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#### OVERVIEW:

Aetna Better Health of Louisiana (ABHLA) is aligned with the Louisiana Department of Health's Medicaid Services Manual, and would like to remind providers to refer to these manuals when submitting claims. If the manual requires additional guidance impacting reimbursement, the details will be outlined by ABHLA in a supporting reimbursement policy.

ABHLA alerts providers to the following additions and changes to the Behavioral Health Services Provider Manual (Chapter 2 of the Medicaid Services Manual) published on 02/05/2021:

- A new section, [2.3 Outpatient Services – Peer Support Services](#), was added to the manual.<sup>1</sup>
- Changes were made to [Appendix D Approved Curriculum/Equivalency Standards](#).<sup>2</sup> New language appears underlined and deleted language has been stricken-through.
- Changes were made [Appendix E-4 Evidence Based Practices \(EBPs\) Policy - Multi-Systemic Therapy \(MST\)](#).<sup>3</sup> New language appears underlined and deleted language has been stricken-through.

Please note that providers may see reimbursement impacted if not aligned to the Louisiana Department of Health's Medicaid services manual within 30 days of the date of this reminder notification.

#### Questions and Support:

For questions, please contact [LAProvider@AETNA.com](mailto:LAProvider@AETNA.com) or call 1-855-242-0802 and follow the prompts.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.lamedicaid.com/provweb1/providermanuals/manuals/BHS/BHS.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <https://ldh.la.gov/assets/medicaid/PC-PM/12.22.20/AppendixDApprovedCurriculumEquivStandardsPC.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <https://ldh.la.gov/assets/medicaid/PC-PM/AppendixE-4EBP.pdf>