



## Deputy Secretary Behavioral Health Monthly Updates Report on December Activities 2022

### Standing Updates

- **Bed Registry and Referral System**

Please find attached the patient flyer regarding inpatient and outpatient care coordination established in partnership with 211MD. This service provides discharge planners in hospital emergency departments access to care coordination by dialing 211 Press 4 seven days per week from 8 am-8 pm or by registering patients through the [online portal](#) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

MDH and MD211 are offering web-based training (211md.org/care coordination) for how to refer patients and how to access the provider portal. Emergency regulations are being reviewed by the relevant legislative committee that will require hospital emergency departments to register patients with 211MD within 48hrs of arriving at the emergency department provided they have undergone an initial psychiatric evaluation and the emergency department discharge planner needs assistance with behavioral health inpatient or outpatient placement.

- **Crisis System Development: Maryland Crisis System Workgroup**

BHA hosted the Maryland Crisis System Workgroup meeting on December 20, 2022. Health Management Associates, a national-level consulting firm, provided an in-depth review of the rate analysis for crisis services. This information was derived from surveys with Maryland crisis providers and national comparisons. The Medicaid Administration provided a presentation on the background funding, provider requirements, and covered benefits for mobile crisis teams and crisis stabilization centers. Regulations are expected to be printed in the Maryland Register for public comment. The Maryland Department of Health is targeting July 1, 2023 as the start date.

#### **Suicide Prevention Monthly Newsletter**

The Maryland Department of Health's Office of Suicide Prevention provides suicide prevention training, resources, and technical assistance to advance the development of comprehensive suicide prevention and early intervention service system for individuals, families, groups, and communities. As part of their activities, they provide a Monthly Newsletter, called the Scoop.

If you would like to receive these monthly newsletters, please click on the link below to join the contact list.

<https://visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/d.jsp?llr=prydusebb&p=oi&m=prydusebb&sit=6yvkxibqb&f=65eccc8-ac4c-48b2-ab4a-600fba6c4c57>

### Recurring Events (Webinars, Conferences, Meetings, etc.)

- **BHA Opioid Overdose Prevention Clinical Advisory Team**

- First Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. To be added to the calendar invitation, please email [steven.whitefield@maryland.gov](mailto:steven.whitefield@maryland.gov).



## Deputy Secretary Behavioral Health Monthly Updates Report on December Activities 2022

- **Public Health Webinar**

- First Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. To be added to the calendar invitation, please email [ivajeane.smith@maryland.gov](mailto:ivajeane.smith@maryland.gov) or [steven.whitefield@maryland.gov](mailto:steven.whitefield@maryland.gov).

To join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89345114259>

Or One tap mobile: US: +13017158592, 89345114259# or +19292056099, 89345114259#

Or Telephone: Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location): US: +1 301 715 8592 or +1 929 205 6099 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 669 900 6833

Webinar ID: 893 4511 4259. International #s available:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89345114259>

[Or import the iCalendar \(.ics\) files to your calendar system.](#)