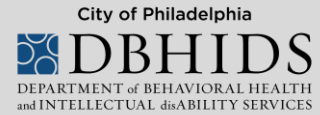




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Termination of Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Services (BHRS) Levels of Care

In 2019, the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (PA DHS) Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (OMHSAS) issued guidance providing for the transition of Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Services (BHRS) to Intensive Behavioral Health Services (IBHS). A one-year transition period commenced on January 17, 2020 and will conclude on January 17, 2021.

CBH has been working with In-Network and Out-of-Network providers to support the transition from BHRS to IBHS over the past several months in anticipation of the termination of the BHRS program. All CBH In-Network and Out-of-Network providers contracted for BHRS are expected to obtain IBHS licensure or complete an Attestation reflecting compliance with IBHS regulations no later than January 17, 2021.

To further support the transition to IBHS, CBH will be terminating all active (i.e. 400) BHRS Levels of Care effective January 17, 2021. Termination of all BHRS Levels of Care will also result in the end-dating of all BHRS contracts and related authorizations. All active BHRS contracts will be converted to IBHS on or before January 17.

Providers who have not been issued an IBHS license by January 17, 2021 should continue to provide IBHS under their IBHS Attestation. For providers operating under an IBHS Attestation, PROMISE enrollments for BHRS should remain open until their IBHS license has been issued and the program is enrolled under the State assigned IBHS Provider Types and Specialties.

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