

County of Sacramento Department of Health Services Division of Behavioral Health Services Policy and Procedure

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Title: **Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System After-Hours Response**

Functional Area: **Treatment**

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BACKGROUND/CONTEXT:

The Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Plan requires all eligible members who are in need of substance use disorder (SUD) treatment to have access to a 24-hour phone line for requesting SUD treatment services. The System of Care and the DMC-ODS After-Hours Response Line serves this purpose. The DMC-ODS Plan requires all members requesting SUD treatment services to be contacted and receive follow-up in a timely manner.

DEFINITIONS:

- **System of Care:** The primary access point for SUD treatment services, which operates Monday Friday, 8:00 am 5:00 pm, excluding County holidays.
- **DMC-ODS After-Hours Response Line:** The Sacramento County Mental Health Treatment Center operates the DMC-ODS After-Hours Response Line during the hours System of Care offices are closed; weekdays from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m., weekends, and holidays.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this document is to provide a process that ensures individuals contacting the DMC-ODS After-Hours Response Line and requesting SUD treatment services are contacted and receive timely follow-up.

DETAILS:

The Sacramento County Mental Health Treatment Center operates the DMC-ODS After-Hours Response Line during the hours that System of Care offices are closed; weekdays from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m., weekends, and County holidays.

A written log of telephone calls received by the DMC-ODS After-Hours Response Line shall be submitted to the System of Care on a daily basis. The DMC-ODS After-Hours Response Log will be completed as fully as possible and contain:

- Date of call
- Shift when call received
- Time of initial call
- Name of the calling party
- Telephone number of caller
- Nature of the request

The first business day after the call is received, the System of Care will contact the individuals who may be requesting SUD treatment services. The DMC-ODS After-Hours Log will be emailed daily to the System of Care at: SUPTSOC@SacCounty.net

System of Care staff shall ensure the above email box is checked daily to retrieve the the DMC-ODS After-Hours Log. System of Care staff shall review the log and take the following actions:

Step	Action		
1	Does the Dispo/Divert section of the After Hours Log contain "1		
	Adult System of Care" or "2 Youth System of Care"?		
	Yes follow-up is needed. Go to Step 2.		
	No follow-up is not needed. Go to Step 4.		
2	Call the individual listed on the Log		
	Clarify nature of call. Is the call related to substance use disorder		
	services?		
	Yes		
	 Obtain additional contact information 		
	 Initial the Log in box labeled "Access Follow-up and Initial." 		
	 Indicate the date and time of the call 		
	Assign to System of Care clinician		
	No		
	Answer any questions		
	o Initial the Log in the box labeled "Access Follow-up and Initial."		
3	Repeat this process until all calls are addressed then Go to Step 4.		
4	Scan the After Hours Log to the QM W: drive folder located at		
	W:\BHS\MH\QM\Access After Hours Logs		

RELATED POLICIES

PP-BHS-MHTC-07-02 After Hours Response Line

DISTRIBUTION:

Enter X	DL Name	Enter X	DL Name
X	SUPT Administration		SUPT Prevention Providers
X	SUPT County Counselors		SUPT Adult Treatment Providers
	SUPT Collaborative Courts		SUPT Youth Treatment Providers
X	SUPT System of Care		Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board
X	SUPT Administrative Support Staff		BHS Mental Health Services

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SUPT Proposition 36	BHS Quality Management

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