

## ***FYI Fridays***

### **Policy Guidance and DBH Updates**

*October 26, 2018*

1. **TOMORROW! DEA National Rx Take Back Day** - Unused or expired prescription medications at home are a public safety issue and can lead to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse. Unused prescriptions thrown in the trash can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. The misuse and abuse of [over-the-counter medications, illicit drugs, alcohol, and tobacco](#) affect the health and well-being of millions of Americans.

Tomorrow, **Saturday, October 27, 2018, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern Time**, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), in partnership with federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement, businesses, medical offices, agencies, and first responders, will host events to collect and safely dispose of unwanted medications.

Removing unwanted or expired medications from the medicine cabinet is an easy and concrete step that everyone can take to make a difference in the opioid crisis. Make plans now to dispose of your unwanted medications during DEA National Rx Take Back Day.

[Find a DEA Collection Site](#)

2. **Telehealth Services Expansion Coming Soon** - The Division is currently working to update service codes in CIMOR to include expansion of eligible telehealth services in CPRP and CSTAR. We believe expanded use of telehealth services will increase access for individuals while also saving resources.

If your agency bills behavioral health services outside of CIMOR (directly to Medicaid), expanded use of telehealth is already available. Here is the link to the Medicaid Behavioral Health Services manual: [http://manuals.momed.com/collections/collection\\_psy/print.pdf](http://manuals.momed.com/collections/collection_psy/print.pdf). This manual has not yet been updated to reflect all services billable when provided via telehealth. The MO HealthNet Division has informed us that behavioral health services billed by a qualified provider may be provided via telehealth with the 02 place of service; use of the GT modifier is not necessary. Please also see the following provider bulletins from MO HealthNet regarding 02 place of service and telehealth:

<https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pdf/bulletin41-20-2018.pdf>

<https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pdf/bulletin41-10-2018aug17.pdf>

We will update providers once the CIMOR work is complete and expanded use of telehealth services are available for billing. If you have questions, please contact [Natalie.Cook@dmh.mo.gov](mailto:Natalie.Cook@dmh.mo.gov).

3. **Plunkett Hired as New Criminal Justice Services Manager** – We are excited to report that **Angie Plunkett** will be joining the DBH team on November 5 as the Criminal Justice Services Manager! Angie brings to the position extensive experience in criminal justice programming. She served as a Probation and Parole Officer for 14 years before her employment with the Office of State Courts Administrator (OSCA). She has held various positions within OSCA since 2005, with the last eight years serving as the State Treatment Court Coordinator.

4. **NASADAD's Summary of the "SUPPORT" Bill Signed by Trump** - This week, President Trump signed into law the Substance Use Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment ("SUPPORT") for Patients and Communities Act. Stay tuned for NASADAD's section-by-section summary of the final bill.

As a reminder, some of the provisions in the bill include:

- Reauthorizing grants to States to address the opioid crisis (previously authorized in the 21st Century Cures Act of 2016), and adding to the grant program a 5% set-aside for Indian tribes, as well as up to a 15% set-aside for States and Tribes with the highest age-adjusted rate of drug overdose deaths based on CDC data. **The bill authorizes \$500 million for each of FY 2019 - FY 2021.**
- Establishing a grant program for emergency rooms to create a protocol to support individuals who have survived an opioid overdose, including having onsite peer recovery coaches.
- Creating a grant program to establish at least 10 Comprehensive Opioid Recovery Centers (CORCs) throughout the U.S.
- Developing and disseminating best practices for recovery housing.
- Student loan repayment for SUD treatment professionals in mental health professional shortage areas or counties that have been hardest hit by drug overdoses.
- Reauthorizing the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), as well as the Drug-Free Communities (DFC) and High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) programs.
- Reauthorizing SAMHSA's Residential Treatment for Pregnant and Postpartum Women (PPW) program for FY 2019-FY 2023.
- **Temporarily (FY 2019-FY 2023) repealing the IMD exclusion, allowing State Medicaid programs to receive federal reimbursement for up to 30 total days of care in an IMD during a 12-month period for eligible individuals with a substance use disorder.**
- Adding clinical nurse specialists, certified nurse anesthetists, certified nurse midwives, and allopathic and osteopathic doctors to the category of qualifying practitioners who can prescribe buprenorphine.

5. **Top 5 Disruptive Trends to Watch in Healthcare** (from **Managed Healthcare Executive**) – Interesting!  
[http://www.managedhealthcareexecutive.com/non-hodgkin-lymphoma/top-5-disruptive-trends-watch-healthcare?rememberme=1&elq\\_mid=3953&elq\\_cid=883880&GUID=](http://www.managedhealthcareexecutive.com/non-hodgkin-lymphoma/top-5-disruptive-trends-watch-healthcare?rememberme=1&elq_mid=3953&elq_cid=883880&GUID=)

- 1) On-line retailers
- 2) Personalized, targeted therapies
- 3) Social determinants of health
- 4) Artificial and augmented intelligence
- 5) State government interventions

## Training Opportunities and Resources

1. **2018 Children and Youth in Disasters Conference** – Scheduled for **October 29-30, 2018** at Tan-Tar-A. Day 1 is from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. Day 2 is from 8 am to 12:30 pm. This conference will appeal to a wide variety of partners who may be called upon to assist in disaster scenarios that impact children occurring anywhere in the state of Missouri. Registration and more info:  
<https://health.mo.gov/emergencies/ert/childreneyouthdisasterconference.php>
2. **KC - OEND Train the Trainers** - The MO-HOPE Project is conducting an overdose education and naloxone distribution trainings of trainers in Kansas City on **November 7, 2018, from 1-4pm**. Organizations interested in training are asked to limit themselves to five (5) participants due to limited space. Registration info: <https://mohopeproject.org/train-the-trainer-conducting-overdose-education-and-naloxone-distribution-oend-with-at-risk-populations-training-clinicians-and-front-line-service-providers-010718/>

3. **Certified Peer Specialist Supervision Training** – The Missouri Credentialing Board (MCB) will be offering the CPS Supervision Training. This training is free and lunch is provided. The training location and date is **Monday, November 26, 2018** in Cape Girardeau. [Click Here For the November Registration Form](#)

*Look for updates on different topics/initiatives next Friday!*