



## **PROVIDER ALERT**

### **OUTPATIENT MEASUREMENT SYSTEM (OMS) AND OPIOID TREATMENT PROVIDERS (OTPs)**

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Effective 10-1-16, OTPs will be required to enter their authorizations for initial and continuing care using the OMS authorization work flow. This work flow is currently being used by outpatient mental health centers and level 1 substance use providers.

The Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) and Beacon Health Options (BHO) will be conducting an OTP executive level discussion to review the OMS criteria and process in the near future. Please feel free to send your availability for the week of August 22, 2016 to [marylandproviderrelations@beaconhealthoptions.com](mailto:marylandproviderrelations@beaconhealthoptions.com) and we will work to identify a time convenient to as many providers as possible.

BHA and BHO have already conducted a high level overview webinar for OTP providers. Technical training for the ProviderConnect system will be held in late September for all OTP providers. Please watch for the additional training calendar.

BHA will also be providing a "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQ) document for OTP providers. This should be available on the BHO website within the next two weeks.

Information concerning the OMS process can be found on the BHO website at: [http://maryland.beaconhealthoptions.com/provider/prv\\_oms.html](http://maryland.beaconhealthoptions.com/provider/prv_oms.html).