

# SD/MC PROVIDER CERTIFICATION & RE-CERTIFICATION PROTOCOL

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<b>PROVIDER NUMBER:</b> <b>PROVIDER NAME:</b> <b>ADDRESS:</b> <b>CITY:</b>	<b>NPI #:</b>  <b>ZIP:</b>	<b>PROGRAM PHONE NUMBER:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>
			<b>DAYS/HOURS OF OPERATION:</b>
<b>TYPE OF REVIEW (Please specify):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>CERTIFICATION</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>RE-CERTIFICATION</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Address Change</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Name Change</b>			<b>ADA ACCESSIBLE:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
<b>CONTRA COSTA MENTAL HEALTH PLAN (CCMHP) REPRESENTATIVE:</b>		<b>PROVIDER REPRESENTATIVE (S):</b>	
<b>SERVICES PROVIDED</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>05/20</b> Non-Hospital PHF    H2013	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/01</b> Case Mgmt/Brokerage    T1017 • 15/07 Intensive Care Coordination (ICC)    T1017	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/60</b> Medication Support    H2010	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>05/40</b> Crisis Residential    H0018	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/30</b> Mental Health Services    H2015 • 15/57 Intensive Home Based Services (IHBS)    H2015	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/70</b> Crisis Intervention    H2011	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>05/65</b> Adult Residential    H0019	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>15/58</b> Therapeutic Behavioral Services    H2019	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>10/20</b> CSU: Emergency Rm    S9484	
<p><b>NOTE:</b> Identify the names, addresses, phone numbers, and hours of operation of school and satellite sites and indicate which sites store medications.</p> <p>“Satellite” is defined as a site that is owned, leased or operated by an MHP or an organizational provider at which specialty mental health services are delivered to beneficiaries fewer than 20 hours per week, or, if located at a multiagency site, at which specialty mental health services are delivered by no more than two MHP employees or contractors of the provider." <u>Note:</u> A satellite must have an NPI #.</p> <p>Source: Please refer to MHP Contract Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.c.</p>			

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<b>LICENSED TO OPERATE:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
<b>POPULATION SERVED:</b>	Ages
<b>LANGUAGES:</b>	
<b>SPECIALTIES:</b>	
<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:</b>	
<b>PHONE NUMBER:</b>	
<b>E-MAIL:</b>	
<b>PROGRAM DIRECTOR:</b>	
<b>PHONE NUMBER:</b>	
<b>E-MAIL:</b>	
<b>QUALITY MANAGEMENT/ ADMINISTRATIVE/BILLING ASSISTANT:</b>	
<b>PHONE NUMBER:</b>	
<b>E-MAIL:</b>	
<b>PROGRAM'S MAILING ADDRESS:</b>	

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Use Categories 1-5 for all modes of service/service functions.

Category 6 for Medication Support 15/60.

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### LOCKOUTS

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.360. Lockouts for Day Rehabilitation and Day Treatment Intensive

*Day Rehabilitation and Day Treatment Intensive are not reimbursable under the following circumstances:*

- (a) *When Crisis Residential Treatment Services, Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services, Psychiatric Health Facility Services or Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services are reimbursed, except for the day of admission to those services.*
- (b) *Mental Health Services are not reimbursable when provided by Day Rehabilitation or Day Treatment Intensive staff during the same time period that Day Rehabilitation or Day Treatment Intensive is provided.*
- (c) *Two full-day or one full-day and one half-day or two half-day programs may not be provided to the same beneficiary on the same day.*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.362. Lockouts for Adult Residential Treatment Services.

*Adult Residential Treatment Services are not reimbursable under the following circumstances:*

- (a) *When Crisis Residential Treatment Services, Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services, Psychiatric Health Facility, or Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services are reimbursed, except for the day of admission.*
- (b) *When an organizational provider of both Mental Health Services and Adult Residential Treatment Services allocates the same staff's time under the two cost centers of Mental Health Services and Adult Residential Treatment Services for the same period of time.*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.364. Lockouts for Residential Treatment Services

*Crisis Residential Treatment Services are not reimbursable on days when the following services are reimbursed, except for day of admission to Crisis Residential Treatment Services:*

- (a) *Mental Health Services*
- (b) *Day Treatment Intensive*
- (c) *Day Rehabilitation*
- (d) *Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services*
- (e) *Psychiatric Health Facility Services*
- (f) *Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services*
- (g) *Adult Residential Treatment Services*
- (i) *Crisis Stabilization*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.366. Lockouts for Crisis Intervention

- (a) *Crisis Intervention is not reimbursable on days when Crisis Residential Treatment Services, Psychiatric Health Facility Services, Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services, or Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services are reimbursed, except for the day of admission to those services.*
- (b) *The maximum amount claimable for Crisis Intervention in a 24-hour period is **8 hours**.*

#### CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.368. Lockouts for Crisis Stabilization

- (a) *Crisis Stabilization is not reimbursable on days when Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services, Psychiatric Health Facility Services, or Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services are reimbursed, except on the day of admission to those services.*
- (b) *Crisis Stabilization is a package program and NO OTHER specialty mental health services are reimbursable during the same time period this service is reimbursed, except for Targeted Case Management.*
- (c) *The maximum number of hours claimable for Crisis Stabilization in a 24-hour period is **20 hours**.*

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<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.370 Lockouts for Psychiatric Health Facility Services</b></p> <p><i>Psychiatric Health Facility Services are not reimbursable on days when the following services are reimbursed, except for day of admission to Psychiatric Health Facility Services:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) Adult Residential Treatment Services</i></li> <li><i>(b) Crisis Residential Treatment Services</i></li> <li><i>(c) Crisis Intervention</i></li> <li><i>(d) Day Treatment Intensive</i></li> <li><i>(e) Day Rehabilitation</i></li> <li><i>(f) Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services</i></li> <li><i>(g) Medication Support Services</i></li> <li><i>(h) Mental Health Services</i></li> <li><i>(i) Crisis Stabilization</i></li> <li><i>(j) Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services.</i></li> </ul> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.374. Lockouts for Targeted Case Management Services</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) Targeted Case Management Services are not reimbursable on days when the following services are reimbursed, except for day of admission or for placement services as provided in Subsection (b): (1) Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services; (2) Psychiatric Health Facility Services; (3) Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services.</i></li> <li><i>(b) Targeted Case Management Services, solely for the purpose of coordinating placement of the beneficiary on discharge from the hospital, psychiatric health facility or psychiatric nursing facility, may be provided during the 30 calendar days immediately prior to the day of discharge, for a maximum of three nonconsecutive periods of 30 calendar days or less per continuous stay in the facility.</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.372 Lockouts for Medication Support Services - <i>The maximum amount claimable for Medication Support Services in a 24-hour period is 4 hours.</i></b></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.215 Lockouts for Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) The following services are not reimbursable on days when psychiatric inpatient hospital services are reimbursed, except for the day of admission to psychiatric inpatient hospital services:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(1) Adult Residential Treatment Services,</i></li> <li><i>(2) Crisis Residential Treatment Services,</i></li> <li><i>(3) Crisis Intervention,</i></li> <li><i>(4) Day Treatment Intensive,</i></li> <li><i>(5) Day Rehabilitation,</i></li> <li><i>(6) Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services, except as provided in Subsection (b),</i></li> <li><i>(7) Crisis Stabilization, and</i></li> <li><i>(8) Psychiatric Health Facility Services.</i></li> </ul> </li> <li><i>(b) Psychiatric Nursing Facility Services may be claimed for the same day as a psychiatric inpatient hospital services, if the beneficiary has exercised the bed hold option provided by Title 22, Sections 72520, 73504, 76506, and 76709.1, subject to the limitations of Title 22, Section 51535.1.</i></li> <li><i>(c) When psychiatric inpatient hospital services are provided in a Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal hospital, in addition to the services listed in (a), psychiatrist services, psychologist services, mental health services, and medication support services are included in the per diem rate and not separately reimbursable, except for the day of admission.</i></li> </ul>

