

# SD/MC PROVIDER CERTIFICATION & RE-CERTIFICATION PROTOCOL

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COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PROVIDER NUMBER:		NPI #:		DAYS/HOURS OF OPERATION:	
PROVIDER NAME:		CITY:			
ADDRESS:					
ZIP:					
TYPE OF REVIEW <i>(Please specify)</i> :		<input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFICATION		<input type="checkbox"/> RE-CERTIFICATION	
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES (DHCS) REPRESENTATIVE:			COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH PLAN (MHP) / PROVIDER REPRESENTATIVE (S):		
<b>SERVICES PROVIDED</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>05/20</b> Non-Hospital PHF	H2013	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>10/81</b> Day Tx Int: 1/2 Day	H2012	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/01</b> Case Mgmt/Brokerage	T1017
				• 15/07 Intensive Care Coordination (ICC)	T1017
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>05/40</b> Crisis Residential	H0018	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>10/85</b> Day Tx Int: Full Day	H2012	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/30</b> Mental Health Services	H2015
				• 15/57 Intensive Home Based Services (IHBS)	H2015
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>05/65</b> Adult Residential	H0019	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>10/91</b> Day Tx Rehab: 1/2 Day	H2012	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/58</b> Therapeutic Behavioral Services	H2019
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>10/20</b> CSU: Emergency Rm	S9484	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>10/95</b> Day Tx Rehab: Full Day	H2012	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/60</b> Medication Support	H2010
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>10/25</b> CSU: Urgent Care	S9484			<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/70</b> Crisis Intervention	H2011
<p><b>NOTE:</b> Identify the names, addresses, phone numbers, and hours of operation of school and satellite sites and indicate which sites store medications or provide day treatment.</p> <p>“Satellite” is defined as a site that is owned, leased or operated by an MHP or an organizational provider at which specialty mental health services are delivered to beneficiaries fewer than 20 hours per week, or, if located at a multiagency site, at which specialty mental health services are delivered by no more than two MHP employees or contractors of the provider." <u>Note:</u> A satellite must have an NPI #.</p> <p>Source: Please refer to MHP Contract Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.c.</p>					

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Use Categories 1-5 for all modes of service/service functions.

*In addition*, use Category 6 for CSUs 10/20 and 10/25,

Category 7 for Medication Support 15/60, and

Category 8 for Day Treatment Intensive and Rehabilitation 10/81, 10/85, 10/91, and/or 10/95.

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#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.360. Lockouts for Day Rehabilitation and Day Treatment Intensive

*Day Rehabilitation and Day Treatment Intensive are not reimbursable under the following circumstances:*

- (a) When Crisis Residential Treatment Services, Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services, Psychiatric Health Facility Services or Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services are reimbursed, except for the day of admission to those services.*
- (b) Mental Health Services are not reimbursable when provided by Day Rehabilitation or Day Treatment Intensive staff during the same time period that Day Rehabilitation or Day Treatment Intensive is provided.*
- (c) Two full-day or one full-day and one half-day or two half-day programs may not be provided to the same beneficiary on the same day.*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.362. Lockouts for Adult Residential Treatment Services.

*Adult Residential Treatment Services are not reimbursable under the following circumstances:*

- (a) When Crisis Residential Treatment Services, Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services, Psychiatric Health Facility, or Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services are reimbursed, except for the day of admission.*
- (b) When an organizational provider of both Mental Health Services and Adult Residential Treatment Services allocates the same staff's time under the two cost centers of Mental Health Services and Adult Residential Treatment Services for the same period of time.*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.364. Lockouts for Residential Treatment Services

*Crisis Residential Treatment Services are not reimbursable on days when the following services are reimbursed, except for day of admission to Crisis Residential Treatment Services:*

- (a) Mental Health Services*
- (b) Day Treatment Intensive*
- (c) Day Rehabilitation*
- (d) Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services*
- (e) Psychiatric Health Facility Services*
- (f) Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services*
- (g) Adult Residential Treatment Services*
- (i) Crisis Stabilization*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.366. Lockouts for Crisis Intervention

