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TO: Psychologists, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Marital and Family Therapists, Licensed Professional Counselors, Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors, Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselors

RE: Behavioral Health Clinician Fee Schedule Update

The purpose of this policy transmittal is to inform behavioral health clinicians in independent practice that their fee schedules have been updated for claims with dates of service January 1, 2012 and forward. The following enrolled provider specialties are affected:

- Psychologists
- Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSWs),
- Licensed Marital and Family Therapists (LMFTs),
- Licensed Professional Counselors (LPCs),
- Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors (LADCs) and
- Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselors (CADCs).

Previously psychologists were paid based on different fee schedules for clients covered under HUSKY A, HUSKY B and Charter Oak versus clients covered under HUSKY C and HUSKY D. The department is no longer utilizing separate fee schedules based on the client's coverage. Effective January 1, 2012 a single fee schedule will apply to all clients. Please refer to the updated fee schedule for the applicable fees.

Please note HP will automatically identify all previously paid claims with dates of service on or after January 1, 2012 and reprocess them according to the new fees.

Behavioral health clinicians are able to be reimbursed for services to individuals of any age who are covered by HUSKY A, HUSKY B or Charter Oak but are limited to individuals under

the age of 21 who are covered by HUSKY C and HUSKY D.

Please note that payment to behavioral health clinicians is limited to services listed on the department's published fee schedule and personally performed by the behavioral health clinician.

### **Accessing the Fee Schedule:**

DSS fee schedules are now posted to the Web site in either PDF or CSV (Comma Separated Values) formats. The Behavioral health partnership fee schedule can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Web site: [www.ctdssmap.com](http://www.ctdssmap.com). From this Web page, go to "Provider", then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download", then select "Behavioral Health Psychologist" or "Behavioral Health Clinician" as appropriate. Please note that "Behavioral Health Clinician" includes LCSWs, LMFTs, LPCs, LADCs and CADCs. These fees will be posted by mid-April.

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