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To: Cenpatico Network Providers

From: Renee York – Manager, Network Development

Re: Reimbursement for Services provided by Master's-level Qualified Treatment Trainees

Cenpatico will begin reimbursing services provided by Master's-level Qualified Treatment Trainees (QTT's) practicing under the supervision of a qualified Medicaid Provider. The supervising provider must be currently participating and credentialed with Cenpatico, and must have been practicing in an outpatient mental health clinic on November 1, 2014 or later. All Master's-level QTT's must meet the supervision requirements as noted in the ForwardHealth Update entitled Policy Changes for Services Rendered by Qualified Treatment Trainees and under Wisconsin Administrative Code DHS 35.03 (17m)(b), as well as all other applicable Wisconsin DSPS regulations.

Credentialing and Medicaid Enrollment Requirements

In order to qualify for credentialing in Cenpatico Provider Network, QTT's with a graduate degree are required to either have a doctoral degree from an accredited institution and be working toward full licensure as a licensed psychologist or be certified by Wisconsin DSPS as one of the following:

- A marriage and family therapist in training
- A professional counselor in training
- An advanced practice social worker or certified independent social worker

Master's-level QTT providers must be State of Wisconsin Medicaid certified and have a Medicaid provider number. QTT providers must complete the Cenpatico credentialing process prior to rendering covered services to covered persons.

Prior Authorization

Services rendered by the QTT are subject to the same prior authorization requirements as those rendered by licensed Master's-level Medicaid contracted and credentialed Cenpatico providers.

Covered Benefits

Master's-level QTT providers may provide the same services as master's-level psychotherapists; however, QTT's with a graduate degree who are providing services under the Intensive In-Home Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Services for Children benefit may only provide these services as a second team member.

Services rendered under the Intensive In-Home Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Services for Children benefit, the Outpatient Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in the Home or Community for Adults benefit, of the SBIRT benefit are subject to the same policy constraints as services rendered by Wisconsin DSPS certified psychotherapists.

Claim Submission

Mental Health Clinics billing on behalf of the QTT must file claims as follows:

- The QTT's NPI as the rendering provider along with the affiliated taxonomy code
- The professional billing modifier U6 (ForwardHealth has defined modifier U6 as the professional billing modifier for QTT's with a graduate degree).

Questions: Please contact your provider relations specialist, Kristel Johns, at 414-773-4083.