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FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
1) Regarding written information in English and the threshold languages to assist beneficiaries in accessing specialty mental health services, at a minimum, does the provider have the following information available:			Prior to provider onsite review, check threshold language(s) requirements for the provider.
<p>A) The beneficiary brochure per MHP policies and procedures are visible to consumers and separated by language?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 7. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.360 (b)(3),(d) and (e) CCR, Title 9, § 1810.410 (e)(4)</i></p>			<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.360 (b) (3), (d) and (e)</b></p> <p><i>(b) Prior to the date the MHP begins operation, the Department shall mail a notice to all beneficiaries in a county containing the following information:</i></p> <p><i>(3) The availability of a booklet and provider list that contain the information required by Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 438.10(f)(6) and (g).</i></p> <p><i>(d) The Department shall provide an annual written notice to all Medi-Cal beneficiaries informing them of their right to request and obtain a booklet and provider list from the MHP that contains the information required by Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 438.10 (f) (6) and (g).</i></p> <p><i>(e) The MHP of the beneficiary shall provide its beneficiaries with a booklet and provider list upon request and when a beneficiary first receives a specialty mental health service from the MHP or its contract providers. This responsibility applies to the beneficiary's receipt of any specialty mental health services, including but not limited to an assessment to determine whether medical necessity criteria pursuant to Section 1830.205 are met.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.410 (e) (4)</b></p> <p><i>General Program literature used by the MHP to assist beneficiaries in accessing services including, but not limited to, the beneficiary brochure required by Section 1810.360(c) materials explaining the beneficiary problem resolution and fair hearing processes required by Section 1850.205(c)(1), and mental health education materials used by the MHP, in threshold languages, based on the threshold languages in the county as a whole.</i></p>

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<b>FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA</b>	YES	NO	<b>GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS</b>
<p>B) The provider directory per MHP policies and procedures is readily available to consumers or a sign is posted in both English and Spanish stating that it is available upon request?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 7. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.360 (b)(3),(d)and (e) CCR, Title 9, § 1810.410 (e) (4)</i></p>			<p><i>Please refer to the Title 9 regulations referenced in Category 1: Posted Brochures and Notices, #1 (A) above.</i></p> <p>The provider list must be available onsite upon intake and upon request in English and in threshold languages (if applicable).</p>
<p>C) The posted notice explaining grievance, appeal, expedited appeal, and fair hearings processes is clearly displayed at eye level in both English and Spanish?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 15. CCR, Title 9, § 1850.205 (c)(1)(B) CCR, Title 9, § 1810.410 (e)(4)</i></p>			<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1850.205 (c) (1) (B)</b> <i>Posting notices explaining grievance, appeal, and expedited appeal process procedures in locations at all MHP provider sites sufficient to ensure that the information is readily available to both beneficiaries and provider staff. The posted notice shall also explain the availability of fair hearings after the exhaustion of an appeal or expedited appeal process, including information that a fair hearing may be requested whether or not the beneficiary has received a notice of action pursuant to Section 1850.210. For the purposes of this Section, an MHP provider site means any office or facility owned or operated by the MHP or a provider contracting with the MHP at which beneficiaries may obtain specialty mental health services.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.410 (e) (4)</b> <i>General Program literature used by the MHP to assist beneficiaries in accessing services including, but not limited to, the beneficiary brochure required by Section 1810.360(c) materials explaining the beneficiary problem resolution and fair hearing processes required by Section 1850.205(c)(1), and mental health education materials used by the MHP, in threshold languages, based on the threshold languages in the county as a whole.</i></p>

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FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
<p>D) The grievance forms, appeal forms, expedited appeal forms, and self-addressed envelopes are clearly displayed and readily available?</p> <p>These documents should be available to beneficiaries without the need to make a verbal or written request.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 15. CCR, Title 9, § 1850.205 (c)(1)(C) CCR, Title 9, § 1810.410 (e)(4)</i></p>			<p><b><i>CCR Title 9, Section 1850.205 (c)(1)(C)</i></b></p> <p><i>Making forms that may be used to file grievances, appeals, and expedited appeals, and self-addressed envelopes available for beneficiaries to pick up at all MHP provider sites without having to make a verbal or written request to anyone.</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.410 (e) (4)</i></b></p> <p><i>General Program literature used by the MHP to assist beneficiaries in accessing services including, but not limited to, the beneficiary brochure required by Section 1810.360(c), materials explaining the beneficiary problem resolution and fair hearing processes required by Section 1850.205 (c) (1), and mental health education materials used by the MHP, in threshold languages, based on the threshold languages in the county as a whole.</i></p> <p><b>Note:</b> Check for grievance appeal forms in English and the threshold languages (if applicable). Also, check for envelopes addressed to the MHP. These documents should be available to beneficiaries without the need to make a verbal or written request.</p>



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CATEGORY 2: FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION	Criteria Met		
FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
<p>A) Does the space owned, leased or operated by the provider and used for services or staff meet local fire codes?                      A valid and current fire permit is required at the time of the visit. The address on the fire permit must match the primary practice address on the NPI.  <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.2.</i>  <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b)(2)</i></p>			<p>Does the provider have a valid fire clearance?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The facility cannot be certified without a fire safety inspection that meets local fire codes.</li> <li>A new fire safety inspection may be required if the facility undergoes major renovation or other structural changes.</li> </ul> <p>Verify all fire exits are clear and unobstructed.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.435 (b) (2)</b></p> <p><i>(b) In selecting individual or group providers with which to contract, the MHP shall require that each individual or group provider:</i></p> <p><i>(2) Maintain a safe facility.</i></p>
CATEGORY 3: PHYSICAL PLANT	Criteria Met		
EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p>A) Is the facility and its property clean, sanitary, and in good repair?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Free from hazards that might pose a danger to the beneficiary?</li> <li>Fire exits clear and unobstructed?</li> <li>Furniture 4 ft and above must be bolted to the wall.</li> <li>Wall hangings must be secured to the wall</li> <li>Walkways must be free from tripping hazards.</li> </ul>			<p>Please refer to the Title 9 regulation referenced in Category 2: Fire Safety Inspection, #1 above</p> <p>Tour the facility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Observe the building and grounds for actual and potential hazards (e.g. loose or torn carpeting, electrical cords that might pose a hazard).</li> </ul>

