



Behavioral Health Services

Effective January 1, 2006 The Department of Social Services (DSS) and the Department of Children and Families (DCF) implemented a new initiative called the Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership (CT BHP). Under this initiative, DSS and DCF will contract with an Administrative Services Organization (ASO) to authorize and manage behavioral health services for all HUSKY A and HUSKY B Members. On and after this date, CompCare will no longer be responsible for managing behavioral health services for PreferredOne Members.

The CT BHP provides member services, provider services, utilization management, quality management and intensive care management services for behavioral health conditions.

PreferredOne retains responsibility for all primary care services, ancillary services (laboratory, radiology and medical equipment devices and supplies), hospital emergency department services and pharmacy services regardless of diagnosis. For HUSKY A clients, PreferredOne retains responsibility for transportation services regardless of diagnosis.

PreferredOne will continue to be responsible for primary care and other medical services provided by freestanding clinics regardless of diagnosis except for behavioral health evaluation and treatment services provided for a primary behavioral health diagnosis and when provided by a licensed behavioral health professional.

SERVICES MANAGED UNDER THE CT BHP INCLUDE:

- Inpatient mental health and substance abuse treatment at psychiatric and general hospitals;
- Residential detoxification;
- Hospital based observation beds;
- Psychiatric residential treatment facility services (children only);
- Day treatment programs including partial hospitalization, intensive outpatient programs and extended day programs;
- Outpatient services including diagnosis, psychological testing, psychotherapy and medication management at freestanding clinics, hospitals and licensed independent practitioners offices;
- Intensive home-based services (children only);
- Methadone treatment services;
- Home health agency services for clients whose primary diagnosis is behavioral health;
- Other community services will be made available for children with complex behavioral health needs;
- Care coordination (children only)

A full listing of covered services as well as referral assistance and information can be obtained by calling the CT BHP at 1-877-552-8247 or by accessing their website at www.CTBHP.com

SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS

Claims will be processed by Electronic Data Systems (EDS). For dates of services on or after 1/1/06, any claims questions or issues should be directed to EDS at 1-800-842-8440.