

PROVIDER ALERT

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To: CT BHP Inpatient Providers

Subject: Hospital Inpatient Behavioral Health

Dear Provider,

This bulletin is being sent to inpatient providers to clarify hospital billing between behavioral health and medical diagnosis codes. This is a clarification of provider bulletin 11-18 because as providers were unclear about what to do for Medicaid and Medicaid LIA clients with a diagnosis of 291.0. Effective April 1, 2011, all inpatient behavioral health PA requests with a primary diagnosis of 291-316 are made through the CT BHP. Additionally, CT BHP will review admissions for patients with a diagnosis of 291.0 if the patient is admitted to an inpatient psychiatric or detoxification unit.

Inpatient admissions for Medicaid Fee-for-Service / MLIA clients with the primary diagnosis of 291.0 (Alcohol withdrawal delirium), with a Revenue Center Code (RCC) other than 114, 116, 124, 126, 134, 136, 144, 146, 154, 156 or 204, will be considered a non-behavioral health admission; therefore hospitals will need to contact Qualidigm for the authorization request. Any Prior Authorization requested received by Qualidigm between April 1, 2011 and May 11, 2011 for behavioral health admissions with this diagnosis will be reviewed by Qualidigm.

Please contact the Provider Relations staff at the CT BHP ASO by calling 1-877-552-8247 with any questions concerning this transmittal.

We thank you for your participation and look forward to working with you.

Provider Relations CT Behavioral Health Partnership