CBPRS) services after the statewide emergency declared in Executive Orders 2-2020 and 3-2020 ends. These changes are effective May 12, 2023.

The daily unit limit for Youth Group CBPRS was raised from 8 units to 16 units per day. The Department is proposing to make this update permanent effective May 12, 2023.

Mental Health Centers and Therapeutic Group Homes were temporarily allowed to provide and bill for Youth Group CBPRS services while receiving Therapeutic Group Home (TGH) services. The Department is proposing to permanently allow group CBPRS in a TGH setting effective May 12, 2023.

The Extraordinary Needs Aide (ENA) services per unit rate was temporarily raised from \$3.96 per 15-minute unit to \$7.05 per 15-minute unit to match the Youth Individual CBPRS services rate. Effective May 12, 2023, the rate for ENA services will return to the regular rate of \$4.11 per 15-minute unit.

## **Contact and Website Information**

If you have questions, please contact the Children's Mental Health Bureau Program Officer, Brittany Craig, at (406) 444-6018 or email <u>Brittany.Craig@mt.gov</u>.

For claims questions or additional information, contact Montana Provider Relations at (800) 624-3958 or (406) 442-1837 or email <u>Montana Provider Relations Helpdesk</u>.

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