



PROVIDER ALERT

INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT SERVICES (IOP) AUTHORIZATION CHANGE FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER (SUD) SERVICES

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Beacon will accept concurrent authorization requests for ongoing IOP treatment within five days prior to the end of the current existing authorization.

It is important to include **current clinical information**, including progress made thus far in treatment with focus on why the individual continues to meet ASAM criteria or medical necessity criteria. It is not sufficient or necessary to repeat why the individual first started treatment at this level of care.