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Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Policy Transmittal: 2020-68

Applicable to the **2018-2023 SMMC contract benefits** for:

- Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) and MMA Specialty
- Long-Term Care (LTC)
- Dental

Re: Behavioral Health Performance Improvement Project (PIP) Requirements Update

The managed care plan must submit ongoing PIPs October 1 of each contract year to the Agency for review and approval. (42 CFR 438.330(c)(1) and (2)) (Attachment II, Section IX.C.3.a.) The purpose of this policy transmittal is to notify the managed care plan of an update in the behavioral health PIP requirements.

The managed care plan must implement updates to the behavioral health PIP that are focused on improving the following measures:

- ❖ 7-day Follow-up After Hospitalizations for Mental Illness;
- ❖ 7-day Follow-up After Emergency Department Visits for Mental Illness; and
- ❖ 7-day Follow-up After Emergency Department Visits for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse or Dependence.

In [PT 2020-46](#), the deadline for submission of the annual PIPs to the Agency was extended from October 1, 2020 to December 1, 2020. With the issuance of [PT 2020-67](#), the Agency is further extending the submission deadline from December 1, 2020 to **January 4, 2021**.

The document attached to this policy transmittal provides more details about the updates required in the behavioral health PIP. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Kelli Bottcher at Kelli.Bottcher@ahca.myflorida.com and copy your Agency contract manager.

Sincerely,

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Attachment: Behavioral Health PIP Updates December 2020