- (a) Crisis Intervention is not reimbursable on days when Crisis Residential Treatment Services, Psychiatric Health Facility Services, Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services, or Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services are reimbursed, except for the day of admission to those services.*
- (b) The maximum amount claimable for Crisis Intervention in a 24-hour period is **8 hours**.*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.368. Lockouts for Crisis Stabilization

- (a) Crisis Stabilization is not reimbursable on days when Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services, Psychiatric Health Facility Services, or Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services are reimbursed, except on the day of admission to those services.*
- (b) Crisis Stabilization is a package program and NO OTHER specialty mental health services are reimbursable during the same time period this service is reimbursed, except for Targeted Case Management.*
- (c) The maximum number of hours claimable for Crisis Stabilization in a 24-hour period is **20 hours**.*

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#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.370 Lockouts for Psychiatric Health Facility Services

*Psychiatric Health Facility Services are not reimbursable on days when the following services are reimbursed, except for day of admission to Psychiatric Health Facility Services:*

- (a) Adult Residential Treatment Services*
- (b) Crisis Residential Treatment Services*
- (c) Crisis Intervention*
- (d) Day Treatment Intensive*
- (e) Day Rehabilitation*
- (f) Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services*
- (g) Medication Support Services*
- (h) Mental Health Services*
- (i) Crisis Stabilization*
- (j) Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services.*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.374. Lockouts for Targeted Case Management Services

- (a) Targeted Case Management Services are not reimbursable on days when the following services are reimbursed, except for day of admission or for placement services as provided in Subsection (b): (1) Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services; (2) Psychiatric Health Facility Services; (3) Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services.*
- (b) Targeted Case Management Services, solely for the purpose of coordinating placement of the beneficiary on discharge from the hospital, psychiatric health facility or psychiatric nursing facility, may be provided during the 30 calendar days immediately prior to the day of discharge, for a maximum of three nonconsecutive periods of 30 calendar days or less per continuous stay in the facility.*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.372 Lockouts for Medication Support Services - *The maximum amount claimable for Medication Support Services in a 24-hour period is 4 hours.*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.215 Lockouts for Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services

- (a) The following services are not reimbursable on days when psychiatric inpatient hospital services are reimbursed, except for the day of admission to psychiatric inpatient hospital services:*
  - (1) Adult Residential Treatment Services,*
  - (2) Crisis Residential Treatment Services,*
  - (3) Crisis Intervention,*
  - (4) Day Treatment Intensive,*
  - (5) Day Rehabilitation,*
  - (6) Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services, except as provided in Subsection (b),*
  - (7) Crisis Stabilization, and*
  - (8) Psychiatric Health Facility Services.*
- (b) Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services may be claimed for the same day as a psychiatric inpatient hospital services, if the beneficiary has exercised the bed hold option provided by Title 22, Sections 72520, 73504, 76506, and 76709.1, subject to the limitations of Title 22, Section 51535.1.*
- (c) When psychiatric inpatient hospital services are provided in a Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal hospital, in addition to the services listed in (a), psychiatrist services, psychologist services, mental health services, and medication support services are included in the per diem rate and not separately reimbursable, except for the day of admission.*

