



County of San Bernardino Department of Behavioral Health

INFORMATION NOTICE 14-03

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To: Department of Behavioral Health Staff, Contract Agencies and Fee-For-Service Providers

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Subject: Medi-Cal Expansion

Introduction Medi-Cal Expansion became effective January 1, 2014 and implements major changes to the Behavioral Health and Substance Use benefits for clients with Medi-Cal and their insurance.

Insurance Plans

In the past, Medi-Cal beneficiaries have been assigned to two plans:

- Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP)
- Molina Healthcare

With Medi-Cal Expansion those plans will expand to include beneficiaries from two additional health plans as of January 1, 2014:

- IEHP Kaiser
- Health Net Managed Health Network (MHN)

This means that DBH will take clients who have Medi-Cal with the following insurances:

- IEHP
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 - Molina Healthcare
 - Health Net Managed Health Network (MHN)
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Eligibility

When clients come to any of your sites with these insurances, they are eligible for assessment and possible Tier III Specialty Mental Health Services and all applicable Drug Medi-Cal Services including the expanded benefits.

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Medicare and Medi-Cal/Medicare Additional instructions will be provided for clients with Medicare and Medi-Cal/Medicare. Until then, please continue to provide services to beneficiaries with eligible Medicare and Medi-Cal/Medicare as you have been in the past.

Questions Please do not turn away clients with these types of insurance. Instead, please contact Teri Byrd, Supervising Office Specialist, Department of Behavioral Health, Business Office (909) 382-3048 or your Financial Interviewer with any questions.
