

# Practice Management Insight

A report on events affecting Oklahoma providers

January 2014

## Letters of Collaboration/Termination update

As you may know, ODMHSAS PICIS site was down from Thursday, January 2 until Tuesday, January 7. As a result, the start date of Letters of Collaboration/Termination has been pushed back to February 6, 2014 to minimize the impact. We first talked about LOC/LOT in the December newsletter.

If a customer already has an open level PA at another agency, when your agency submits a level PA, the PA will be put on pending status. At this time, the agency must determine whether a collaboration or termination is needed.

Letters of Termination are signed agreements that state the customer only wants to receive services from your agency. To be able to do a letter of termination, the provider must have at least submitted one CDC and received a response that the customer is being served at another agency.

Letters of Collaboration are agreements between two agencies and the customer. The collaboration letter is signed by both clinicians and the customers, but does not need to be sent to [ODMHSAS](#).

Training dates are still available. Click [here](#) for more information.

## Therapeutic Foster Care now available in ThinkHealth

Now available in ThinkHealth is Therapeutic Foster Care! You can input your TFC treatment plans that include your foster parents problems and goals. Enjoy special TFC assessments that help you fill out your treatment plan for well rounded TFC patient care.

## Healthcare Information Exchange goes live

The Healthcare Information Exchange module is now live in ThinkHealth. Upload client data directly to the HIE network where all medical records are shared between participate providers. Client data is easily available to you and able to be shared with other personnel. For more information, contact OrionNet Systems.

## ThinkHealth - Touch for Android



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**Over a six-year period, Ecstasy-related emergency department visits rose 128 percent for those younger than 21**

Hospital emergency department visits related to the dangerous hallucinogenic drug Ecstasy, sometimes known as "Molly," increased 128 percent between 2005 and 2011 (from 4,460 visits in 2005 to 10,176 visits in 2011) for visits among patients younger than 21 years old, according to a new report from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration ([SAMHSA](#)).

**43.7 Million Americans experienced mental illness in 2012**

Nearly one in five [American](#) adults, or 43.7 million people, experienced a diagnosable mental illness in 2012 according to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). These results are consistent with 2011 findings. SAMHSA also reported that, consistent with 2011, less than half (41 percent) of these adults received any mental health services in the past year.

## Fostering an Ounce of Prevention, Many People at a Time

*Like public health, behavioral healthcare will need to prevent, intervene early, and work with groups and communities.*

Already, it is very clear from national meetings held since October 1 that we have much work to do to adapt behavioral healthcare to the changes being introduced through the Affordable Care Act ([ACA](#)). Several major undertakings have very high priority for us: Helping uninsured persons with behavioral health conditions enroll in health insurance; helping them access care in a new way through medical and health homes; helping them access necessary wrap-around benefits, such as job and housing supports. Fortunately, each of these things is a logical extension of activities we already are doing. Hence, the transition should be relatively easy and seamless.

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## Oklahoma Healthcare Authority News

- Starting January 6, 2014, OHCA will begin accepting the revised 1500 paper claim form. Please update your staff accordingly.
- OHCA's new SoonerCare Provider Portal will be implemented early January. Providers can access the secure site [here](#)

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- January 1**  
 Happy New Year!
- Cervical Health Awareness Month**  
 National Cervical Cancer Coalition  
[More Information](#)
- National Birth Defects Prevention Month**  
 March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation  
[More Information](#)
- National Blood Donor Month**  
 American Association of Blood Banks (AABB)  
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- January 7**  
 RBSS  
 James O. Goodwin Health Center, Tulsa
- January 9**  
[Human Trafficking 101](#)  
 Moore Norman Technology Center's South Penn Campus
- January 16**  
[Toxic Relationships in the Workplace for Managers](#)  
 Shepherd Mall Training Center, OKC
- January 16 - January 17**  
[Motivational Interviewing](#)  
 Moore Norman Technology Center, Norman
- January 19 – 25**  
 Healthy Weight Week  
[More Information](#)
- January 20**  
 Martin Luther King Day
- January 20**  
 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service  
 Corporation for National and Community Service  
[More Information](#)
- January 21 - January 24**  
[Case Management Training](#)  
 Shepherd Mall Training Center, OKC
- January 22**  
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 Shepherd Mall Training Center, OKC
- January 30**  
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**January is...**

**National Glaucoma Awareness Month**

**National Medical Group Management Week**

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 —Rebecca Kroeker, ATS

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## Oklahoma Watch: Affordable Care Act is to expand mental health coverage, but will there be enough providers?

The [Affordable Care Act](#) isn't just about access to primary care physicians and prescription drugs. It also requires insurers to provide benefits to people with mental illness, emotional disorders and substance abuse problems. But some health professionals are worried there might not be enough psychiatrists and psychologists to go around.

Under the Affordable Care Act of 2010, widely known as Obamacare, all individual and small group insurance policies sold in Oklahoma and other states must provide a number of essential health benefits, starting Jan. 1.



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