

BHRS Regulations Workgroup #4 Provider Eligibility

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BHRS Provider Eligibility Currently: At the moment, BHRS is attached to an Outpatient Clinic, Partial Program or Family Based License. That has been the only way to allow for this service. Service Descriptions are required along with a Table of Organization. Very little formal structure was there. As we move forward **with the regulatory process**, we want to think about **what** the specific **BHRS agency** structure should look like as **independently licensed program**.

Example: *Psychiatric clinic (outpatient) services for the mentally and emotionally disturbed will be provided only by a facility which complies with this chapter and is certified by the Department to provide such a program. Nothing in this chapter is intended to regulate the practice of psychiatry or psychology in a solo or group practice. (Provider eligibility at 5200.4)*

Note- All entities licensed by the Department must also comply with Chapter 20 which is the general licensing and approval regulations for all facilities and agencies. BHRS providers will have to comply with Chapter 20 in addition to the specific regulations being developed.

Possible Suggestions: BHRS.6 Provider eligibility.

- (a) BHRS shall be provided only by an agency that complies with this chapter and is licensed by the Department to provide such a program.
- (b) A BHRS agency shall meet the requirements under Chapter 20 (relating to licensure or approval of facilities and agencies).

Questions we want to consider today:

Who will be licensed under this this regulation?

What will be the organizational structure?

What should be included in the regulations to describe the BHRS agency as a separate and distinct organization if it part of a larger entity?