



***Pictured above:** Thank you to all the clinicians who joined us for the June 5th BHACA training on "The DSM-5: Clinical Assessment, Diagnosis, and Supervision -- Take Two," and especially thank you to the talented presenter Joel Carr, PhD, LCSW, LPC, Clinical Team Leader, MHMRA of Harris County, who has been so generous in contributing his expertise to train over 250 clinicians across Houston on the DSM-5.*

Dear BHACA Community,

Happy June! It's going to be a busy month for BHACA, as you can see from our headlines below.

We're also excited to welcome Krystal Lau to the BHACA team! Krystal is interning with the BHACA Initiative for the next four months (through September 23, 2015). She recently completed a Master's in Bioscience and Health Policy at Rice University. In the fall, she will be starting a PhD in Health Management at Imperial College in London. In the meantime, we are lucky to have her on the team!

BHACA Blast #38 Headlines:

Thursday, June 11: EHR and Health IT Security Training: ONLY A FEW SPOTS LEFT!

Title: Safe Electronic Data: Managing Behavioral Health Client Confidentiality in the Age of Electronic Health Record Systems (EHRs), Health Information Exchanges (HIEs), and Coordinated Care

Presenters: Phil Beckett, PhD, CTO, Greater Houston Healthconnect, healthcare technologist; Mike Eber, JD, MPH, Principal of The Eber Law Firm, PLLC, healthcare attorney.

Location: Jewish Family Service (4131 South Braeswood Boulevard).

Date & Time: Thursday, June 11, 2015, 9:00am to 11:00am (registration opens at 8:30am).

Registration Link: www.nbhp.org/safe-electronic-data.html

CEUs: 2 hours of CEUs will be available for licensed social workers, LPCs, LMFTs, and LCDCs.

Please Note Re. Parking: Please plan on arriving no later than 8:20 as parking will be limited. Street parking available along Linkwood Drive if lot is full.

Friday, June 19: Primary Care/Behavioral Health Integration Peer Networking Group

Title: Primary Care/Behavioral Health Integration Peer Networking Group

Location: Mental Health America of Greater Houston (2211 Norfolk, Suite 810)

Date & Time: Friday, June 19, 2015, 2:30pm to 4:00pm

Honoring Our Collaborators: THANKS to Harris County Healthcare Alliance and Stacy Ogbeide, PsyD, Healthcare for the Homeless-Houston.

Registration: www.mhahouston.org/events/426/

Registration Limits: As space is limited, registration will be accommodated on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Wednesday, June 24: Austin or Bust!—Billing, Collecting and Credentialing Classes

Title: Billing, Collecting, and Credentialing for Behavioral Health—in Austin!

Location: LifeWorks, Inc. (East Austin Resource Center, 835 N Pleasant Valley Rd, Austin, TX 78702)

Date & Time: Wednesday, June 24, 2015, full day of training (8:30am to 4:45pm).

Honoring Our Collaborators: THANKS to MHMRA of Harris County, LifeWorks, Inc., St. David's Foundation, and Beacon Health Options, for working with the BHACA team (Network of Behavioral Health Providers and Mental Health America of Greater Houston) to make this day of training possible!

Additional Information: <http://www.nbhp.org/behavioral-health-billing--in-austin.html>

Tuesday, June 30: Live Viewing & Discussion of Webinar from SAMHSA-HRSA Center for Integrated Health Solutions (CIHS)

Title: Medical Monitoring in Behavioral Health: The Role of the Psychiatric Medical Team

Location: Mental Health America of Greater Houston (2211 Norfolk, Suite 810)

Date & Time: Tuesday, June 30, 2015, 11:45 AM (webinar begins at 12:00 PM) to 2:00 PM

Registration for Live Viewing and Links to Additional Webinar

Information: <http://www.mhahouston.org/events/432/>

Live Viewing Description: As a group, we will be viewing and discussing this CIHS webinar. Please feel free to bring your lunch to eat during the webinar.

We hope to see you this month at one or more of our events!

All best,

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BHACA: Integrated Health Care (IHC)

- ***IHC & Mobile Apps – New Edition of e-Solutions*** – The latest issue of the Center for Integrated Health Solutions' online newsletter, *e-Solutions*, focuses on the use of mobile apps within integrated health care. As always, other information and resources are also included. To read, please [click here](#).

- ***Webinar from Institute for Research, Education & Training in Addictions (IRETA) – “What is the Evidence for Drug SBIRT and What Does it Mean?”***

Date & Time: Wednesday, July 1, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Presenters: Dr. Richard Saitz is a general internist and primary care physician, Chair and Professor of Community Health Sciences at Boston University (BU) School of Public Health, and Professor of Medicine at BU School of Medicine. He is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians and of the American Society of Addiction Medicine, and is certified by the American Boards of Internal Medicine and Addiction Medicine.

