BULLETIN 22-04

Date: February 1, 2022

To: Insurers, Nonprofit Health Service Plans, and Health Maintenance Organizations (Carriers)

Re: 2022 Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Analysis Reports and Data Reports

The purpose of this bulletin is to remind carriers of the due date and specify the submission method for the first set of mental health and substance use disorder analysis reports and data reports required by § 15-144 of the Insurance Article, Annotated Code of Maryland. Pursuant to § 15-144 of the Insurance Article and Code of Maryland Regulations (“COMAR”) 31.10.51, on or before March 1, 2022 and March 1, 2024, each carrier subject to the law must submit an analysis report and data report to the Maryland Insurance Administration (“MIA”) for each of the five health benefit plans with the highest enrollment for each product offered by the carrier in the individual, small, and large group markets. The reports must be submitted using only the forms and associated instructions developed by the Commissioner and posted on the Administration’s website.

As announced by the MIA previously, while the deadline to file the first analysis reports and data reports is March 1, 2022, the four Data Supplement forms that provide additional required data related to the responses provided in Step 5 of the analysis report are not required to be submitted until April 1, 2022.

Carriers should submit the reports electronically to the MIA through an encrypted email sent to: mhpaea.mia@maryland.gov. As a reminder, in accordance with § 15-144(h) of the Insurance Article, a carrier should annotate all information within the report that the carrier requests to be treated as confidential, and must provide the statutory authority under the Public Information Act that authorizes the denial of access to the information.

The MIA also wishes to advise carriers that the MIA is in the process of compiling a list of Frequently Asked Questions that have been posed to the MIA by various carriers following publication of the final template reporting forms and instructions. The answers to these questions will be posted to the MIA website on the Insurer page, under a new Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder NQTL Reports section.
Questions about this Bulletin may be directed to the Life & Health Unit of the Maryland Insurance Administration at 410-468-2170.

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