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<p>1) Regarding written information in English and the threshold languages to assist beneficiaries in accessing specialty mental health services, at a minimum, does the provider have the following information available:</p>			<p>Prior to provider onsite review, check threshold language(s) requirements for the provider.</p>
<p>A) The beneficiary brochure per MHP policies and procedures?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 7. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.360 (b)(3),(d) and (e) CCR, Title 9, § 1810.410 (e)(4)</i></p>			<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.360 (b) (3), (d) and (e)</b></p> <p><i>(b) Prior to the date the MHP begins operation, the Department shall mail a notice to all beneficiaries in a county containing the following information:</i></p> <p><i>(3) The availability of a booklet and provider list that contain the information required by Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 438.10(f)(6) and (g).</i></p> <p><i>(d) The Department shall provide an annual written notice to all Medi-Cal beneficiaries informing them of their right to request and obtain a booklet and provider list from the MHP that contains the information required by Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 438.10 (f) (6) and (g).</i></p> <p><i>(e) The MHP of the beneficiary shall provide its beneficiaries with a booklet and provider list upon request and when a beneficiary first receives a specialty mental health service from the MHP or its contract providers. This responsibility applies to the beneficiary's receipt of any specialty mental health services, including but not limited to an assessment to determine whether medical necessity criteria pursuant to Section 1830.205 are met.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.410 (e) (4)</b></p> <p><i>General Program literature used by the MHP to assist beneficiaries in accessing services including, but not limited to, the beneficiary brochure required by Section 1810.360(c) materials explaining the beneficiary problem resolution and fair hearing processes required by Section 1850.205(c)(1), and mental health education materials used by the MHP, in threshold languages, based on the threshold languages in the county as a whole.</i></p>

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FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
<p>B) The provider list per MHP policies and procedures?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 7. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.360 (b)(3),(d) and (e) CCR, Title 9, § 1810.410 (e) (4)</i></p>			<p><i>Please refer to the Title 9 regulations referenced in Category 1: Posted Brochures and Notices, #1 (A) above.</i></p> <p>The provider list must be available onsite upon intake and upon request in English and in threshold languages (if applicable).</p>
<p>C) The posted notice explaining grievance, appeal, expedited appeal, and fair hearings processes?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 15. CCR, Title 9, § 1850.205 (c)(1)(B) CCR, Title 9, § 1810.410 (e)(4)</i></p>			<p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1850.205 (c) (1) (B)</i></b></p> <p><i>Posting notices explaining grievance, appeal, and expedited appeal process procedures in locations at all MHP provider sites sufficient to ensure that the information is readily available to both beneficiaries and provider staff. The posted notice shall also explain the availability of fair hearings after the exhaustion of an appeal or expedited appeal process, including information that a fair hearing may be requested whether or not the beneficiary has received a notice of action pursuant to Section 1850.210. For the purposes of this Section, an MHP provider site means any office or facility owned or operated by the MHP or a provider contracting with the MHP at which beneficiaries may obtain specialty mental health services.</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.410 (e) (4)</i></b></p> <p><i>General Program literature used by the MHP to assist beneficiaries in accessing services including, but not limited to, the beneficiary brochure required by Section 1810.360(c) materials explaining the beneficiary problem resolution and fair hearing processes required by Section 1850.205(c)(1), and mental health education materials used by the MHP, in threshold languages, based on the threshold languages in the county as a whole.</i></p>

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FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
<p>D) The grievance forms, appeal forms, expedited appeal forms, and self-addressed envelopes?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 15. CCR, Title 9, § 1850.205 (c)(1)(C) CCR, Title 9, § 1810.410 (e)(4)</i></p>			<p><b><i>CCR Title 9, Section 1850.205 (c)(1)(C)</i></b></p> <p><i>Making forms that may be used to file grievances, appeals, and expedited appeals, and self-addressed envelopes available for beneficiaries to pick up at all MHP provider sites without having to make a verbal or written request to anyone.</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.410 (e) (4)</i></b></p> <p><i>General Program literature used by the MHP to assist beneficiaries in accessing services including, but not limited to, the beneficiary brochure required by Section 1810.360(c), materials explaining the beneficiary problem resolution and fair hearing processes required by Section 1850.205 (c) (1), and mental health education materials used by the MHP, in threshold languages, based on the threshold languages in the county as a whole.</i></p> <p><b>Note:</b> Check for grievance appeal forms in English and the threshold languages (if applicable). Also, check for envelopes addressed to the MHP. These documents should be available to beneficiaries without the need to make a verbal or written request.</p>

