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To: OHA-approved providers and programs of integrated co-occurring disorders treatment services

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Subject: Clinical supervision requirements for integrated co-occurring disorders (ICD) providers completing secondary behavioral health credentials

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) is providing clarification about clinical supervision requirements in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 309-019-0125(17)(c) for OHA-approved ICD providers who are:

- Fully credentialed according to OARs 309-019 and 309-018,
- Working in OHA-approved ICD programs, and
- Working towards additional behavioral health provider credentials.

OHA will consider these providers in compliance with OAR 309-019-0125 (17)(c) when:

- The “interim program staff,” being already credentialed in other behavioral health scope(s) of practice, will receive, at minimum, three hours of supervision per month;
- Their supervisor meets OAR requirements to supervise in all areas of practice the supervisee is practicing in the approved setting; and
- Their supervision consists of, at minimum, 33 percent group supervision and 33 percent individual supervision. Group supervision must focus on clinical topics in the scope of practice of the developing “candidate” credential. Individual supervision can focus on co-occurring disorders **or** the scope of practice of the developing “candidate” credential.

Why is this happening?

OHA prioritizes health and safety of community members as well as support for practitioners. OHA acknowledges that ICD providers who are already credentialed behavioral health providers have different support needs than practitioners who are new to the behavioral health field. This clarification allows for flexibility in ICD programs.

What should you do?

ICD programs should tailor supervision structure for their providers working towards secondary credentials according to the above guidelines.

Questions?

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