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CATEGORY 3: PHYSICAL PLANT	Criteria Met		
EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
B) Are all confidential and protected health information (PHI) secure?  <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.3.                      CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b) (2)</i>			Inspect Client Records Room <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Verify client records are maintained confidentially. Client records shall not be located where the public can view or have physical access to.</li> <li>Identify who has access to the client records room during and after business hours.</li> </ul>
CATEGORY 4: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES	Criteria Met		
EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
Does the provider have the following policies and procedures and are they being implemented:  A) Confidentiality and Protected Health Information.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure the MHP's policies and procedures match the actual process.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.310 (a) (10)</i></b>  <i>(10) A description of policies and procedures that assure beneficiary confidentiality in compliance with state and federal laws and regulations governing the confidentiality of personal or medical information, including mental health information, relating to beneficiaries.</i></p>
B) Emergency evacuation plan needs to be site specific where services are being rendered.  <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit F                      CCR, Title 9, § 1810.310 (a) (10)                      CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b) (4)</i>			<p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.435 (b) (4)</i></b>  <i>(b) In selecting individual or group providers with which to contract, the MHP shall require that each individual or group provider:</i></p> <p><i>(4) Maintain client records in a manner that meets state and federal standards.</i></p>

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CATEGORY 4: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (Continued)	Criteria Met		
FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
<p>C) Written personnel policies and procedures specific to screening licensed personnel/providers and checking the excluded provider lists.</p> <p>The Excluded Individuals/Entities lists below are being checked monthly and prior to hire or initiation of a contract:</p> <p><a href="https://exclusions.oig.hhs.gov/">https://exclusions.oig.hhs.gov/</a>  <a href="https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/SandILanding.aspx#">https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/SandILanding.aspx#</a>  <a href="https://sam.gov/search/?page">https://sam.gov/search/?page</a></p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.5.            CCR, Title 9, §1840.314</i></p>			<p>Review the written policy and procedures to verify that the MHPs hire and contract only with individuals or direct service providers who:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Are eligible to claim for and receive state and federal funds;</li> <li>2. Have the required licensures that are valid and current; and</li> <li>3. Are not on any excluded provider lists.</li> </ol> <p>Verify that the MHP also has a process to verify the above upon hire or initiation of the contract as well as a timeline as to when periodic verifications will be performed.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> The MHP cannot employ or contract with individuals or providers excluded from participation in Federal health care programs under either CCR, title 42, section 1128 or section 1128A of the Social Security Act and CFR, title 42, section 438.214</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Social Security Act, Sections 1128 and 1128A</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">CFR, Title 42, Sections 438.214 and 438.610</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">DMH Letter No. 10-05</a></li> </ul>
<p>D) General operating procedures must be site specific (e.g., hours of operation, disaster procedures, emergency evacuation procedures, etc.).</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.5.            CCR, Title 9, § 533</i></p>			<p>Check that the provider has a current administrative manual, which includes: general operating procedures (e.g., hours of operation, disaster procedures, emergency evacuation procedures, etc.).</p>

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CATEGORY 4: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES <i>(Continued)</i>	Criteria Met		
FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
<p>E) Maintenance policy to ensure the safety and well-being of beneficiaries and staff. Must include site specific list of contact to resolve maintenance issues.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.4. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435(b)(2)</i></p>			<p>Is the building county-owned or leased? Review the building maintenance policy or the maintenance agreement between the MHP and owner of the building where services are provided.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.435 (b) (2)</b> <i>(b) In selecting individual or group providers with which to contract, the MHP shall require that each individual or group provider:</i> <i>(2) Maintain a safe facility.</i></p>
<p>F) Service delivery policies (e.g. types of service intake process referral and linkage, length of services, discharge, and discontinuation of services).</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.5. CCR, Title 9, §§ 1810.209-210 §§ 1810.212-213 §§ 1810.225, 1810.227 and 1810.249</i></p>			<p>Review the written policies and procedures of services provided at the site. Check for policies and procedures regarding types of service intake process referral and linkage, length of services, discharge, and discontinuation of services.</p>
<p>G) Unusual occurrence reporting (UOR) procedures relating to health and safety issues.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.5. CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b)(2)</i></p>			<p>Review the written policies and procedures for the UOR processes.</p>
<p>H) Written procedures for referring individuals to a psychiatrist when necessary, or to a physician, if a psychiatrist is not available.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.8.</i></p>			<p>Check that the provider has written procedures for referring individuals to a psychiatrist when necessary, or to a physician, if a psychiatrist is not available.</p>

