The New York State Department of Health (DOH), Office of Mental Health (OMH), and Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) is pleased to provide a guidance document for Adult Behavioral Health - Home and Community Based Services (BH-HCBS) provider agencies that have received multiple Health Information Technology (HIT) grants or are eligible to participate in HIT support programs.

As each of these grants and programs have specific guidelines for eligibility and rules regarding the purchase of Health Information Technology (HIT) hardware and software, this document provides guidance on how HIT purchases charged against these grants and programs may be used to optimize all the HIT funding. The information provided in this guidance may be subject to change based on changes in contract language.

HIT Grants/Programs:

1. Behavioral Health-Developmental Disabilities (BH-DD) Information Technology (IT) Grant
2. Adult BH HCBS Start-Up Grant
3. Children's Health Information Technology (HIT) Start-Up Grant
4. Adult BH HCBS Behavioral Health Information Technology (BHIT) Program

Should you have any questions regarding this guidance document, feel free to reach out to your BHIT program point of contact.

All Questions should be directed to either the OASAS or the OMH mailboxes listed below:

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