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TO: Behavioral Technicians

FROM: Charles Crisp, Director
Office of Medicaid Provider Services

RE: Newly Enrolling Behavioral Technician Enrollment Backdates

NOTE: **Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.**

This transmittal updates enrollment guidance regarding effective dates for newly enrolling Behavioral Technicians (BT) following the launch of the new provider enrollment system, MPRIME, October 13, 2026.

Newly enrolling BTs who submit a new enrollment application MPRIME by December 31, 2026, and receive approval for enrollment, are eligible for a backdated enrollment effective date of August 1, 2026, which corresponds to the start date of the application hold. This is the earliest eligible backdate that can be awarded. Standard enrollment requirements still apply.

As BTs are only eligible to be enrolled for a 150-day period, providers may request an effective date later than August 1, 2026, in their new enrollment application. To request a later effective date, the provider must enter the requested date in the 'Issuance Date' field within the application. Upon enrollment approval, the date entered in this field will be the official effective date.

For example, if a BT began providing BT services to Maryland Medicaid participants through their group on September 1, 2026, the provider should enter 9/1/2026 in that field. Upon approval, the 150-day enrollment period would run from September 1, 2026, through January 29, 2027. This ensures providers who began providing services after August 1st receive the full 150-day enrollment period.

To locate the 'Issuance Date' field in MPRIME, go to the "Additional Certifications" section in the application. Select "Yes" to the question "Do you have additional certifications relevant to your provider type?" and enter the date in the Issuance Date field. A High School Diploma or

equivalent document is uploaded in this same section. A visual walkthrough is available on page 8, item 14 of the Individual Renderer Provider New Enrollment Application Guide.

Registered Behavior Technician Enrollment

BTs may submit their RBT certifications to enroll as a Registered Behavior Technician at any time before or after their 150-day enrollment period expires. This certificate should be submitted in a new enrollment application.

Enrollment Backdate Deadline

Backdated enrollment effective dates will not be granted for new BT applications submitted after December 31, 2026. For any new BT applications submitted after December 31, 2026, providers must enter the exact date of application submission in the 'Issuance Date' field.

For any questions regarding enrollment, please contact mdh.providerenrollment@maryland.gov

For any questions regarding the 150-day waiver, please contact mdh.aba@maryland.gov