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CATEGORY 5: HEAD OF SERVICE & LICENSED STAFF	Criteria Met		
EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p>A) Does the provider have as head of service a licensed mental health professional or other appropriate individual as described in CCR, Title 9, § 622 through 630? A copy of license is required.</p> <p>CCR, Title 9, § 680 (a)            CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (c)(3)            CCR, Title 9, §§ 622 through 630            MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.9.</p>			<p><b>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section L, 9</b>  <i>The organizational provider's head of service, as defined in California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 9, Sections 622 through 630, is a licensed mental health professional or other appropriate individual.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.435 (c) (3)</b>  <i>(c) In selecting organizational providers with which to contract, the MHP shall require that each provider:</i>  <i>(3) Have as head of service a licensed mental health professional or mental health rehabilitation specialist as described in Section 622 through 630.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 680 (a)</b>  <i>Outpatient services in Local Mental Health Services shall include:</i>  <i>(a) Minimum Professional Staff. Outpatient services shall be under the direction of a person who qualifies under Section 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629 or 630. In addition to the director, the minimum professional staff shall include a psychiatrist, psychologist, and social worker, except that under special circumstances the Department may authorize the operation of an outpatient service with less personnel.</i>  <i>In addition, the staff may include qualified registered nurses and other professional disciplines.</i></p> <p><i>A psychiatrist must assume medical responsibility as defined in Section 522, and be present at least half-time during which the services are provided except that under special circumstance the Department may modify this requirement.</i></p>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 622 Requirements for Professional Personnel</b>  <i>Wherever in these regulations the employment of a particular professional person is required, the minimum qualifications for that person shall be as hereinafter specified in this Article. Required experience shall mean full time equivalent experience. It is intended that these minimum qualifications shall apply to the head or chief of a particular service or professional discipline but not necessarily to subordinate employees of the same profession.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 623 Psychiatrist</b>  <i>A psychiatrist who directs a service shall have a license as a physician and surgeon in this state and show evidence of having completed the required course of graduate psychiatric education as specified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in a program of training accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, the American Medical Association or the American Osteopathic Association.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 624 Psychologist</b>  <i>A psychologist who directs a service shall have obtained a California license as a psychologist granted by the State Board of Medical Quality Assurance or obtain such licensure within two years following commencement of employment, unless continuously employed in the same class in the same program or facility as of January 1, 1979; and shall have two years of post-doctoral experience in a mental health setting.</i></p>			<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 625 Social Worker</b>  <i>A social worker who directs a service shall have a California license as a clinical social worker granted by the State Board of Behavioral Science Examiners or obtain such licensure within three years following the commencement of employment, unless continuously employed in the same class in the same program or facility as of January 1, 1979, or enrolled in an accredited doctoral program in social work, social welfare, or social science; and shall have two years of post master's experience in a mental health setting.</i></p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 626 Marriage, Family and Child Counselor</b>  <i>A marriage, family and child counselor who directs a service shall have obtained a California license as a marriage, family, and child counselor granted by the State Board of Behavioral Science Examiners and have received specific instructions, or its equivalent, as required for licensure on January 1, 1981, and shall have two years of post-master's experience in a mental health setting. The term, specific instruction, contained in Sections 5751 and 5751.3 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, shall not be limited to school, college, or university classroom instruction, but may include equivalent demonstrated experience in assessment, diagnosis, prognosis, and counseling, and psychotherapeutic treatment of premarital, marriage, family, and child relationship dysfunctions.</i></p>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 627 Nurse</b> A nurse shall be licensed to practice as a registered nurse by the Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration in this State and possess a master's degree in psychiatric or public health nursing, and two years of nursing experience in a mental health setting. Additional post-baccalaureate nursing experience in a mental health setting may be substituted on a year-for-year basis for the educational requirement.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 628 Licensed Vocational Nurse</b> A licensed vocational nurse shall have a license to practice vocational nursing by the Board of Vocational Nurse and Psychiatric Technician Examiners and possess six years of post-license experience in a mental health setting. Up to four years of college or university education may be substituted for the required vocational nursing experience on a year-for-year basis.</p> <p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 629 Psychiatric Technician</b> A psychiatric technician shall have a current license to practice as a psychiatric technician by the Board of Vocational Nurse and Psychiatric Technician Examiners and six years of post-license experience in a mental health setting. Up to four years of college or university education may be substituted for the required psychiatric technician experience on a year-for-year basis.</p>			<p><b>CCR, Title 9, Section 630 Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist</b> A mental health rehabilitation specialist shall be an individual who has a baccalaureate degree and four years of experience in a mental health setting as a specialist in the fields of physical restoration, social adjustment, or vocational adjustment. Up to two years of graduate professional education may be substituted for the experience requirement on a year-for-year basis; up to two years of post-associate arts clinical experience may be substituted for the required educational experience in addition to the requirement of four years experience in a mental health setting.</p> <p><b>BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE SECTION 4999.20</b> (a)(1) "Professional clinical counseling" means the application of counseling interventions and psychotherapeutic techniques to identify and remediate cognitive, mental, and emotional issues, including personal growth, adjustment to disability, crisis intervention, and psychosocial and environmental problems, and the use, application, and integration of the coursework and training required by Sections 4999.32 and 4999.33. "Professional clinical counseling" includes conducting assessments for the purpose of establishing counseling goals and objectives to empower individuals to deal adequately with life situations, reduce stress, experience growth, change behavior, and make well-informed, rational decisions. (2) "Professional clinical counseling" is focused exclusively on the application of counseling interventions and psychotherapeutic techniques for the purposes of improving mental health, and is not intended to capture other, nonclinical forms of counseling for the purposes of licensure. For purposes of this paragraph, "nonclinical" means non-mental health. (3) "Professional clinical counseling" does not include the assessment or treatment of couples or families unless the professional clinical counselor has completed all of the (required) training and education: (4) "Professional clinical counseling" does not include the provision of clinical social work services.</p>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<b>Does the provider store or maintain medications on site?</b>			If the response is 'NO', indicate that in the 'Criteria Met' column and skip the remaining category.
Are there policies and procedures in place for dispensing, administering, and storing medications for each of the following and do practices match policies and procedures:			
<p><b>A. LABELING</b></p> <p>1. Are all medications obtained by prescription labeled in compliance with federal and state laws? Including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name of beneficiary</li> <li>• Name of Prescriber</li> <li>• Name of the medication</li> <li>• Dosage/Strength</li> <li>• Route of administration</li> <li>• Frequency</li> <li>• Quantity of contents</li> <li>• Indications and Usage</li> <li>• Date of expiration</li> </ul> <p>Intramuscular multi-dose vials are dated and initialed when opened.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.10</i></p>			<p>Ask how the Provider ensures prescriptions are labeled in compliance with federal and state laws.</p> <p>Check the medication labels for compliance.</p> <p>Determine how multi-dose vials are stored. Check the multi-dose vials to see if any opened multi-dose vials are dated, initialed and refrigerated (e.g. insulin, tuberculin). All multi-dose vials must be dated and initialed when opened.</p> <p><u>NOTE:</u> Prescription labels may be altered only by persons legally authorized to do so.</p>
<p><b>B. INCOMING (RECEIPT) MEDICATION LOG</b></p> <p>1. Are all medications entering the facility logged? This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prescriptions for individual patients/clients</li> <li>• House supply</li> <li>• Sample medications</li> </ul> <p><i>CCR, Title 22, § 73361</i></p>			<p>Review the Incoming (Receipt) medication log.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 22, § 73361 – Pharmaceutical Service – Drug Order Records</i></b></p> <p><i>Facilities shall maintain a record which includes, for each drug ordered by prescription, the drug name, strength and quantity, the name of the patient, the date ordered, the date received and the name of the issuing pharmacy. The records shall be kept at least one year.</i></p>