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<b>CATEGORY 2: FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION</b>		Criteria Met		
<b>FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA</b>		YES	NO	<b>GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS</b>
<p>A) Does the space owned, leased or operated by the provider and used for services or staff meet local fire codes?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.2. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b)(2)</i></p>				<p>Does the provider have a valid fire clearance?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The facility cannot be certified without a fire safety inspection that meets local fire codes.</li> <li>A new fire safety inspection may be required if the facility undergoes major renovation or other structural changes.</li> </ul> <p>Verify all fire exits are clear and unobstructed.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.435 (b) (2)</b></p> <p><i>(b) In selecting individual or group providers with which to contract, the MHP shall require that each individual or group provider:</i></p> <p><i>(2) Maintain a safe facility.</i></p>
<b>CATEGORY 3: PHYSICAL PLANT</b>		Criteria Met		
<b>EVALUATION CRITERIA</b>		YES	NO	<b>COMMENTS</b>
<p>A) Is the facility and its property clean, sanitary, and in good repair?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Free from hazards that might pose a danger to the beneficiary?</li> <li>Fire exits clear and unobstructed?</li> </ul>				<p>Please refer to the Title 9 regulation referenced in Category 2: Fire Safety Inspection, #1 above</p> <p>Tour the facility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Observe the building and grounds for actual and potential hazards (e.g. loose or torn carpeting, electrical cords that might pose a hazard).</li> </ul>
<p>B) Are all confidential and protected health information (PHI) secure?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.3. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b) (2)</i></p>				<p>Inspect Client Records Room</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Verify client records are maintained confidentially. Client records shall not be located where the public can view or have physical access to.</li> <li>Identify who has access to the client records room during and after business hours.</li> </ul>



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<b>CATEGORY 4: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES</b>	Criteria Met		
<b>EVALUATION CRITERIA</b>	YES	NO	<b>COMMENTS</b>
<p>Does the provider have the following policies and procedures and are they being implemented:</p> <p>A) Confidentiality and Protected Health Information.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure the MHP's policies and procedures match the actual process.</li> </ul>
<p>B) Emergency evacuation.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit F</i> <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1810.310 (a) (10)</i> <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b) (4)</i></p>			<p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.310 (a) (10)</i></b> <i>(10) A description of policies and procedures that assure beneficiary confidentiality in compliance with state and federal laws and regulations governing the confidentiality of personal or medical information, including mental health information, relating to beneficiaries.</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.435 (b) (4)</i></b> <i>(b) In selecting individual or group providers with which to contract, the MHP shall require that each individual or group provider:</i></p> <p><i>(4) Maintain client records in a manner that meets state and federal standards.</i></p>

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FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
<p>C) Personnel policies and procedures specific to screening licensed personnel/providers and checking the excluded provider lists.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.5. CCR, Title 9, §1840.314</i></p>			<p>Review the written policy and procedures to verify that the MHPs hire and contract only with individuals or direct service providers who:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Are eligible to claim for and receive state and federal funds;</li> <li>2. Have the required licensures that are valid and current; and</li> <li>3. Are not on any excluded provider lists.</li> </ol> <p>Verify that the MHP also has a process to verify the above upon hire or initiation of the contract as well as a timeline as to when periodic verifications will be performed.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> The MHP cannot employ or contract with individuals or providers excluded from participation in Federal health care programs under either CCR, title 42, section 1128 or section 1128A of the Social Security Act and CFR, title 42, section 438.214</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Verify that the MHPs P&amp;Ps identify the two required Excluded Individuals/Entities lists below as being checked periodically and prior to hire or initiation of a contract:</p> <p><a href="http://oig.hhs.gov/exclusions/exclusions_list.asp">http://oig.hhs.gov/exclusions/exclusions_list.asp</a></p> <p><a href="https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/SandILanding.asp">https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/SandILanding.asp</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Social Security Act, Sections 1128 and 1128A</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">CFR, Title 42, Sections 438.214 and 438.610</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">DMH Letter No. 10-05</a></li> </ul>