Registration: [Click here](#)

Description: The best evidence for the efficacy of SBIRT is for hazardous alcohol use in primary care settings. This evidence has been used in support of SBIRT programs in many diverse settings, for patients with more severe conditions and for people who use other drugs. In this webinar, we will review the evidence on SBIRT for other drugs, hazardous use of drugs and drug disorders in general health settings. The bulk of the evidence suggests lack of efficacy. *Does this mean that drug use should not be identified in general health settings? If drug use is identified what should be done?*

BHACA: Choosing a Certified Electronic Health Record System

- ***Comments due June 15th regarding modifications to Meaningful Use.***
Modification to Meaningful Use in 2015-2017 NPRM – Proposes revised requirements for eligible professionals, eligible hospitals, and critical access hospitals participating in the EHR Incentive Programs in years 2015 through 2017. Submit comments via regulations.gov. Learn more about this proposed rule through a CMS webinar, **Modifications to Meaningful Use in 2015 through 2017** proposed rule.
 - **PDF Presentation**
 - **Webinar Recording** (Recording ID: 8K2F25; Key: eHealth)
- ***Cybersecurity has shifted from being a strictly IT concern to being the concern of board members and trustees of healthcare organizations, as well.*** Read more: [click here](#).

BHACA: Maximizing Third Party Funding Streams Revenue—Resources Related to Insurance Billing and Credentialing

- ***Webinar from CMS – “Marketplace 101”***
Date & Time: Thursday, June 11, 12:00PM to 1:30PM CDT
Registration: [Click here](#). (Join the audio portion of the webinar on 1-877-267-1577, conference ID: 998 275 879.)
Description: The CMS National Training Program will provide a high-level overview of the Affordable Care Act and the Health Insurance Marketplace. Topics reviewed will include qualified health plans, eligibility and minimal essential coverage, enrolling in a plan, the Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP), and where to get assistance.
- ***Call Hosted by CMS – “Preparing for Implementation and New ICD-10-PCS Section X”***
Date & Time: Thursday, June 18, 12:30PM to 2:00PM CDT
Registration: [Click here](#).
Description: It’s not too late to get ready for ICD-10 implementation on October 1, 2015. During this Medicare Learning Network (MLN) Connects National Provider Call, CMS subject matter experts will present strategies and resources to help you prepare. Also, learn about ICD-10-PCS Section X for new technologies, which will be used by hospitals. A question and answer session will follow the presentations.
Agenda:
 - National implementation update and preparation strategies
 - ICD-10-PCS Section X for new technologies
 - Testing update

- Provider resources

Target Audience: Medical coders, physicians, physician office staff, nurses and other non-physician practitioners, provider billing staff, health records staff, vendors, educators, system maintainers, laboratories, and **all Medicare providers.**

Continuing Education: Continuing education credit may be awarded for participation in certain MLN Connects Calls. Visit the [Continuing Education Credit Information](#) web page to learn more.

- ***Many behavioral health providers need to begin Medicaid re-enrollment applications "immediately," to quote TMHP: "Reminder: All providers that render services through Medicaid managed care organizations must re-enroll by March 24, 2016*** (Information posted May 22, 2015)

“As a reminder, any Texas Medicaid provider enrolled before January 1, 2013, must be re-enrolled by March 24, 2016. This re-enrollment requirement applies to those providers that render services through Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) or through traditional fee-for-service Medicaid.

“Just as providers must be enrolled in Texas Medicaid before they can be contracted and credentialed by a managed care organization (MCO) or dental plan, providers must be re-enrolled with Texas Medicaid to maintain credentialing with their plan. In order for providers to maintain credentialing with their Medicaid MCOs, providers must be sure they are fully re-enrolled before the March 24, 2016 deadline.

“To be considered fully re-enrolled providers must:

- Submit a completed re-enrollment application
- Receive a notification from the Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership (TMHP) that their application has been approved.

“Important: To allow sufficient time for re-enrollment application processing, providers are **encouraged to begin this process immediately.**

“For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at [1-800-925-9126](tel:1-800-925-9126).”

- ***Lawmakers propose ICD-10 two-year “grace period:”*** “U.S. lawmakers are making their third attempt in just over a month to tweak ICD-10 with new legislation...” To read more, [click here](#).

BHACA: Outcome-Based Evaluation

- ***Industry advice on rolling out healthcare data analytics.*** One idea is to start with claims data, and an absolute necessity is to have executive buy in. Read more: [click here](#).

BHACA: Additional Items of General Interest

- ***SAMHSA launches free online technical assistance support, called BHBusiness, for behavioral health businesses.*** To learn more: [click here](#).

About BHACA: The Behavioral Health Affordable Care Act (BHACA) Initiative is a major collaborative endeavor of the Network of Behavioral Health Providers (NBHP) and Mental Health America of Greater Houston (MHA) designed to support Greater Houston area mental health and substance use providers in responding to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and other recent healthcare reforms across four domains: (1) enhancing and increasing the delivery of integrated health care (IHC), (2) maximizing third party funding streams revenue, (3) adopting certified electronic health record (EHR) systems, and (4) developing outcome-based evaluations. The BHACA Initiative is generously funded by Houston Endowment Inc., The Meadows Foundation the United Way of Greater Houston Community Response Fund and the Rockwell Fund.