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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p>2. Does the Incoming (Receipt) medication log include the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medication name</li> <li>• Strength and quantity</li> <li>• Name of the Patient</li> <li>• Date ordered</li> <li>• Date received</li> <li>• Name of issuing pharmacy</li> </ul> <p>The records shall be kept at least one year. <i>CCR, Title 22, § 73361</i></p>			<p>Review the Incoming (Receipt) medication log.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 22, § 73361 – Pharmaceutical Service – Drug Order Records</i></b></p> <p><i>Facilities shall maintain a record which includes, for each drug ordered by prescription, the drug name, strength and quantity, the name of the patient, the date ordered, the date received and the name of the issuing pharmacy. The records shall be kept at least one year.</i></p>
<p><b>C. MEDICATION STORAGE</b></p> <p>1. Are all medications stored at proper temperatures</p> <p>a. Verify room and refrigerator temperatures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Room temperature medications at 59° F – 86° F?</li> <li>• Refrigerated medications at 36° F – 46° F?</li> </ul> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.10</i> <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435(b) (3)</i></p>			<p>Review temperature log – Is it current?</p> <p>Check room and refrigerator <u>thermometers</u> to verify that they are at the appropriate temperatures.</p>
<p>2. Verify that food and other items are not stored in the same refrigerator as medications.</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.10</i> <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435(b) (3)</i></p>			<p><u>No food</u> should be stored in the same refrigerator as medications.</p>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p>3. Are medications intended for external-use-only stored separately from oral and injectable medications? <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.10</i></p>			Ask to see the medications used for external use only – check the labels and expiration dates. Verify that external medications are stored separately from oral and injectable medications.
<p>4. Are medications stored in a locked area with access limited to those medical personnel authorized to prescribe, dispense or administer medication? <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.10</i> <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1810.435 (b) (3)</i></p>			<p>Check the medication storage area and how the area is secured/locked.</p> <p>Identify who has access to the medication room or ask to see a list of staff who have access.</p>
<p><b>D. MEDICATION DISPENSING LOG</b></p> <p>1. All medications dispensed or administered must be logged, regardless of their source. The log should indicate:</p> <p>a. The date and time the medication was dispensed or administered</p> <p>b. The source of the medication</p> <p>c. The lot and/or vial number if the medication was administered from a multi-dose container or sample card</p> <p>d. The name of the patient receiving the medication</p> <p>e. The dosage of the medication given</p> <p>f. The route of administration used</p> <p>g. The signature of authorized staff who dispensed or administered the medication</p> <p><i>CCR, Title 22, § 73313(f)</i> <i>CCR, Title 22, § 73351</i> <i>CCR, Title 22, § 73353</i></p>			<p>Review the medication log for the required documentation.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 22, § 73313(f)</i></b> <i>The time and dose of drug administered to the patient shall be properly recorded in each patient's medication record by the person who administered the drug.</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 22, § 73351</i></b> <i>There shall be written policies and procedures for safe and effective distribution, control, use and disposition of drugs developed by the patient care policy committee. The committee shall monitor implementation of the policies and procedures and make recommendations for improvement.</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 22, § 73353</i></b> <i>No drugs shall be administered except upon the order of a person lawfully authorized to prescribe for and treat human illness. All such orders shall be in writing and signed by the person giving the order. The name, quantity or duration of therapy, dosage and time of administration of the drug, the route of administration if other than oral and the site of injection when indicated shall be specified. Telephone orders may be given only to a licensed pharmacist or licensed nurse and shall be immediately recorded in the patient's health record and shall be signed by the prescriber within 48 hours. The signing of orders shall be by signature or a personal computer key.</i></p>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<b>E. AUDITING SUPPLIES OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES</b> 1. Is a separate log maintained for Scheduled II, III and IV controlled drugs? <i>CCR, Title 22, § 73367(b)</i>			Verify which staff the facility has designated access to the Schedule II, III and IV controlled drugs.
2. Are records reconciled at least daily and retained at least one year? <i>CCR, Title 22, § 73367(b)</i>			Review the current controlled substances medication log to determine if appropriate licensed staff is reconciling the log at least daily or every shift.
3. Does the controlled substance record include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Patient Name</li> <li>b. Prescriber</li> <li>c. Prescription number</li> <li>d. Drug Name</li> <li>e. Strength</li> <li>f. Dose administered</li> <li>g. Date and time of administration</li> <li>h. Signature of person administering the drug</li> </ul> <b>NOTE:</b> If supplied as part of a unit dose medication system, it does not need to be separate from other medication records. <i>CCR, Title 22, § 73367(b)</i>			Review the controlled substances medication record and verify the required information is documented.  <b><i>CCR, Title 22, § 73367(b)</i></b>  <i>Separate records of use shall be maintained on all Schedule II drugs. Such records shall be maintained accurately and shall include the name of the patient and the prescriber, the prescription number, the drug name, strength and dose administered; the date and time of administration and the signature of the person administering the drug. Such records shall be reconciled at least daily and shall be retained at least one year. If such drugs are supplied on a scheduled basis as part of a unit dose medication system, such records need not be separate from patient medication records.</i>
4. Are controlled drugs kept separate from non-controlled drugs? <i>CCR, Title 22, § 73367(a)</i>			Verify that controlled drugs are stored separately from non-controlled drugs.

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p><b>F. MEDICATION DISPOSAL</b></p> <p>1. Are medications disposed of after the expiration date?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.10</i> <i>CCR, Title 22, § 73369</i></p>			<p>Ask how expired medications are monitored and checked.</p> <p>Ask how the expired medications are disposed of at the site, the staff involved, and how often this occurs.</p> <p>Verify the location of where the expired medications are stored.</p> <p>Check the expiration dates of the medications stored. For all medications expired and still on the shelf, list the name of the medication and date of the expiration in the POC.</p>
<p>2. Is a medication log maintained to ensure the provider disposes of expired, contaminated, deteriorated and abandoned drugs in a manner consistent with state and federal laws?</p> <p><i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 4.L.10</i> <i>CCR, Title 22, § 73369(b)(1)(2)</i></p>			<p>Ask how expired, contaminated, deteriorated and abandoned medications are disposed of. Is it in a manner consistent with state and federal laws?</p> <p>Ask to see the medication/dispensing log where the expired, contaminated, deteriorated or abandoned medications are recorded.</p> <p>Ask how Schedule II, III, or IV controlled drugs are handled.</p>

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EVALUATION CRITERIA	YES	NO	COMMENTS
<p>3. When medication has reached its expiration date, the disposal of the medication must be logged. The log should include the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The name of the patient</li> <li>b. Medication name and strength</li> <li>c. The prescription number</li> <li>d. Amount destroyed</li> <li>e. Date of destruction</li> <li>f. Name and signatures of witnesses</li> </ul> <p>Logs are to be retained for at least three years.</p> <p><i>CCR, Title 22, § 73369(b)(1)(2)</i></p>			<p>Review the expired medication disposal log and verify the required information is documented.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 22, Section 73369 Pharmaceutical Service – Disposal of Drugs</i></b></p> <p><i>(a) Discontinued individual patient’s drugs supplied by prescription or those which remain in the facility after discharge shall be destroyed by the facility in the following manner:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <i>Drugs listed in Schedules II, III or IV of the Federal Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970 shall be destroyed by the facility in the presence of a pharmacist and a registered nurse employed by the facility. The name of the patient, the name and strength of the drug, the prescription number, the amount destroyed, the date of destruction, and the signatures of the witnesses required above shall be recorded in the patient’s health record or in a separate log. Such log shall be retained for at least three years.</i></li> <li>2) <i>Drugs not listed under Schedules II, III or IV of the Federal Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970 shall be destroyed by the facility in the presence of a pharmacist or registered nurse. The name of the patient, the name and strength of the drug, the prescription number, if applicable, the amount destroyed, the date of destruction and the signatures of two witnesses shall be recorded in the patient’s health record or in a separate log. Such log shall be retained for at least three years.</i></li> </ul>

