

State of Florida Department of Children and Families

Rick Scott Governor

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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

May 11, 2017

TO:

Regional SAMH Directors and Contract Managers

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Allowable FY 2016-17 Medication Assisted Treatment Services

This memo provides guidance to Regional Offices of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (SAMH) on the allowable service period for Network Service Provider activities funded by Florida's Opioid State Targeted Response (STR) Project under SAMHSHA Notice of Award Grant Number 1H79Tl080273-01.

The major goal of this project is to support additional Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services through Managing Entity subcontracts with Network Service Providers. Details about the scope of the STR authorized services are included in a newly adopted Other Cost Accumulator (OCA) MSOPM.

MAT services are already authorized, using other recurring fund sources, in both the Department's contracts with Managing Entities and some Network Service Provider subcontracts. SAMH has received reports some providers may have already exhausted their previously allocated FY16-17 MAT service funding. To the extent these services would be allowable under OCA MSOPM after subcontract amendment, the Notice of Award supports the use of STR funding as of May 1, 2017. However, Managing Entity contract amendments and Network Service Provider subcontract amendments incorporating these funds will be effective at various future dates.

Pursuant to Governor Scott's Executive Order 17-146, the Office of SAMH authorizes the use of these funds to reimburse providers for otherwise uncompensated MAT services provided beginning May 1, 2017, the effective date of the SAMHSA Notice of Award, notwithstanding the effective date of the implementing contract or subcontract amendment.

This authorization is expressly limited to the following conditions:

- The Network Service Provider must already be authorized by subcontract for the delivery of MAT services.
- The service events subject to this reimbursement must be in compliance with the eligibility and allowability conditions of OCA MSOPM.
- Network Service Provider documentation on file must clearly establish the services provided would, but for this authorization, remain uncompensated by existing resources.