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ICD-10 Codes and Targeting Criteria

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Dear Administrator:

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (the Department) is issuing this letter to notify Single Entry Points (SEPs) clients, and providers of amendments to the rules for the Brain Injury (BI) Waiver's section 8.515.3, Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) Waiver section 8.517.2, and Community Mental Health Supports (CMHS) Waiver section 8.509.15. These amendments will bring the Department into compliance with the federal mandate to update or remove all references to International Classification of Diseases, 9th Edition (ICD-9) codes within Department rules.

Community Mental Health Supports Waiver:

Prior to this rule amendment, it was difficult for SEPs, clients, providers, and other parties to understand which individuals were eligible for the CMHS Waiver. In the designated CMHS section of the rules, there was no clear targeting criteria; it was circular in reference and difficult to locate.

This amendment to the CMHS rule establishes targeting criteria in section 8.509.15 and defines a person experiencing a severe and persistent mental health need that requires assistance with one or more Activities of Daily Living (ADL). For example:

- The individual is 53 years old; living with Schizophrenia for several years which is disabling to the client; needs moderate assistance with bathing and dressing.
 - These factors would allow this individual to meet the targeting criteria and be eligible for the CMHS waiver.
- The individual is 27 years old; a few months ago diagnosed with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD); quickly increasing in severity; and she requires assistance with dressing and supervision and behavior.
 - These factors combined would allow this individual to meet this targeting criteria and be eligible for the CMHS waiver.

Brain Injury Waiver:

The targeting criteria for the Brain Injury Waiver has been amended to remove the International Classification of Diseases, 9th Edition (ICD-9) codes from the rule. For an individual to meet the

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targeting criteria on the BI Waiver, he or she is no longer required to provide a specific ICD diagnostic code; but rather provides a broad diagnosis found within the most current version of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) at the time of assessment that would fall under those bulleted within the rule. A SEP would be provided a Professional Medical Information Page (PMIP) with a diagnostic code listed for a brain injury, which would then be matched to one of the wide-ranging diagnoses listed in the BI rule. For example:

- ICD-10 Code, S06.6x4A – Traumatic subarachnoid hemorrhage with loss of consciousness of 6 hours to 24 hours, initial encounter.
 - This code would fit under number five of the diagnoses listed in the BI rule, Subarachnoid and/or intracerebral hemorrhage, therefore meeting targeting criteria.

Spinal Cord Injury Waiver:

The targeting criteria for the Spinal Cord Injury Waiver has been amended to remove the International Classification of Diseases, 9th Edition (ICD-9) codes 952 through 954.9 from the rule. In order meet the targeting criteria for the SCI Waiver, an individual is no longer required to provide a specific diagnostic code listed for a spinal cord injury, but rather provides a broad diagnosis found within the most current version of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) at the time of assessment that would fall under those bulleted within the rule. The SEP receives the PMIP with the ICD-10 Code, and would match that code to one of the general SCI diagnoses listed in the rule. For example:

- ICD-10 Code, S14135A Anterior cord syndrome at C5 level of cervical spinal cord, initial encounter.
 - Anterior cord syndrome, which would meet the waiver targeting criteria.

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