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FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
<p>A) Is a physician on call at all times for the provision of those Crisis Stabilization Services that may only be provided by a licensed physician?</p> <p><i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.348(a)</i></p>			<p>Review the “On Call” schedules for physician coverage.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Identify the physician</i></li> <li>• <i>Review the physician’s work schedule to determine if there is coverage</i></li> </ul> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.348 (a)</i></b>  <i>A physician shall be on call at all times for the provision of those Crisis Stabilization Services that may only be provided by a physician.</i></p>
<p>B) Does the provider have qualified staff available to meet the 4:1 (client: staff) ratio during times Crisis Stabilization services are provided?</p> <p><i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.348(c)</i>  <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.348(g)</i></p>			<p>Review the staff schedules and working hours, compare with the census and determine if the staffing ratio requirements are being met.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.348 (c)</i></b>  <i>At a minimum there shall be a ratio of at least one licensed, waived, or registered mental health professional on site for each four beneficiaries or other patients receiving Crisis Stabilization at any given time.</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.254 (g)</i></b>  <i>“Waivered/Registered Professional” means an individual who has a waiver of psychologist licensure issued by the Department or has registered with the corresponding state licensing authority for psychologists, marriage and family therapists or clinical social workers to obtain supervised clinical hours for psychologist, marriage and family therapist or clinical social worker licensure.</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.348 (g)</i></b>  <i>Persons included in required Crisis Stabilization ratios and minimums may not be counted toward meeting ratios and minimums for other services.</i></p>

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FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA	YES	NO	GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS
<p>C) Does the provider have at least one Registered Nurse, Psychiatric Technician, or Licensed Vocational Nurse on site at all times beneficiaries are receiving Crisis Stabilization services?</p> <p><i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.348(b)(c)</i> <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.348(g)</i></p>			<p><b>NOTE:</b> The Registered Nurse, Psychiatric Technician or Licensed Vocational Nurse who are on site when beneficiaries are receiving Crisis Stabilization services <i>may be counted</i> as part of the 4:1 client/staff ratio in Item 6B above.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.348 (b)</i></b> <i>There shall be a minimum of one Registered Nurse, Psychiatric Technician, or Licensed Vocational Nurse on site at all times beneficiaries are present</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.348 (g)</i></b> <i>Persons included in required Crisis Stabilization ratios and minimums may not be counted toward meeting ratios and minimums for other services.</i></p>
<p>D) Does the provider have medical backup services available either on site or by written contract or agreement with a hospital?</p> <p><i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.338(b)</i></p>			<p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.338 (b)</i></b> <i>Medical backup services must be available either on site or by written contract or agreement with a general acute care hospital. Medical back up means immediate access within reasonable proximity to health care for medical emergencies. Immediate access and reasonable proximity shall be defined by the Mental Health Plan. Medications must be available on an as needed basis and the staffing pattern must reflect this availability.</i></p>

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<p>E) Does the provider have medications available on an as needed basis and the staffing available to prescribe and/or administer it?</p> <p>F) Which categories of staff are assessing and determining the beneficiary diagnosis?</p> <p><i>CCR, Title 9, § 522</i> <i>CCR, Title 9, 1840.346</i></p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify who at facility can <b>prescribe</b> medications?</li> <li>• Identify who at facility can <b>administer</b> medications?</li> <li>• Does the CSU have staff available to prescribe and/or administer medications?</li> </ul> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.346</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Medication Support Services shall be provided within the scope of practice by any of the following:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) Physician</i></li> <li><i>(b) Registered Nurse</i></li> <li><i>(c) Licensed Vocational Nurse</i></li> <li><i>(d) Psychiatric Technician</i></li> <li><i>(e) Pharmacist</i></li> <li><i>(f) Physician Assistant.</i></li> </ul> <p><b><i>NOTE: A Nurse Practitioner may also prescribe and administer medications.</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify which category of staff is determining diagnosis. i.e. Practicing within his/her scope of practice.</li> <li>• Review sample client records to verify appropriate staff are determining the diagnosis.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 522 Medical Responsibility</i></b></p> <p><b><i>A physician meeting the qualifications of Section 620 (a) shall assume responsibility for all those acts of diagnosis, treatment, or prescribing or ordering of drugs which may only be performed by a licensed physician.</i></b></p>



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<p><b>BUSINESS &amp; PROFESSIONS CODE (Read left side to right side)</b></p> <p><b>Section 2836.1.</b> Neither this chapter nor any other provision of law shall be construed to prohibit a nurse practitioner from furnishing or ordering drugs or devices when all of the following apply:</p> <p>(a) The drugs or devices are furnished or ordered by a nurse practitioner in accordance with standardized procedures or protocols developed by the nurse practitioner and the supervising physician and surgeon when the drugs or devices furnished or ordered are consistent with the practitioner's educational preparation or for which clinical competency has been established and maintained.</p> <p>(b) The nurse practitioner is functioning pursuant to standardized procedure, as defined by Section 2725, or protocol. The standardized procedure or protocol shall be developed and approved by the supervising physician and surgeon, the nurse practitioner, and the facility administrator or the designee.</p> <p>(c) (1) The standardized procedure or protocol covering the furnishing of drugs or devices shall specify which nurse practitioners may furnish or order drugs or devices, which drugs or devices may be furnished or ordered, under what circumstances, the extent of physician and surgeon supervision, the method of periodic review of the nurse practitioner's competence, including peer review, and review of the provisions of the standardized procedure.</p> <p>(2) In addition to the requirements in paragraph (1), for Schedule II controlled substance protocols, the provision for furnishing Schedule II controlled substances shall address the diagnosis of the illness, injury, or condition for which the Schedule II controlled substance is to be furnished.</p>			<p>(d) The furnishing or ordering of drugs or devices by a nurse practitioner occurs under physician and surgeon supervision. Physician and surgeon supervision shall not be construed to require the physical presence of the physician, but does include (1) collaboration on the development of the standardized procedure, (2) approval of the standardized procedure, and (3) availability by telephonic contact at the time of patient examination by the nurse practitioner.</p> <p>(e) For purposes of this section, no physician and surgeon shall supervise more than four nurse practitioners at one time.</p> <p>(f) (1) Drugs or devices furnished or ordered by a nurse practitioner may include Schedule II through Schedule V controlled substances under the California Uniform Controlled Substances Act (Division 10 (commencing with Section 11000) of the Health and Safety Code) and shall be further limited to those drugs agreed upon by the nurse practitioner and physician and surgeon and specified in the standardized procedure.</p> <p>(2) When Schedule II or III controlled substances, as defined in Sections 11055 and 11056, respectively, of the Health and Safety Code, are furnished or ordered by a nurse practitioner, the controlled substances shall be furnished or ordered in accordance with a patient-specific protocol approved by the treating or supervising physician. A copy of the section of the nurse practitioner's standardized procedure relating to controlled substances shall be provided, upon request, to any licensed pharmacist who dispenses drugs or devices, when there is uncertainty about the nurse practitioner furnishing the order.</p> <p>(g) (1) The board has certified in accordance with Section 2836.3 that the nurse practitioner has satisfactorily completed a course in pharmacology covering the drugs or devices to be furnished or ordered under this section.</p>

