

To: NYS Children and Family Treatment and Support Services (CFTSS) Providers Designated for Other Licensed Practitioner (OLP) and Community Psychiatric Support and Treatment (CPST) to Serve the General Mental Health Population & Providers Interested in Pursuing Designation for OLP and CPST

Re: 14 NYCRR 511-2 Children's Mental Health Rehabilitative Services (CMHRS) Program

Date: August 2, 2019

In accordance with sections 7.09 and 31.04 of the Mental Hygiene Law, the Office of Mental Health (OMH) had determined a regulation is necessary for the provision of Other Licensed Practitioner (OLP) and Community Psychiatric Support and Treatment (CPST) under the Medicaid State Plan Children and Family Treatment Support Services (CFTSS) for the general mental health population. Until a regulation was finalized, provider agencies designated for these clinical services were approved based on an existing licensed relationship with the OMH.

As of July 17, 2019, 14 NYCRR 511-2 Children's Mental Health Rehabilitative Services (CMHRS) Program was promulgated for the provision of OLP and CPST to the mental health population under OMH. The CMHRS regulation not only creates a pathway for existing providers to apply for CMHRS licensure but also, for provider agencies not otherwise licensed by OMH who are interested in providing OLP/CPST to the general mental health population.

With the adoption of the CMHRS regulation, OLP and CPST are now a *licensed program*. As such, provider agencies currently designated for OLP and CPST for the general mental health population must complete an E-Z Prior Approval Review (E-Z PAR) application to continue the provision of such services. The E-Z PAR application must be submitted no later than October 1, 2019.

The E-Z PAR process is intended for use by agencies that currently operate licensed programs under the OMH. The E-Z PAR application has been designed for electronic submission and is incorporated into OMH's Mental Health Provider Data Exchange (MHPD). For provider agencies **not** currently authorized by OMH for the provision of OLP and CPST, but interested in applying for CMHRS licensure, please refer to the *Required Activities for CMHRS Licensure by Applicant* grid below to inform next steps.

The attached slides review information regarding the regulation content and the E-Z PAR process for current CFTSS provider agencies seeking licensure through CMHRS.

*Currently designated OLP/CPST provider agencies are **required** to review the attached slides prior to starting the E-Z PAR process.* Please note, a webinar will be offered in the near future for providers not designated for OLP and CPST by OMH for the general mental health population, who do not otherwise have an OMH license, and would like to apply for CMHRS licensure. This

webinar will provide additional detail regarding requirements for the completion of a Comprehensive PAR.

Note: CFTSS provider agencies, in accordance with existing designation, must continue the provision of OLP and CPST until E-Z PAR activities are complete or no later than October 1, 2019. If a provider agency elects to discontinue the provision of such services prior to October 1st, they must do so via de-designation process. For questions regarding the designation process please contact OMH at OMH-Childrens-Designation@omh.ny.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact OMH at DCFS@omh.ny.gov or your regional Field Office.

Required Activities for CMHRS Licensure by Applicant

Applicant Type	Required Activities	Service Provision
Current OLP and CPST OMH designated provider agency with existing OMH licensure.	1. Submission of E-Z PAR application no later than October 1, 2019.	OLP and CPST service provision will not be interrupted during the E-Z PAR application period.
Current unlicensed provider agency (not currently licensed for any OMH program type) with completed CFTSS Designation Application (whether approved or denied).	1. Must engage in comprehensive PAR process 2. If approved via PAR process, designation application must be updated to reflect the provision of such services.	OLP and CPST cannot be provided for the general mental health population until required activities are completed.
Unlicensed provider agency (not currently licensed for any OMH program type) without completed CFTSS Designation Application.	1. Must complete a CFTSS Designation Application and indicate in the OLP and CPST narrative sections that agency will be engaging in the PAR process. 2. Complete comprehensive PAR process. 3. Following completion of PAR process, update Designation Application accordingly.	OLP and CPST cannot be provided for the general mental health population until required activities are completed.



<p>Current OMH licensed provider agency without completed CFTSS Designation Application.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Must complete a CFTSS Designation Application and indicate in the OLP and CPST narrative sections that agency will be engaging in the E-Z PAR process.2. Complete E-Z PAR process.3. Following completion of E-Z PAR process, update Designation Application accordingly.	<p>OLP and CPST cannot be provided for the general mental health population until required activities are completed.</p>
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