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D) General operating procedures.  <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.5. CCR, Title 9, § 533</i>			Check that the provider has a current administrative manual, which includes: general operating procedures (e.g., hours of operation, disaster procedures, emergency evacuation procedures, etc.).
E) Maintenance policy to ensure the safety and well-being of beneficiaries and staff.  <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.4. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435(b)(2)</i>			Is the building county-owned or leased? Review the building maintenance policy or the maintenance agreement between the MHP and owner of the building where services are provided.  <b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.435 (b) (2)</i></b> <i>(b) In selecting individual or group providers with which to contract, the MHP shall require that each individual or group provider:</i>  <i>(2) Maintain a safe facility.</i>
F) Service delivery policies.  <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.5. CCR, Title 9, §§ 1810.209-210 §§ 1810.212-213 §§ 1810.225, 1810.227 and 1810.249</i>			Review the written policies and procedures of services provided at the site. Check for policies and procedures regarding types of service intake process referral and linkage, length of services, discharge, and discontinuation of services.
G) Unusual occurrence reporting (UOR) procedures relating to health and safety issues.  <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.5. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b)(2)</i>			Review the written policies and procedures for the UOR processes.
H) Written procedures for referring individuals to a psychiatrist when necessary, or to a physician, if a psychiatrist is not available.  <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.8.</i>			Check that the provider has written procedures for referring individuals to a psychiatrist when necessary, or to a physician, if a psychiatrist is not available.