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<b>FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>GUIDELINE FOR REVIEWS</b>
			<p>(2) A physician and surgeon may determine the extent of supervision necessary pursuant to this section in the furnishing or ordering of drugs and devices.</p> <p>(3) Nurse practitioners who are certified by the board and hold an active furnishing number, who are authorized through standardized procedures or protocols to furnish Schedule II controlled substances, and who are registered with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, shall complete, as part of their continuing education requirements, a course including Schedule II controlled substances based on the standards developed by the board. The board shall establish the requirements for satisfactory completion of this subdivision.</p> <p>(h) Use of the term "furnishing" in this section, in health facilities defined in Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code, shall include (1) the ordering of a drug or device in accordance with the standardized procedure and (2) transmitting an order of a supervising physician and surgeon.</p> <p>(i) "Drug order" or "order" for purposes of this section means an order for medication which is dispensed to or for an ultimate user, issued by a nurse practitioner as an individual practitioner, within the meaning of Section 1306.02 of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, (1) a drug order issued pursuant to this section shall be treated in the same manner as a prescription of the supervising physician; (2) all references to "prescription" in this code and the Health and Safety Code shall include drug orders issued by nurse practitioners; and (3) the signature of a nurse practitioner on a drug order issued in accordance with this section shall be deemed to be the signature of a prescriber for purposes of this code and the Health and Safety Code.</p>

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<b>FEDERAL AND STATE CRITERIA</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>GUILINE FOR REVIEWS</b>
<p><b>BUSINESS &amp; PROFESSIONS CODE (Read left side to right side)</b></p> <p><b>Section 3502.1.</b> (a) In addition to the services authorized in the regulations adopted by the board, and except as prohibited by Section 3502, while under the supervision of a licensed physician and surgeon or physicians and surgeons authorized by law to supervise a physician assistant, a physician assistant may administer or provide medication to a patient, or transmit orally, or in writing on a patient's record or in a drug order, an order to a person who may lawfully furnish the medication or medical device pursuant to subdivisions (c) and (d).</p> <p>(1) A supervising physician and surgeon who delegates authority to issue a drug order to a physician assistant may limit this authority by specifying the manner in which the physician assistant may issue delegated prescriptions.</p> <p>(2) Each supervising physician and surgeon who delegates the authority to issue a drug order to a physician assistant shall first prepare and adopt, or adopt, a written, practice specific, formulary and protocols that specify all criteria for the use of a particular drug or device, and any contraindications for the selection. Protocols for Schedule II controlled substances shall address the diagnosis of illness, injury, or condition for which the Schedule II controlled substance is being administered, provided, or issued. The drugs listed in the protocols shall constitute the formulary and shall include only drugs that are appropriate for use in the type of practice engaged in by the supervising physician and surgeon. When issuing a drug order, the physician assistant is acting on behalf of and as an agent for a supervising physician and surgeon.</p> <p>(b) "Drug order" for purposes of this section means an order for medication that is dispensed to or for a patient, issued and signed by a physician assistant acting as an individual practitioner within the meaning of Section 1306.02 of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, (1) a drug order issued pursuant to this section shall be treated in the same manner as a prescription or order of the supervising physician,</p>			<p>(2) all references to "prescription" in this code and the Health and Safety Code shall include drug orders issued by physician assistants pursuant to authority granted by their supervising physicians and surgeons, and (3) the signature of a physician assistant on a drug order shall be deemed to be the signature of a prescriber for purposes of this code and the Health and Safety Code.</p> <p>(c) A drug order for any patient cared for by the physician assistant that is issued by the physician assistant shall either be based on the protocols described in subdivision (a) or shall be approved by the supervising physician and surgeon before it is filled or carried out. (1) A physician assistant shall not administer or provide a drug or issue a drug order for a drug other than for a drug listed in the formulary without advance approval from a supervising physician and surgeon for the particular patient. At the direction and under the supervision of a physician and surgeon, a physician assistant may hand to a patient of the supervising physician and surgeon a properly labeled prescription drug prepackaged by a physician and surgeon, manufacturer as defined in the Pharmacy Law, or a pharmacist.</p> <p>(2) A physician assistant may not administer, provide, or issue a drug order to a patient for Schedule II through Schedule V controlled substances without advance approval by a supervising physician and surgeon for that particular patient unless the physician assistant has completed an education course that covers controlled substances and that meets standards, including pharmacological content, approved by the committee. The education course shall be provided either by an accredited continuing education provider or by an approved physician assistant training program. If the physician assistant will administer, provide, or issue a drug order for Schedule II controlled substances, the course shall contain a minimum of three hours exclusively on Schedule II controlled substances.</p>

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<p><b>(Read left side to right side)</b></p> <p>Completion of the requirements set forth in this paragraph shall be verified and documented in the manner established by the committee prior to the physician assistant's use of a registration number issued by the United States Drug Enforcement Administration to the physician assistant to administer, provide, or issue a drug order to a patient for a controlled substance without advance approval by a supervising physician and surgeon for that particular patient.</p> <p>(3) Any drug order issued by a physician assistant shall be subject to a reasonable quantitative limitation consistent with customary medical practice in the supervising physician and surgeon's practice.</p> <p>(d) A written drug order issued pursuant to subdivision (a), except a written drug order in a patient's medical record in a health facility or medical practice, shall contain the printed name, address, and phone number of the supervising physician and surgeon, the printed or stamped name and license number of the physician assistant, and the signature of the physician assistant. Further, a written drug order for a controlled substance, except a written drug order in a patient's medical record in a health facility or a medical practice, shall include the federal controlled substances registration number of the physician assistant and shall otherwise comply with the provisions of Section 11162.1 of the Health and Safety Code. Except as otherwise required for written drug orders for controlled substances under Section 11162.1 of the Health and Safety Code, the requirements of this subdivision may be met through stamping or otherwise imprinting on the supervising physician and surgeon's prescription blank to show the name, license number, and if applicable, the federal controlled substances number of the physician assistant, and shall be signed by the physician assistant. When using a drug order, the physician assistant is acting on behalf of and as the agent of a supervising physician and surgeon.</p>			<p>(e) The medical record of any patient cared for by a physician assistant for whom the physician assistant's Schedule II drug order has been issued or carried out shall be reviewed and countersigned and dated by a supervising physician and surgeon within seven days.</p> <p>(f) All physician assistants who are authorized by their supervising physicians to issue drug orders for controlled substances shall register with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).</p> <p>(g) The committee shall consult with the Medical Board of California and report during its sunset review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473) the impacts of exempting Schedule III and Schedule IV drug orders from the requirement for a physician and surgeon to review and countersign the affected medical record of a patient.</p>

