

Hello,

The BHACA Team is moving and shaking! We have resources plus details about events below.

BHACA Blast #6 Headlines:

- **Education Event – Wednesday, April 2** (Note: **Thursday, March 27, is the deadline to register**, and space is filling up quickly!): **Understanding Approaches to Substance Use Treatment and Integration** (registration information below and agenda attached)
- **Save the Date – Next IHC Open Discussion Meeting on Wednesday, April 23** (more information to come)
- **The Website: www.NBHP.org**, has been revamped! **Our intention is to make your internet experience as user friendly as possible.** Keep an eye on the BHACA project online, where we post resources and events related to BHACA project areas (<http://www.nbhp.org/resources-by-project-area-bhaca.html>). Follow BHACA IHC updates on the MHA website (<http://www.mhahouston.org/integrated-health-care-information-and-resources/>).

Together, we are pioneering new paths in health care and behavioral health. We depend on your on-the-ground experience to inform the directions we pursue, so, as always, please don't hesitate to reach out to us with ideas and suggestions.

Thank you,
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BHACA: Electronic Health Record (EHR) Resources

Two short informative pieces on EHRs:

- **"Thinking holistically about EHR selection and implementation,"** *Behavioral Healthcare*

Link: <http://www.behavioral.net/article/thinking-holistically-about-ehr-selection-and-implementation>

- **"In search of the 'perfect' partner: EHR vendors know that you're shopping, but did you know that they are shopping too?"** *Behavioral Healthcare*

Link: <http://www.behavioral.net/article/search-perfect-partner>

BHACA: Medicaid Credentialing/ Billing & Coding Resources

- **“The 2013 Information Technology Vendor Survey,”** *Behavioral Healthcare*

Link: <http://www.behavioral.net/article/2013-information-technology-vendor-survey>

- **“ICD-10 transition: ‘No big deal’ or dealbreaker?”** *Behavioral Healthcare*

Link: <http://www.behavioral.net/article/icd-10-transition-no-big-deal-or-dealbreaker>

This article, for instance, contains the following chart to help agencies assess the risk of revenue being affected by ICD-10 codes:

Revenue source	Share of mix?	Affected by DSM-5 change?	Affected by ICD-10?	Probable risk?
Client self-pay	_____%	Not Likely	Not Likely unless consumer interfaces directly with insurer for benefits	Low
Grant or philanthropic	_____%	Possibly-if DSM-5 codes are needed for qualification, tracking or measurement.	Possibly-If ICD-10 codes are needed for qualification or tracking	Low to Moderate
Public payers - Medicare - Medicaid	_____ _____ _____%	Probably-if DSM-5 codes are required for precertification or authorizations	Yes	High
Comm. insurers - Insurer 1 - Insurer 2 - Insurer 3	_____ _____ _____%	Probably-if DSM-5 codes are required for precertification or authorizations	Yes	High

- A wealth of **additional ICD-10 considerations** can be found on *Behavioral Healthcare* magazine

Link: http://www.behavioral.net/search/apachesolr_search/icd-10

BHACA: Integrated Health Care (IHC) Activities and Information

- **Education Event on April 2 – Understanding Approaches to Substance Use Treatment and Integration** – Registration for this BHACA IHC education event is now open. Please see the attached agenda. You may register at

<http://www.mhahouston.org/events/227>. Attendance is limited, so if you register and your plans change, please let us know so that we may make your spot available to others. Please contact Yvonne at ymendoza@mhahouston.org with any questions.

- **Save the Date – Next IHC Open Discussion Meeting on April 23** – The next IHC Open Discussion Meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 23, from 2:00 to 3:30 PM. Additional information and online registration will be available soon.
- **BHACA IHC Google Group** – We are setting up a Google Group that will allow for IHC discussion among BHACA participants. You'll soon be receiving an invitation to join the group. If you're interested, please keep your eyes open for it!
- **New Integrated Health Care Resources** – The following are two recently released publications on integrated health care that may be of interest. The links, which are included here, will also be available on the MHA website at <http://www.mhahouston.org/integrated-health-care-information-and-resources/>. We will be continuing to add resources to the website. If you have any suggestions for integrated health care resources, please feel free to let us know!
 - **Integrating Physical and Behavioral Health Care: Promising Medicaid Models** – This issue brief from the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured came out last month. It discusses a spectrum of integration efforts from universal screening on one end of the continuum to system-level integration of care at the other. Although the overall ideas may be familiar to you, you'll find some examples/case studies that may be new to you, and the overarching Medicaid context also provides a perspective somewhat different from much of the literature on integrated care. It's a short, easy-to-read, and well-organized document, available at <http://kff.org/medicaid/issue-brief/integrating-physical-and-behavioral-health-care-promising-medicaid-models/>.
 - **Integrating Behavioral Health Across the Continuum of Care** – The American Hospital Association recently released this excellent publication, available at <http://www.hpoe.org/resources/guides/1588>. It is very well-organized in a reader-friendly fashion that may be useful when presenting information to funders, new staff, Board members, etc. It is written with hospitals and larger health care systems in mind, but I have found that the information overall is applicable to other health care organizations as well.
- **CIHS Webinar Archive – Resources for the New Integrated Health Care Workforce** – The recording and slides from last week's Center for Integrated Health Solutions webinar on "Resources for the New Integrated Healthcare

Workforce” are available at <http://www.integration.samhsa.gov/>. Scroll down to the box titled “Webinars.”

BHACA: Additional Resources

- **National Council Webinar Archive – Behavioral Health Centers of Excellence: The Future of Health** – The webinar slides and recording from last week’s National Council webinar on “Behavioral Health Centers of Excellence: The Future of Health” are available at <http://www.thenationalcouncil.org/events-and-training/webinars/webinar-archive/>.