

Children's Behavioral Health Initiative (CBHI) Information

Public Announcement #2:

Revised announcement date for Crisis Stabilization network

Public Announcement #1, dated March 3, 2009, indicated that MassHealth had previously filed a motion in United States District Court seeking a partial extension of the service implementation deadline in the class action lawsuit known as “Rosie D. v. Romney.” On February 25, 2009, a decision was made regarding the implementation dates for four of the CBHI services, and the revised dates were listed. The public announcement also indicated that, despite these changes in implementation dates for some of the CBHI services, the submission deadline of the Application for Network Affiliation (ANA), through which the provider networks for those services is being developed, was not delayed. That process has moved forward, with the ANA due date of March 13, 2009, and the announcement of the MCE common network planned for posting on the MCE web sites on May 1, 2009.

The purpose of this document is to communicate one exception to this plan. Specifically, because the implementation date for Crisis Stabilization had been deferred until December 1, 2009, a network for this service will *not* be announced on May 1, 2009. It is anticipated that the announcement of the network for this service only will be delayed until after July 1, 2009.

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