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p>A) Does the provider have as head of service a licensed mental health professional or other appropriate individual as described in CCR, Title 9, § 622 through 630?</p> <p>CCR, Title 9, § 680 (a)            CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (c)(3)            CCR, Title 9, §§ 622 through 630            MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.9.</p>			<p><b>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section L, 9</b>  <i>The organizational provider's head of service, as defined in California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 9, Sections 622 through 630, is a licensed mental health professional or other appropriate individual.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.435 (c) (3)</b>  <i>(c) In selecting organizational providers with which to contract, the MHP shall require that each provider:</i>  <i>(3) Have as head of service a licensed mental health professional or mental health rehabilitation specialist as described in Section 622 through 630.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 680 (a)</b>  <i>Outpatient services in Local Mental Health Services shall include:</i>  <i>(a) Minimum Professional Staff. Outpatient services shall be under the direction of a person who qualifies under Section 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629 or 630. In addition to the director, the minimum professional staff shall include a psychiatrist, psychologist, and social worker, except that under special circumstances the Department may authorize the operation of an outpatient service with less personnel.</i>  <i>In addition, the staff may include qualified registered nurses and other professional disciplines.</i></p> <p><i>A psychiatrist must assume medical responsibility as defined in Section 522, and be present at least half-time during which the services are provided except that under special circumstance the Department may modify this requirement.</i></p>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 622 Requirements for Professional Personnel</b> Wherever in these regulations the employment of a particular professional person is required, the minimum qualifications for that person shall be as hereinafter specified in this Article. Required experience shall mean full time equivalent experience. It is intended that these minimum qualifications shall apply to the head or chief of a particular service or professional discipline but not necessarily to subordinate employees of the same profession.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 623 Psychiatrist</b> A psychiatrist who directs a service shall have a license as a physician and surgeon in this state and show evidence of having completed the required course of graduate psychiatric education as specified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in a program of training accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, the American Medical Association or the American Osteopathic Association.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 624 Psychologist</b> A psychologist who directs a service shall have obtained a California license as a psychologist granted by the State Board of Medical Quality Assurance or obtain such licensure within two years following commencement of employment, unless continuously employed in the same class in the same program or facility as of January 1, 1979; and shall have two years of post-doctoral experience in a mental health setting.</p>			<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 625 Social Worker</b> A social worker who directs a service shall have a California license as a clinical social worker granted by the State Board of Behavioral Science Examiners or obtain such licensure within three years following the commencement of employment, unless continuously employed in the same class in the same program or facility as of January 1, 1979, or enrolled in an accredited doctoral program in social work, social welfare, or social science; and shall have two years of post master's experience in a mental health setting.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 626 Marriage, Family and Child Counselor</b> A marriage, family and child counselor who directs a service shall have obtained a California license as a marriage, family, and child counselor granted by the State Board of Behavioral Science Examiners and have received specific instructions, or its equivalent, as required for licensure on January 1, 1981, and shall have two years of post-master's experience in a mental health setting. The term, specific instruction, contained in Sections 5751 and 5751.3 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, shall not be limited to school, college, or university classroom instruction, but may include equivalent demonstrated experience in assessment, diagnosis, prognosis, and counseling, and psychotherapeutic treatment of premarital, marriage, family, and child relationship dysfunctions.</p>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 627 Nurse</b> A nurse shall be licensed to practice as a registered nurse by the Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration in this State and possess a master's degree in psychiatric or public health nursing, and two years of nursing experience in a mental health setting. Additional post-baccalaureate nursing experience in a mental health setting may be substituted on a year-for-year basis for the educational requirement.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 628 Licensed Vocational Nurse</b> A licensed vocational nurse shall have a license to practice vocational nursing by the Board of Vocational Nurse and Psychiatric Technician Examiners and possess six years of post-license experience in a mental health setting. Up to four years of college or university education may be substituted for the required vocational nursing experience on a year-for-year basis.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 629 Psychiatric Technician</b> A psychiatric technician shall have a current license to practice as a psychiatric technician by the Board of Vocational Nurse and Psychiatric Technician Examiners and six years of post-license experience in a mental health setting. Up to four years of college or university education may be substituted for the required psychiatric technician experience on a year-for-year basis.</p>			<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 630 Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist</b> A mental health rehabilitation specialist shall be an individual who has a baccalaureate degree and four years of experience in a mental health setting as a specialist in the fields of physical restoration, social adjustment, or vocational adjustment. Up to two years of graduate professional education may be substituted for the experience requirement on a year-for-year basis; up to two years of post-associate arts clinical experience may be substituted for the required educational experience in addition to the requirement of four years experience in a mental health setting.</p> <p><b>BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE SECTION 4999.20</b> (a)(1) "Professional clinical counseling" means the application of counseling interventions and psychotherapeutic techniques to identify and remediate cognitive, mental, and emotional issues, including personal growth, adjustment to disability, crisis intervention, and psychosocial and environmental problems, and the use, application, and integration of the coursework and training required by Sections 4999.32 and 4999.33. "Professional clinical counseling" includes conducting assessments for the purpose of establishing counseling goals and objectives to empower individuals to deal adequately with life situations, reduce stress, experience growth, change behavior, and make well-informed, rational decisions. (2) "Professional clinical counseling" is focused exclusively on the application of counseling interventions and psychotherapeutic techniques for the purposes of improving mental health, and is not intended to capture other, nonclinical forms of counseling for the purposes of licensure. For purposes of this paragraph, "nonclinical" means non-mental health. (3) "Professional clinical counseling" does not include the assessment or treatment of couples or families unless the professional clinical counselor has completed all of the (required) training and education: (4) "Professional clinical counseling" does not include the provision of clinical social work services.</p>

