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Temporary Coverage for Furloughed Individuals

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TO: SAPTA Funded Providers

FROM: Brook Adie, LSW, MS, Bureau Chief

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SUBJECT: Temporary Coverage for Furloughed Individuals

The Bureau of Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention (BBHWP) has received approval from our Federal Project Officer to allow temporary coverage for individuals who have been furloughed due to COVID-19, have lost their insurance, and are not eligible for Medicaid based on their income prior to being furloughed. This temporary coverage will be funded out of the provider's current Fee-for-Service Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant subaward. Additional funding is not available at this time.

In order to receive reimbursement for this population, the individual must have been admitted to treatment prior to April 1, 2020. The following documentation must be included with the provider's Request for Reimbursement (RFR):

- Letter from the individual's employer confirming a furloughed/laid off status and;
- Medicaid denial and:
- Screenshot confirming an application for unemployment was completed and ongoing verification that unemployment benefits are currently being received and;
- COVID-19 modifier on monthly invoice and supporting Excel backup documentation

The provider must require the individual to apply for Medicaid monthly. This coverage is only available to existing clients to provide support during the current COVID-19 pandemic. Reimbursement for furloughed individuals will not be allowable prior to April 1, 2020 and will be discontinued at the Bureau's discretion.

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