Dear BHACA Community,

BHACA Blast #12 Headlines:

- Register for June 20 Webinar on Privacy and Integrated Behavioral Health: Special Considerations Under HIPAA and Part 2— Register at https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/1473496573153403393. More information is available below.
- Billing Resources A template for using Pivot Tables in Excel to track your denied claims can be found on NBHP's website here: http://www.nbhp.org/your-biggest-pain-in-the-neck-claims-denials----how-to-reduce-them----may-23-2014.html (scroll down for more information)

All best, The BHACA Team

webinar.

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BHACA: Integrated Health Care (IHC)

 Registration Now Open for Webinar on Privacy and Integrated Behavioral Health: Special Considerations Under HIPAA and Part 2

Date & Time: Friday, June 20, 10:00 – 11:30 AM

To Register: https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/1473496573153403393

Description: Questions about confidentiality often arise when integrating behavioral health care with primary care. Sharing patient/client information among health care providers in an integrated setting is often quite permissible, yet many misconceptions exist about what data can and cannot be shared. This webinar will help correct such misconceptions and provide clarity about the regulations for sharing mental health and substance use information.

Marshall Preddy, JD, Associate General Counsel and Privacy Officer with Lone Star Circle of Care, will provide precise yet comprehensive information about how the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and 42 Code of Federal Regulations Part 2 (42 CFR Part 2) apply to sharing mental health and substance use information in integrated health care settings. Mr. Preddy presented on this topic at a BHACA event last November. His presentation was so well-received that we asked him to present again via

• Latest APA Journal Focused on IHC – The latest issue of American Psychologist (Volume 69, Issue 4, May – June 2014), the journal of the American Psychological Association, focuses on the integration of primary care and psychology. To see a list of articles, view

abstracts, and purchase PDFs of full articles, please see http://psycnet.apa.org/journals/amp/69/4/.

• New Edition of eSolutions – Can Nurses Be the Cornerstone of Integrated Care? – The latest edition of the Center for Integrated Health Solutions' online newsletter, eSolutions, focuses on the key role that nurses can play in integrated health care settings. It is available at http://www.integration.samhsa.gov/about-us/esolutions-newsletter/e-solutions-may-2014.

BHACA: Maximizing Third Party Funding Streams – Insurance Credentialing and Billing & Coding Resources

- Tracking Denied Claims Resource: Excel Pivot Tables The Friday, May 23rd event "Your Biggest Pain in the Neck Claims Denials: How to Reduce Them" was a huge success. Resources from this event, including PowerPoint and instructions/a template tool for using Pivot Tables in Excel to track your denied claims, can be found on NBHP's website here: http://www.nbhp.org/your-biggest-pain-in-the-neck-claims-denials----how-to-reduce-them----may-23-2014.html. (Big thank you to Mandie Eichenlaub, Director of Managed Care at MHMRA of Harris County, for being our fearless and informative leader in this presentation and discussion.)
- **Billing Questions Listserv** Based on the enthusiastic response from the group who met on Friday, May 23rd, for "Your Biggest Pain in the Neck Claims Denials: How to Reduce Them," regarding the usefulness of a forum to ask and answer ongoing questions about billing issues such as denied claims, we have created a BHACA Billing Group listserv. Please request to be added by sending an email to Elizabeth at nbhb.bhaca@gmail.com.
- Detailed, Informative Resource on Health Reform: Mental Health Parity Laws and Their Interaction with the ACA: http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/mentalhealthparity/ Specifically:
 - FAQs on Mental Health Parity Implementation (ACA FAQs Part V): http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/faqs/faq-aca5.html
 - FAQs on Mental Health Parity Implementation (ACA FAQs Part VII): http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/faqs/faq-aca7.html
 - FAQs on Mental Health Parity Implementation (ACA FAQs Part XVII): http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/faqs/faq-aca17.html

BHACA: Additional Items (of general interest)

• SAMHSA – Listening Session on Confidentiality of Patient Records Regulations *Date & Time*: Wednesday, June 11, 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM Central time *To Register*: http://www.eventbrite.com/e/42-cfr-part-2-listening-session-registration-11357409317

Description from SAMHSA e-mail: You're invited to a <u>public listening session</u> to submit input concerning updates to the Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records Regulations, 42 CFR Part 2.

For More Information: https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2014/05/12/2014-10913/confidentiality-of-alcohol-and-drug-abuse-patient-records

To Learn More About Health Privacy: https://www.samhsa.gov/healthprivacy/