



**Managed Care Events**

**Managed Care Plan/Provider Roundtables**

November 1  
Rest of State  
Plan/Provider Roundtable

November 15  
NYC  
Plan/Provider Roundtable

**Regional Planning Consortia**

*Please note all RPC meetings require registration.*

October 5 – Central RPC  
*Holiday Inn Liverpool*

October 7 – Tug Hill RPC  
*Hilton Garden Watertown*

October 14 – Finger Lakes RPC  
*Memorial Art Gallery Rochester*

October 20 – Southern Tier RPC  
*Cornell Cooperative Extension Binghamton*

October 21 – North Country RPC  
*Holiday Inn Plattsburg*

October 24 – Mid Hudson RPC  
*Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel*

October 25 – Long Island RPC\*  
*Melville Marriott*  
\* Rescheduled from 10/18

October 26 – Western RPC  
*Millennium Hotel Buffalo*

October 27 – Mohawk Valley RPC  
*Holiday Inn Oneonta*

October 31 – Capital RPC  
*Radisson Hotel Albany*

**BH IT Vendor Fairs for Adult BH HCBS Providers**

October 28 – Rochester  
*CCSI Erie Canal Training Room*

November 10 – Albany  
*Empire Plaza State Meeting Rooms*

**Value Based Payment Regional Bootcamps**

October 19 — Session 2  
*Hofstra University*

October 23 — Session 3  
*SUNY at Stony Brook*

**Effective October 1, 2016: New Behavioral Health Home and Community Based Services (BH HCBS) are available to eligible individuals**

As of October 1, 2016, all Medicaid Managed Care members in New York State who are enrolled in a [Health and Recovery Plan \(HARP\)](#) and have been determined eligible for [Adult Behavioral Health Home and Community Based Services](#) (Adult BH HCBS) may begin receiving these services.

Behavioral Health providers who wish to apply for designation to deliver Adult BH HCBS can complete an Adult BH HCBS Provider Designation [Application](#). Applications are accepted at all times, while designation determinations are made on a periodic basis.

Provider claims testing with Managed Care Organizations should be complete. If you have not finished testing with MCOs, please contact their billing departments found in the attachment. Providers who are unable to reach Plans for technical assistance can send their concerns to the [OMH-Managed-Care mailbox](#) or the [OASAS mailbox](#).

**Rest of State Behavioral Health Managed Care Plan/Provider Roundtables**

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), Office of Mental Health (OMH), and Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) invite all Article 31 and Article 32 providers outside of New York City to participate in the bi-weekly Rest of State Plan/Provider Roundtables.

In-person participation for these meetings is essential for both behavioral health providers and Managed Care Organizations to successfully navigate the behavioral health transition.

Direct communication between providers and MCOs can lead to faster identification of any systemic issues related to the Rest of State transition, expedited solutions to difficulties that may occur, and the formation of critical relationships between Managed Care providers and plans that are essential to the new healthcare structure.

During these meetings, providers and plans will also receive State reports on behavioral health managed care oversight and monitoring activities such as claims and billing data, authorizations, and other related activities

**Regional Planning Consortia**

The Regional Planning Consortium (RPC) stakeholder meetings continue to roll out this fall. The Conference of Local Mental Hygiene Directors, in partnership with NYSDOH, OMH, and OASAS, have planned the next [RPC meetings for the 10 Rest of State regions](#).

RPCs are forums where behavioral health providers, substance use disorder providers, hospitals, managed care companies and consumers come together to discuss and monitor the implementation of the NYS behavioral health transformation agenda. Registration is required to attend these meetings.

**Licensed Behavioral Health Practitioner (Off-site Clinic) Services Guidance**

NYSDOH, OMH, and OASAS have released guidance for Providers and MCOs pertaining to the Licensed Behavioral Health Practitioner Services benefit, effective as of **October 15, 2016**.

Under this new managed care benefit, OMH clinics (licensed under 14 NYCRR Part 599 and 598) can now be reimbursed by Medicaid Managed Care Organizations for an array of services which can be provided off-site to both children and adults. This guidance will be discussed at upcoming stakeholder meetings.

**NYS Medicaid Managed Care Pharmacy Benefit Information Center**

NYSDOH and the State University of New York at Stony Brook have developed the [New York State Medicaid Managed Care Pharmacy Benefit Information Center](#) where providers and members can access formulary information for Medicaid Managed Care Organizations and search for brand name and generic medication coverage. Providers and members can learn if there are any limitations on covered medications including prior authorization, step therapy, or quantity limits. The Medicaid Managed Care Pharmacy Benefit website is updated on a quarterly basis with information provided from the MCOs.

**Behavioral Health IT Vendor Fairs for Adult BH HCBS Providers**

The MCTAC BHIT Team will be hosting Vendor fairs as a forum for Adult Behavioral Health HCBS providers looking to contract and upgrade with one of the BHIT HCBS Qualified Vendor Solutions. This is an opportunity to meet and greet vendors in person to assist with the vendor selection process. At these fairs, providers can meet the vendors and learn about the Adult BH HCBS functionality; understand the workflow HCBS built into the Qualified vendor solutions; get a chance to discuss pricing options with each vendor; and meet the BHIT Team for information on program deliverables and/or technical questions.

**All Products Clause**

*Reminder:* Plans are prohibited from mandating BH providers to participate in non-Medicaid lines of business as a condition of contracting.

**If you have any questions, comments or complaints concerning the Behavioral Health Managed Care Transition, please contact OMH Managed Care at [OMH-Managed-Care@omh.ny.gov](mailto:OMH-Managed-Care@omh.ny.gov)**

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