

OMH, OASAS, and DOH ANNOUNCE UPSTATE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH MEDICAID MANAGED CARE KICK-OFF FORUMS

9/19/2014 -- The New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH), Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS), and the Department of Health (DOH) are pleased to announce that three dates have been added to the series of Behavioral Health Medicaid Managed Care Kick-Off Forums.

To assist behavioral health providers, New York State has contracted for a Managed Care Technical Assistance Center (MCTAC). NYU's McSilver Institute in partnership with the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University will lead MCTAC. MCTAC will provide tools and trainings that will assist providers in improving business and clinical practices, as they transition to Medicaid managed care.

All New York State behavioral health providers serving adults and children are invited to send administrative, fiscal, and clinical senior executive leadership representatives to attend one of the Kick-Off Forums to learn more about the upcoming changes in Medicaid managed care. Additional forums for the rest of the state will be scheduled in the future. Specifically, these forums will provide:

- An overview of behavioral health Medicaid managed care changes in NYS;
- An introduction to the Medicaid Managed Care Technical Assistance Center;
- A discussion of critical factors for managed care readiness; and
- Information on available resources and upcoming trainings.

Additionally, the forums will provide time for networking with managed care plans (as plan availability permits).

Updated Kick-Off Forums & Registration Links

Albany: Monday, October 6th, Hilton Downtown, Ballroom, 40 Lodge St, Albany, NY 12207. 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. [Register here.](#)

Binghamton: Friday, October 17th, Cornell University Cooperative Extension of Broome County, Auditorium, 840 Upper Front Street, Binghamton, NY 13905. 10:00 am - 1:30 pm. [Register here.](#)

Buffalo: Wednesday, October 29th, Buffalo Niagara Marriott, Ballroom, 1340 Millersport Highway, Amherst, NY 14221. 10:00 am - 1:30 pm. [Register here.](#)

Syracuse: Thursday, October 30th, Traditions at the Links, Ballroom, 5900 N Burdick St #3, East Syracuse, NY 13057. 10:00 am - 1:30 pm. [Register here.](#)

Can't make it in-person?

The Albany Kick-Off Forum will be webcast live! **Albany Live-stream:** Monday, October 6th, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. [Register for the live-stream here.](#)

Contact MCTAC.info@nyu.edu with any questions or difficulty registering.