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OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 10, 2018
TO: All CPR and CSTAR Providers, Adult and Youth/Adolescent
FROM: Nora Bock, Deputy Director of Community Treatment
Connie Cahalan, Director of Children's Services
SUBJECT: Community Support Specialist Qualifications

Effective August 1, 2018, the Division of Behavioral Health expanded the options for how an individual may be an eligible provider of community support services in a CPR or CSTAR Program. The following language will be added to the next revision of the MO HealthNet CPR and CSTAR provider manuals, will be included in the administrative rule revisions for CPR and CSTAR programs, and will be added to the Community Support 101 documents on the DMH website:

An Associate of Applied Science in Behavioral Health Support from an approved institution.

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