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TO: Macomb County CMH Direct Operated Provider and Prescribers
Macomb County CMH Contract Outpatient Psychiatric Services Providers,
Medical Directors and Prescribers.

FROM: Carmen R. Serpa, MD, MCCMH Chief Medical Officer

RE: Michigan Automated Prescription System (MAPS) Reports

Date: January 1, 2022

Dear Providers,

MAPS is used to track controlled substances, schedules 2-5 drugs. It is a tool used by prescribers and dispensers to assess patient risk and is also used to prevent drug abuse and diversion at the prescriber, pharmacy, and patient levels. Per Public Acts 248 and 249 of 2017 in effect since June 1, 2018, all Michigan licensed prescribers must register with MAPS and before prescribing or dispensing to a patient any controlled substance in a quantity that exceeds a 3-day supply, a licensed prescriber shall obtain and review a MAPS report concerning that patient.

Effective June 1, 2018, penalties for violation of the above include that if the Bureau of Professional License (BPL) within LARA has a reasonable basis to believe that a prescriber has failed to obtain and review a MAPS report before prescribing or dispensing to a patient a controlled substance in a quantity that exceeds a 3-day supply, or if the department has a reasonable basis to believe that before prescribing or dispensing a controlled substance to a patient a licensed prescriber has failed to register with MAPS, the department may issue a letter to the licensee notifying the licensee that he or she may be in violation of the PA 248 of 2017 (mandated registration and use of MAPS).

Pursuant to the provisions contained in MCL 333.16221(w) and MCL 333.16226(1)(w), also effective on June 1, 2018, licensees who fail to register with MAPS prior to prescribing or dispensing a controlled substance to a patient, may be subject to board sanctions against their license that include: denial, fine, reprimand, probation, limitation, suspension, revocation, or permanent revocation. A letter issued under this section is not considered a disciplinary action.

The CRMC and MCCMH Chief Medical Office encourages all prescribers to remain mindful of this mandate and recommends as best practice all prescribers to check MAPS (for within Michigan and other States as available) at the time of prescribing or dispensing of a schedule 2-5 controlled substance occurs and that this is appropriately documented as completed in the EMR in the event of possible MCCMH Quality Assurance Audits. For those physicians working on collaborative agreements with other licensed prescribers, it is important you actively monitor your NPs or PAs are also actively following this mandate without exemptions.

For more information refer to:

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/LARA_DHHS_Opioid_Laws_FAQ_05-02-2018_622175_7.pdf

