



## PROVIDER ALERT

**Provider Type 32 – Methadone Maintenance/Buprenorphine Services  
(6 month grace period)**

**May 29, 2015**

As providers were made aware in the previous provider alert which posted on February 3, 2015, the Department granted “grace periods” for SUD programs for authorizations to allow for continuation of care during the transition to the Administrative Service Organization (ASO). Grace periods were developed for each SUD level of care. All grace periods have expired, except for Opioid Treatment Programs (OTP).

Programs need to continue to register all clients in the ValueOptions system as noted below. For Medicaid clients, Programs need to register their client panel into the ValueOptions system and will then need to enter the authorizations for those clients. For clients under grant funding, providers need to register those clients and enter corresponding appropriate data into the ValueOptions System.

This guidance was sent out on February 3, 2015:

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- By February 28<sup>th</sup>, Programs should enter clients with last names beginning with letter **A through E**;
- By March 31, Programs should enter clients with last names beginning with letter **F through J**;
- By April 30, Programs should enter clients with last names beginning with letter **K through O**;
- By May 31, Programs should enter clients with last names beginning with letter **P through T**;
- By June 30, Programs should enter clients with last names beginning with letter **U through Z**;

As of July 1, 2015, all services will require a valid authorization on file in order for ValueOptions to pay claims.



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ValueOptions continues to hold training sessions for SUD programs. Registration can be found at: <http://maryland.valueoptions.com/provider/alerts/2015/Spring-2015-Provider-Connect-Training-Schedule.pdf>. Questions should be emailed to: [marylandproviderrelations@valueoptions.com](mailto:marylandproviderrelations@valueoptions.com)