



# Value Behavioral Health of Pennsylvania, Inc.

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- Summer Therapeutic Activities Program (STAP)



- **The webinar will begin at 1:00**
- **We are waiting for the other**
- **participants to join**





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# *Summer Therapeutic Activities Program (STAP)*

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Summer 2010



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- Jim Friend, Special Projects Manager
  - Karla Barger, Provider Relations Manager
  - Jennifer Randolph, CAFS Manager
  - Christina Bowman, Authorization Specialist



## *STAP Providers.....*

- Are MA Providers with Provider Type 50
- Adhere to the MA Bulletin 50-96-03 issued on 4/25/96
- Have letters of support from County MH/MR
- Have an OMHSAS Approved Service Description – DPW Mental Health Attachment 7 Service Description Format
- Contractually renew with VBH-PA prior to the start of summer camp each year
- Adhere to the MA Bulletin by maintaining an appropriate staff to participant ratio with no additional TSS



## *What should a provider do if there are changes to their previously approved service description?*

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- Any change to the camp or the service description must be approved by OMHSAS.
- These changes include *but are not limited to* changes to the actual services provided, staff qualifications, staff ratios, service site location, supervision & counties served.
- The amended service description and letters of support from the county must be submitted to OMHSAS for approval.



## *Yearly Submissions*

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- Every year each STAP will be required to submit to VBH:

VBH-PA application ([www.vbh-pa.com](http://www.vbh-pa.com))

County MH/MR Letter of Support for the following counties: Erie, Beaver, Fayette, and Greene.

**\*\*Please keep in mind that any changes to the camp must follow those steps outlined in the previous slide\*\***



# *Evaluations*

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- For a child with a current BHRS authorization, there is no need for an additional evaluation. During the natural course of re-evaluations, the evaluator will make recommendations for STAP along with the ongoing BHRS services.
- For a child who is not/will not be receiving BHRS, an evaluator can perform a brief evaluation, and can bill two units for the evaluation.



# *Authorization for STAP*

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- Mail **complete packets** for STAP authorizations as follows:
- **For Erie County Members:**  
VBH-PA, 1601 Sassafras St., Erie, PA 16502  
Attention: VBH-PA Clinical Supervisor
- **For all other VBH-PA Members:**  
VBH-PA, 520 Pleasant Valley Road, Trafford, PA 15085  
Attention: Christina Bowman



## ACT 62

- It is imperative that for those children where ACT 62 does apply, you have confirmed with their primary insurance if they will/will not be authorizing STAP.
- In those cases that commercial insurance will pay it is imperative to obtain parallel authorizations.
- It is essential that EOB's or statement of non-coverage is submitted to VBH-PA.



## *What is in a Complete Packet?*

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- The evaluation
- The Family Choice Sheet
- The plan of care (POC)
- The ISPT sign-in sheet
- The Treatment Plan
- Act 62 fax coversheet indicating if commercial insurance will pay or not.





## *Site Visits*

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- In 2010, the VBH-PA Provider Relations Department will be visiting all of the Summer Camps. On many of those visits representatives from the respective counties will also be present.
- VBH Provider Field Coordinators will be making contact with each of the camps in the near future in an effort to arrange this year's visits.





# *In Closing*

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- Questions and Answers