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CATEGORY 7: MEDICATION SUPPORT SERVICES	Criteria Met		
EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<b>Does the provider store or maintain medications on site?</b>			If the response is 'NO', indicate that in the 'Criteria Met' column and skip the remaining category.
<b>1. POLICIES AND PROCEDURES</b>  A) Policies and procedures are in place for dispensing, administering, and storing medications.  <i>MHP Contract</i>			
<b>2. LABELING</b>  A) All medications obtained by prescription are labeled in compliance with federal and state laws. Prescription labels are altered only by persons legally authorized to do so.  <i>MHP Contract</i>			Ask how the Provider ensures prescriptions are labeled in compliance with federal and state laws.  Check the medication labels for compliance.  <u>NOTE:</u> Prescription labels may be altered only by persons legally authorized to do so.
B) Intramuscular multi-dose vials are dated and initialed when opened.  <i>MHP Contract</i>			Determine how multi-dose vials are stored. Check the multi-dose vials to see if any opened multi-dose vials are dated, initialed and refrigerated (e.g. insulin, tuberculin).
<b>3. MEDICATION STORAGE</b>  A) Medications intended for external use only and food stuffs are stored separately from drugs intended for internal use.  <i>MHP Contract; CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435(b) (3)</i>			Ask to see the medications used for external use only – check the labels and expiration dates.  Verify that external medications are stored separately from oral and injectable medications.  <u>No food</u> should be stored in the same refrigerator as medications.
B) Medications are stored at proper temperatures: room temperature medications at 59-86 degrees Fahrenheit and refrigerated medications at 36-46 degrees Fahrenheit.  <i>MHP Contract; CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435(b) (3)</i>			Check room and refrigerator <u>thermometers</u> to verify that they are at the appropriate temperatures. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Room temperature medications at 59° F – 86° F?</li> <li>• Refrigerated medications at 36° F – 46° F?</li> </ul>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p>C) Medications are stored in a locked area with access limited to those medical personnel authorized to prescribe, dispense or administer medication.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b) (3)</i></p>			<p>Check the medication storage area and how the area is secured/locked. Identify who has access to the medication room or ask to see a list of staff who have access.</p> <p><b>NOTE: Per the Medical Board regarding Medical Assistants:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Medical assistants are allowed to have access to the keys of the narcotic medication cabinet as long as there is an in-house procedure and the determination to allow this practice is made by the supervising physician or podiatrist.</li>   <li>2. Medical assistants may hand patients properly-labeled and pre-packaged prescriptions drugs (excluding controlled substances) that have been ordered by a licensed physician, podiatrist, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or nurse midwife. The properly-labeled and pre-packaged prescription drug must have the patient's name affixed to the package, and the physician, podiatrist, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or nurse midwife must verify it is the correct medication and dosage for that specific patient and provide the appropriate patient consultation regarding use of the drug prior to the medical assistant handing medication to a patient.</li> </ol>



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CATEGORY 7: MEDICATION SUPPORT SERVICES <i>(Continued)</i>	Criteria Met		
EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p><b>6. MEDICATION DISPOSAL</b></p> <p>A) Medications are not maintained after the expiration date.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract</i></p>			<p>Ask how expired medications are monitored and checked.</p> <p>Ask how the expired medications are disposed of at the site, the staff involved, and how often this occurs.</p> <p>Verify the location of where the expired medications are stored.</p> <p>Check the expiration dates of the medications stored. For all medications expired and still on the shelf, list the name of the medication and date of the expiration in the POC.</p>
<p>C) A medication log is maintained to ensure the provider disposes of expired, contaminated, deteriorated and abandoned drugs in a manner <i>consistent with state and federal laws</i>.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract</i></p>			<p>Ask how expired, contaminated, deteriorated and abandoned medications are disposed of. Is it in a manner consistent with state and federal laws?</p> <p>Ask to see the medication log where the expired, contaminated, deteriorated or abandoned medications are recorded.</p> <p>Ask how Schedule II, III, or IV controlled drugs are handled.</p>

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(A POC is required for items where Federal and State criteria were not met)

IS A PLAN OF CORRECTION (POC) REQUIRED?  YES  NO  
*(The POC is a separate form)*

DATE POC ISSUED: \_\_\_\_\_

POC DUE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(POC due 30 days from date issued)*

DATE POC RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE POC APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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**NEW CERTIFICATION** activation approval date is the latest date the following three (3) items are in place:

- 1) *Date provider was operational (client received 1<sup>st</sup> services):* \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) *Date of fire clearance:* \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) *Date the provider requested certification (complete application received by DHCS Cert Unit):* \_\_\_\_\_

*New Certification Activation/approval date:* \_\_\_\_\_

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**RECERTIFICATION** site visit for: Triennial, Change of Address, and/or any significant changes in the physical plant of the provider site

Fire Clearance Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of On-Site: \_\_\_\_\_

*Re-certification approval date: (Generally, this is the date of on-site review)* \_\_\_\_\_

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On-Site and Report Completed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Onsite: \_\_\_\_\_