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Subject: Tenancy Support Service Definition and TCL Benefit Plan

This bulletin informs LME-MCOs that the final version of the Tenancy Support Service Definition is now available.

Division of Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities/Substance Abuse Services (DMH/DD/SAS) and LME-MCO staff collaborated on the development of this definition which is available at:
<http://www.ncdhhs.gov/providers/provider-info/mental-health/service-definitions>.

Tenancy Support is a rehabilitation service intended to increase and restore individuals' ability to live successfully in the community. It focuses on increasing individuals' ability to live as independently as possible, managing their illness, and reestablishing their community roles related to the emotional, social, safety, housing, medical and health, educational, vocational, and legal life domains.
Tenancy Support is available only to individuals of TCLI who receive a housing slot.

The service will become active on 11/1/15 to allow for contracting with providers prior to of the transition of the service from the current contracted provider to the LME-MCO service system. The Transition to Community Living Initiative (TCLI) Mental Health Services allocation will be pulled down utilizing this service code (code YM120, rate \$13.40 per 15 minute unit). A revised allocation will be forthcoming that adds an account for the dollars to be pulled down through UCR.

The AMTCL benefit (attached) will also be active effective 11/1/15. In order to pull down the TCLI Mental Health Services allocation, the Tenancy Support Team (TST) service will need to be utilized in conjunction

with the AMTCL Benefit Plan. **All AMTCL eligible individuals need to be assigned to the AMTCL Benefit Plan in NCTracks prior to submitting claims for the Tenancy Support service.**

Additionally, designated providers will need to be set up in NCTracks as under contract for providing services to AMTCL individuals. Use of the TCL Benefit Plan will allow for tracking of services provided throughout the state.

DMH/DD/SAS appreciates your participation in making this service available and supporting the individuals in community based housing.

If you have any questions, please contact Ken Edminster at 919-715-2774 or ken.edminster@dhhs.nc.gov.

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