

Provider Informational Calls: COVID-19 and Behavioral Health Providers

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Dear Behavioral Health Providers and Partners,

The Maryland Department of Health (MDH) continues to provide you the most up to date information during the COVID-19 pandemic. To further this effort, MDH is announcing several provider-specific informational calls. Since the outbreak, MDH has been hosting these calls on a small scale with a representative sample of providers to facilitate feedback and discussion. These calls are now **open to all providers** to offer an additional informational forum and to ensure a cohesive and consistent response across the State.

The purpose of these calls is two-fold: 1) connect providers with state personnel who will answer your questions about evolving policies and procedures, resource access, and more; and 2) connect providers with each other to problem-solve and share information and resources.

Starting this week, the following calls will be made available:

Opioid Treatment Programs (OTP) and Buprenorphine Prescriber Conference Call:

This call is geared towards OTPs and buprenorphine prescribers. The call is scheduled for 9:30–10 a.m. every Tuesday and Friday. If you would like to be included on the invite for these meetings or would like more information, please contact Sydney Rossetti at sydney.rossetti@maryland.gov.

Residential Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment Providers Conference Call:

This call is geared towards residential SUD treatment providers. This call is held every other Wednesday from 2–3 p.m. If you would like to be included on the invite for these meetings or would like more information, please contact Leslie Woolford at leslie.woolford@maryland.gov.

Residential Rehabilitation Program (RRP) Conference Call:

This call is geared towards all RRPs and is held every other Wednesday from 1:30–2:30 p.m. If you would like to be included on the invite for these meetings or would like more information, please contact Russell Springham at russell.springham@maryland.gov.