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Senator Andres Ayala, Co-Chair
Representative Selim G. Noujaim, Co-Chair
Legislative Regulation Review Committee
State Capitol – Room 011
Hartford, CT 06106

RE: Payment of Behavioral Health Clinic Services

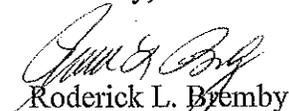
Dear Senator Ayala and Representative Noujaim:

Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 4-170 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I am submitting for your approval a proposed regulation regarding Medicaid payment for behavioral health clinic services. Currently these requirements are contained in the Department's Medical Services Policy Manual. The purpose of the proposed regulation is to establish, in regulation form, the requirements for payment of behavioral health clinic services. In addition, the regulation proposes to: (1) Add new definitions as necessary; (2) incorporate current practice; and (3) clarify the prior authorization process, documentation requirements and billing procedures.

Notice of the proposed regulation was published in the Connecticut Law Journal on August 18, 2009. A public hearing was held on October 15, 2009. A copy of the department's responses to public comment is attached. The Department also accepted, and responded to, a second set of comments received in November 2011. A copy of the department's response to the second set of comments is also attached.

If you or your staff require additional information or clarification concerning this proposed regulation, please contact Bill Halsey at 860-424-5507 or Attorney Lara Stauning at 860-424-4837.

Sincerely,


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