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Date:	June 17, 2015
To:	Executive Directors of certified/licensed alcohol and other drug treatment programs Board Executive Directors
From:	Tracy Plouck, Director
RE:	Collection of behavioral health data

Ohio Behavioral Health (OHBH) system reporting statistics indicate a substantial decrease in reporting on the part of certified substance abuse treatment programs for which this reporting is required. OhioMHAS was informed earlier this year by SAMHSA's contractor that the Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS) data embedded in OHBH and submitted to SAMHSA showed a 72% drop in admissions from 2012 to 2013. OHBH submission data generated by OhioMHAS suggests that providers reporting OHBH dropped from 274 in SFY 2011 to 165 to date in SFY 2015. Furthermore, OHBH-reported admissions fell from 148,874 to 55,842 during this same time period. We know that given the current climate of Medicaid expansion and the battle against opiate abuse, this drop in admissions data is best explained by lapses in reporting.

As described in the attached June 8, 2012 memorandum, the OHBH web based application collects datasets which the department is required to submit to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). This includes TEDS and SAMHSA's National Outcome Measures (NOMS) for treatment. Furthermore, the behavioral health data set is used by the department to meet performance management requirements under the SAMHSA Block Grant and required by Ohio Revised Code 5119.61(A).

The submission of OHBH admission, discharge and transfer data is a requirement for certified substance abuse treatment programs for any client paid in whole or in part by public dollars. A management report within the OHBH production site has been re-established to enable programs to view their submission rates. Please review this report and plan to submit required data commencing with all currently active eligible clients. The Department will monitor and follow-up with agencies for non-compliance.

OhioMHAS' authority to collect behavioral health data, including data for Medicaid only clients, can be found in Ohio Revised Code 340.08(F), 340.08(H) and 5119.22 and 5119.61.

ORC 340.08(F) directs boards to "provide to the department information to be submitted to the community addiction and mental health information system or systems established by the department under Chapter 5119 of the Revised Code."

ORC 5119.22(F) gives the department the ability to specify the information to be collected and reported by boards and programs.

ORC 5119.61(B) states, "No alcohol, drug addiction, or mental health services provider shall fail to supply statistics and other information within its knowledge and with respect to its services, upon request of the department."

OhioMHAS appreciates your continued support of providing the OHBH information to support information analyses that demonstrate the value of treatment. If your agency does not currently have an active OHBH account, access can be established in two steps:

- First, the staff responsible for OHBH records submission must register for an account through the web portal located at: https://prod.ada.ohio.gov/Registrar/

- Second, authorization of access will be facilitated by the agency CEO through an email that specifies the name(s) of the staff who have registered for OHBH access. These authorizing emails must be sent to: MHAhelpdesk@mha.ohio.gov

For policy questions related to OHBH management, please contact Carol Carstens at Carol.Carstens@mha.ohio.gov . For technical questions related to data upload and submission, please contact Bill Wallace at William.Wallace@mha.ohio.gov.

Attachments: June 8, 2012 Memorandum

c: Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities
Ohio Association of Recovery Providers
Ohio Council of Behavioral Health and Family Services Providers
Senior Staff

Ohio | Department of Alcohol & Drug Addiction Services

Ohio | Department of Mental Health

Orman Hall, ODADAS Director • **John R. Kasich**, Governor • **Tracy J. Plouck**, ODMH Director

Date: June 8, 2012

To: Executive Directors of ODADAS-certified/licensed alcohol and other drug treatment programs
ADAMHS/ADAS Board Executive Directors

From: Orman Hall, Director, ODADAS
Tracy Plouck, Director, ODMH

RE: Continued collection of ODADAS behavioral health data post-Medicaid transfer to ODJFS

With Medicaid claims for dates of service on and after July 1, 2012 being submitted directly to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) for processing by the Medicaid Information Technology System (MITS), questions have been raised about collection of behavioral health data by ODADAS for Medicaid only clients. Specifically, the department has been asked whether data will continue to be collected for Medicaid only clients using the OHBH tool. ODADAS will continue to collect behavioral health data for all clients receiving alcohol and other drug treatment services paid in whole or in part by public funds, including information on Medicaid only clients.

The OHBH web based application is one of the information collection tools the department uses. This tool collects datasets which the department is required to submit to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). This includes the Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS) and SAMHSA's National Outcome Measures (NOMS) for treatment. Furthermore, the behavioral health data is used by ODADAS to meet performance management requirements under the SAMHSA Block Grant and required by Ohio Revised Code 3793.12(D).

ODADAS' authority to collect behavioral health data, including data for Medicaid only clients, can be found in Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 340.033(4), ORC 3793.04, and ORC 3793.12.

ORC 340.033(4) directs boards to "provide to the department information to be included in the information system or systems established by the department under section 3793.04 of the Revised Code"

ORC 3793.04 gives the department the ability to specify the information to be collected and reported by boards and programs: "The department of alcohol and drug addiction services shall specify the information that must be provided by boards of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services and by alcohol and drug addiction programs for inclusion in the system. The department shall not collect any personal information from the boards except as required or permitted by state or federal law for

purposes related to payment, health care operations, program and service evaluation, reporting activities, research, system administration, and oversight."

ORC 3793.12(B) states "No alcohol or drug addiction program shall fail to supply statistics and other information within its knowledge and with respect to its programs, upon request of the department."

ODADAS appreciates your continued support of providing the OHBH information to support information analyses that demonstrates the value of treatment. Information will be forthcoming later detailing any required technical changes to any of the ODADAS data collection tools.

c: Ohio Association of Child Caring Agencies
Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities
Ohio Council of Behavioral Health and Family Services Providers
Senior Staff