TO: All ADAMH/ADAS/CMH Boards  
All Community AoD and MH Providers

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MH Assessment by a non-Physician – ODMH will allow the use of all currently valid V-codes for this service as well as all valid AoD diagnosis codes in MACSIS.

MH Assessment by a Physician – ODMH will continue to disallow the use of V-codes with the exception of the three V-codes we allow per ODMH Advisory Number 6-FY11-8, dated June 30, 2011: V61.20 (parent child relationship problem); V61.21 (neglect, physical abuse, or sexual abuse of child); and V62.82 (bereavement). ODMH will continue to disallow the use of an AoD diagnosis when associated with this service. The ODMH numbered advisory referenced above can be found at: http://mentalhealth.ohio.gov/assets/numbered-advisories/fy2011/6-fy11-8-memo-macsis-updates.pdf.

MH Crisis Intervention – The use of all valid V-codes for this service is currently allowable. ODMH will continue to disallow the use of an AoD diagnosis when associated with this service. This service is designed to assess the emergent situation, the consumer's risk of harm to self and/or others, etc. and is not a service in which a complete mental health assessment of the consumer should be performed. This is consistent with ODMH's original decision to open up billing the use of all valid V-codes, which ODMH believes is sufficient to address situations in which the individual is not previously known to the agency. Providers should familiarize themselves with the full range of V-codes which are much more expansive than those that are available under DSM-IV-TR.

AoD Assessment – In addition to the AoD diagnosis codes, ODADAS will allow the use of all currently valid V-codes when billed for this service.

AoD Crisis Intervention – Unlike ODMH's rule which allows the MH crisis intervention service to be provided to persons prior to an assessment, ODADAS' crisis intervention service is only able to be provided to a person who has been admitted to treatment which occurs post assessment and post identification of an AoD diagnosis or AoD diagnoses. Therefore, no change is being made for billing diagnoses associated with this service.

ODMH and ODADAS will make these changes so that services provided on and after July 1, 2011 that are billed after the implementation date will process accordingly. We are planning to implement these updates in the next few weeks and will communicate the specific date as soon as possible.