



**CERTIFIED COMMUNITY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
CLINICS (CCBHC)**

CCBHC WORKGROUP MEETING UPDATE

- Beginning in October 2023, the Department of Children and Families (DCF) joined the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) to participate in on-going CCBHC workgroup meetings
- The goals of the meetings are to identify:
 - Certification Requirements
 - Quality Measures
 - Payment Methodology



CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

STAFFING- Staffing requirements, including criteria that staff have:

- Diverse disciplinary backgrounds,
- Necessary State-required license and accreditation, and
- Culturally and linguistically trained to serve the needs of the clinic's patient population

AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF SERVICES

- Crisis management services that are available and accessible 24 hours a day,
- Use of a sliding scale for payment, and
- No rejection for services or limiting of services on the basis of a patient's ability to pay or a place of residence.



CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

CARE COORDINATION —Care coordination, including requirements to coordinate care across settings and providers to ensure seamless transitions for patients across the full spectrum of health services including acute, chronic, and behavioral health needs. Care coordination requirements shall include partnerships or formal contracts with the following:

- Federally-qualified health centers (and as applicable, rural health clinics) to provide Federally- qualified health center services (and as applicable, rural health clinic services) to the extent such services are not provided directly through the certified community behavioral health clinic.
- Inpatient psychiatric facilities and substance use detoxification, post-detoxification stepdown services, and residential programs.
- Other community or regional services, supports, and providers, including schools, child welfare agencies, juvenile and criminal justice agencies and facilities, Indian Health Service youth regional treatment centers, State licensed and nationally accredited child placing agencies for therapeutic foster care service, and other social and human services.
- Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers, independent outpatient clinics, drop-in centers, and other facilities of the Department as defined in section 1801 of title 38, United States Code.
- Inpatient acute care hospitals and hospital outpatient clinics.



CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

SCOPE OF SERVICES- Provision of the following services which, if not available directly through the certified community behavioral health clinic, are provided or referred through formal relationships with other providers:

- Crisis mental health services, including 24-hour mobile crisis teams, emergency crisis intervention services, and crisis stabilization.
- Screening, assessment, and diagnosis, including risk assessment.
- Patient-centered treatment planning or similar processes, including risk assessment and crisis planning.
- Outpatient mental health and substance use services.
- Outpatient clinic primary care screening and monitoring of key health indicators and health risk.
- Targeted case management.
- Psychiatric rehabilitation services.
- Peer support and counselor services and family supports.
- Intensive, community-based mental health care for members of the armed forces and veterans, particularly those members and veterans located in rural areas, provided the care is consistent with minimum clinical mental health guidelines promulgated by the Veterans Health Administration including clinical guidelines contained in the Uniform Mental Health Services Handbook of such Administration.



CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

QUALITY AND OTHER REPORTING

- Encounter data,
- Clinical outcomes data, and
- Quality data.

ORGANIZATIONAL AUTHORITY —Criteria that a clinic be a:

- Non-profit,
- Part of a local government behavioral health authority, or
- Operated under the authority of the Indian Health Service, an Indian tribe or tribal organization pursuant to a contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or compact with the Indian Health Service pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.), or an urban Indian organization pursuant to a grant or contract with the Indian Health Service under title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.).

