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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FQHC Transmittal October 11, 2016

TO:

Federally Qualified Health Centers

FROM:

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RE:

Documenting Behavioral Health Services Billed in FQHC Settings

NOTE:

Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed

of the contents of this transmittal

This transmittal provides clarification on current billing practices for behavioral health services delivered in FQHC settings. Although it would be highly unusual for a patient to see four different FQHC rendering providers in one day, the Department would allow the billing of one medical, one substance use disorder, one mental health and one dental encounter in a day per participant. All but the dental encounter should be billed using the T1015 code for the FQHC's cost based rate. The dental all-inclusive code is D0999.

When billing Beacon Health Options for behavioral health services using the T1015 code there must also be a corresponding CPT code for mental health services or H-code for substance use services to indicate the service rendered. Each service rendered should be listed with a \$0.00 amount on the claim.

The appropriate CPT codes for mental health services can be found here: http://maryland.beaconhealthoptions.com/provider/claims_finance/PMHS-Reimbursement-Schedule.pdf The appropriate H-codes for substance use services can be found here: http://maryland.beaconhealthoptions.com/provider/claims_finance/SUD-Fee-Schedule2.pdf

Effective November 1st, claims will reject if services rendered are not indicated on the FQHC claims submitted.

For providers delivering Buprenorphine Services:

When providing Buprenorphine induction services FQHCs may use the H0016 code to identify the service delivered. Buprenorphine administration is not considered to be a separate medical service; it should be billed as part of the SUD service(s) being provided to the participant on that day. FQHCs should bill one T-code for all SUD services, including Buprenorphine.