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OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 26, 2012
TO: Comprehensive Psychiatric Rehabilitation Adult Program Providers
FROM: Nora Bock, Director of Community Treatment 
RE: Integrated Treatment Fidelity Reviews

The Missouri Department of Mental Health (DMH) began contracting with Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs) in 2007 to provide Integrated Treatment for Co-Occurring Disorders according to the SAMHSA evidence-based practice treatment model. At that time, 20 CMHCs chose to receive the baseline integrated treatment fidelity review and subsequent contract amendment.

At the same time Missouri Foundation for Health was contracting with the Missouri Institute of Mental Health (MIMH) to conduct co-occurring treatment fidelity reviews. After the baseline reviews, the DMH accepted the MIMH fidelity reports to assess agency progress in providing the evidence-based practice. However, MIMH's contract with Missouri Foundation for Health for conducting reviews will end in December 2012.

This is to inform you that DMH will resume responsibility for integrated treatment fidelity reviews beginning in January 2013. Department staff will contact each agency that holds a contract to provide integrated treatment services and, based on the timeframe of the last review, schedule a fidelity review. Reviews will occur on an annual basis. Training and technical assistance are available upon request.

If you have any questions about the fidelity review process or to obtain more information about implementing this evidence-based integrated treatment model, please contact Susan Blume at susan.blume@dmh.mo.gov or (573) 751-8078. Thank you.