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<p>G) Do all beneficiaries receiving Crisis Stabilization services receive a physical and mental health assessment? <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.338(c)</i></p>			<p>Review the MHP's P &amp; P for this area.</p> <p><b><u>Review a sample of current client records</u></b> to ensure that beneficiaries are receiving both a physical and mental health assessment. <b>NOTE:</b> Have the provider show you where these can be found in the chart.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.338 (c)</i></b> <i>All beneficiaries receiving Crisis Stabilization shall receive an assessment of their physical and mental health. This may be accomplished using protocol approved by a physician. If outside services are needed, a referral that corresponds with the beneficiary's need shall be made to the extent resources are available.</i></p>
<p>H) If a beneficiary is evaluated as needing service activities that can only be provided by a specific type of licensed professional, does the provider make such persons available? <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.348(d)</i></p>			<p>Review the MHP's P &amp; P for this area.</p> <p><b><u>Review a sample of current client records</u></b> to ensure this requirement is met.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.348 (d)</i></b> <i>If the beneficiary is evaluated as needing service activities that can only be provided by a specific type of licensed professional, such persons shall be available.</i></p>
<p>I) If Crisis Stabilization services are co-located with other specialty mental health services, does the provider use staff providing Crisis Stabilization that are separate and distinct from persons providing other services? <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.348(f)</i></p>			<p>Review MHP's P &amp; P for staffing patterns and staffing schedule.</p> <p>When the CSU is co-located with other Specialty Mental Health Services, <b><u>obtain a copy of the staffing for the day of the onsite visit.</u></b> Verify that staff listed are present. Verify that CSU staff are not responsible for providing non-CSU services.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.348 (f)</i></b> <i>If Crisis Stabilization services are co-located with other specialty mental health services, persons providing Crisis Stabilization must be separate and distinct from persons providing other services.</i></p>

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<p>J) Are the beneficiaries currently in the Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) receiving Crisis Stabilization services longer than 23 hours and 59 minutes?</p> <p><i>CCR, Title 9, § 1810.210</i>  <i>CCR, Title 9, § 1840.368(c)</i>  <i>MHP Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment 1, Section 11.A.2</i></p>			<p>Review the board, admission/discharge log, or client records showing current beneficiaries and admission dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determine the time when services began and ended.</li> <li>• Determine if anyone has been there over 24 hours.</li> </ul> <p>If any of the beneficiaries present have been receiving services for longer than 23 hours and 59 minutes, make a note of the number of beneficiaries and the actual length of time that each beneficiary has been in the CSU.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> If there is a board, patient information should not be visual to the public.</p> <p>What procedures does the facility follow when claiming for CSU?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What sort of services “count” towards the minimum of 31 minutes required for a one-hour billing?</li> <li>• How are services claimed for beneficiaries who have been receiving services longer than 23 hours and 59 minutes?</li> </ul> <p>Document CSU efforts for discharge planning and meeting the beneficiary’s needs within the timeline.</p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1810.210 Crisis Stabilization</i></b></p> <p><i>“Crisis Stabilization” means a service lasting less than 24 hours, to or on behalf of a beneficiary for a condition that requires more timely response than a regularly scheduled visit.</i></p> <p><b><i>CCR, Title 9, Section 1840.368 (c) Lockouts for Crisis Stabilization</i></b></p> <p><i>(c) The maximum number of hours claimable for Crisis Stabilization in a 24-hour period is <b>20 hours</b>.</i></p>

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### SURVEY THE ENVIRONMENT AS YOU TAKE A TOUR FOR THE FOLLOWING

	Yes	No	Comments
1. Is the CSU a 5150-designated facility?			
2. Does it accept both adults and children/adolescents?			
3. If the answer to #2 above is "Yes", are the adults physically segregated from the children and adolescents? Are the minors under 1:1 supervision at all times?			
4. Do the police transport patients to the CSU?			
5. Are there any types of patients which the CSU will not accept from the police?			
6. Is there suitable furniture in the CSU on which the beneficiaries can sit or recline?			
7. Does the CSU have seclusion and restraint (S&R) capability? (Review the MHP's P&Ps regarding use of S&R)			
8. Are the S&R rooms clean and free from hazards that might pose a danger to a beneficiary confined in them (e.g., sharp edges, breakable glass, pointed corners)			
9. Are the beds in the S&R rooms securely bolted to the floor?			

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	Yes	No	Comments
10. Are there sheets or similar materials (e.g., blankets, bedspreads) present in the seclusion rooms? (The presence of sheets or blankets in a seclusion room where beneficiaries are NOT restrained poses a potential risk to patient safety.			
11. How are patients monitored while in seclusion and restraints? (i.e., Direct line-of-sight observation, via television monitor?) How does the facility ensure that staff is actually monitoring the patients if this is done via television monitor?			
12. Are there “quiet rooms” which patients can use when they wish to have a reduced level of stimulation?			
13. Where does staff interview/assess patients? Where does staff provide crisis intervention to patients?			
14. What procedures are in place when a patient experiences a medical emergency? How is medical emergency defined? Are there procedures which describe how a distinction is made between an emergency requiring attention by the on-call physician and an emergency requiring a call to “911”? Who is authorized to make this determination?			
15. What procedures are in place to handle a psychiatric emergency which is beyond the scope/capability of the CSU or its staff? For example, what would be done with a patient who became seriously assaultive when all of the seclusion/restraint rooms were in use?			



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	Yes	No	Comments
16. What procedures are followed when a non-English speaking patient is admitted? Is an interpreter brought to the facility? If not, why not?			
17. What arrangements or options are available for family members who wish to visit patients?			
18. Which staff performs crisis intervention services?			
19. Which staff perform risk assessments (e.g., for DTO, DTS, GD)?			
20. During the tour of the CSU, did you observe staff sitting and talking with patients or was staff exclusively sitting in the nursing station?			
21. What dispositions are available if a patient is not appropriate for discharge home after 23 hours and 59 minutes?			
22. What dietary facilities are available for preparation/dispensing of patient meals and snacks?			

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**CHART REVIEW**

**Clients Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Clients MRN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:**

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**Comments:**

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(A POC is required for items where Federal and State criteria were not met)

IS A PLAN OF CORRECTION (POC) REQUIRED?  YES  NO  
*(The POC is a separate form)*

DATE POC ISSUED: \_\_\_\_\_

POC DUE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(POC due 30 days from date issued)*

DATE POC RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE POC APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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**NEW CERTIFICATION** activation approval date is the latest date the following three (3) items are in place:

- 1) *Date provider was operational (client received 1<sup>st</sup> services):* \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) *Date of fire clearance:* \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) *Date the provider requested certification (complete application received by DHCS Cert Unit):* \_\_\_\_\_

*New Certification Activation/approval date:* \_\_\_\_\_

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**RECERTIFICATION** site visit for: Triennial, Change of Address, and/or any significant changes in the physical plant of the provider site

Fire Clearance Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of On-Site: \_\_\_\_\_

*Re-certification approval date: (Generally, this is the date of on-site review)* \_\_\_\_\_

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On-Site and Report Completed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Onsite: \_\_\_\_\_

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### PLAN OF CORRECTION

PROVIDER NAME	PROVIDER #	DATE OF SITE VISIT	
ADDRESS		DATE POC IS DUE	
<b>SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES</b>		<b>PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION</b>	
PROVIDER REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE		TITLE	DATE
DHCS SIGNATURE		TITLE	DATE

If deficiencies are cited, an approved Plan of Correction is required to continue program participation. See Title 9, Section 1810.380 and 1810.385 \*\*\*Make a copy to leave with MHP\*\*\*