



Mississippi Department of Mental Health
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Subject: Revision to the DMH Operational Standards and DMH Record Guide

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Scope

All DMH Certified Providers

Purpose

Inform all DMH Certified Providers of upcoming revisions to the *DMH Operational Standards for Mental Health, Intellectual/ Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Community Service Providers* and the *DMH Record Guide for Mental Health, Intellectual/ Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Community Service Providers*.

Inform DMH Certified Providers of changes in provider implementation requirements and DMH monitoring timelines.

Background

The *DMH Record Guide, 2015 version* was released by Provider Bulletin IO0046 on August 7, 2015; however, many forms included in this document remain under revision. The timeline for provider implementation of the *DMH Record Guide, 2015 version* has not been finalized. In addition to pending Record Guide revisions, DMH is in the process of drafting changes to the current *DMH Operational Standards for Mental Health, Intellectual/ Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Community Service Providers*.

Subject

Based on the pending revisions to both documents, DMH is modifying the effective date issued for the DMH Record Guide, 2015 version for all populations served. DMH requests that Certified Providers not implement any further changes to documentation until the final versions of both the DMH Record Guide and the DMH Operational Standards are issued and effective. If providers have already implemented forms that are in the final format, then the provider should continue to use those forms; however, no forms that are still under revision should be implemented.

DMH will issue additional population specific Provider Bulletins before January 22, 2016 to inform DMH Certified Providers as to which forms in the DMH Record Guide are in the final format and which are still under revision. All proposed changes to the DMH Record Guide and the Operational Standards will be released for public comment before an effective date is issued and monitoring timelines are determined.

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