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Public Notice – Integrated Assessment and Treatment Planning Transition Timeframe Extension

HFS is extending the transition timeframe for Integrated Assessment and Treatment Planning (IATP) services as follows:

Effective for dates of service on and after August 1, 2018, IATP replaces the two previously existing services of Mental Health Assessment (MHA) and Treatment Plan Development, Review, and Modification. In support of this transition, HFS has developed the following interim guidance for community-mental health providers transitioning to the usage of the IM+CANS under IATP:

- HFS shall accept all MHAs and Individual Treatment Plans (ITPs) that meet the existing requirements of each respective service outlined in the current version of the [Service Definition and Reimbursement Guide](#) (SDRG) as acceptable instruments for the provision of IATP services through **January 31, 2019**.
- Providers must transition to utilizing the IM+CANS in the provision of IATP services within thirty (30) days of staff receiving in-person IM+CANS training. Providers shall utilize the IM+CANS in the provision of IATP services by no later than **February 1, 2019**. Providers not utilizing the IM+CANS as of **February 1, 2019**, may not be reimbursed for the provision of IATP services.
- Providers serving recipients with active MHA and ITPs may continue to serve recipients under the documentation in these MHA and ITPs. Providers are required to complete the IM+CANS when the following are true:
 - The provider has been trained and certified in the IM+CANS, consistent with the timelines outlined in item 2; and
 - The recipient's active MHA or ITP is expiring and needs to be re-authorized consistent with the timeframes for the completion of MHAs and ITPs currently identified in the SDRG, or the recipient's needs are identified to change so significantly that an update to the recipient's MHA or ITP is deemed medically necessary to ensure appropriate clinical intervention.