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Communication Updates to System Stakeholders**



In January of 2006 the first Implementation Update was published by the Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) and the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services. The intent of the joint publication was to provide guidance to the system for the implementation of the newly approved Medicaid State Plan Amendment to implement the Enhanced Benefit Services under the Rehabilitation Option. The implementation updates have continued in this vein over the past seven years. However, our system has moved beyond implementation and is now in a new managed care environment. Thus, Implementation Updates will no longer be utilized as a primary source of communication. The Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) will continue to inform the service community utilizing its monthly Medicaid Bulletins and DMH/DD/SAS will continue to inform the service community utilizing Communication Bulletins. Communications specific to the local management entities – managed care organizations (LME-MCOs) may be done jointly between DMA and DMH/DD/SAS as needed utilizing the LME-MCO Communication Bulletin format.

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