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*****Revised Transition Schedule for Behavioral Health Redesign Announced**

In recognition of the time and technical assistance needed for providers and system stakeholders to thoughtfully transition to the new evaluation and management (E & M) and nursing activity code set, Directors John McCarthy and Tracy Plouck announced today a [revised implementation schedule](#). The coding changes, originally slated to begin July 1, 2016 for voluntary transition, will now begin January 1, 2017. The deadline for final transition remains unchanged; all providers must be fully implemented by July 1, 2017. Also, the planned “go live” for the Specialized Recovery Services program and rendering provider changes remain affixed for July 1, 2016. Stay tuned to <http://bh.medicaid.ohio.gov> for additional information as it becomes available.

*****Training and Technical Assistance Plan**

An outline of [planned training and technical assistance activities](#) for BH Medicaid Redesign was released today. Major topics for engagement include: Coding, BH Redesign Overview, MITS changes, ASAM, ACT, and IHBT. As training details are finalized and registration information becomes available, it will be posted on the [BH Redesign website](#) and sent out via this newsletter. An initial set of training related to CPT codes is in the works, so please save the date for:

- [April 13](#) – Akron, Summit County Public Library, 60 S. High Street, Akron, 44326
- [April 14](#) – Columbus, Ohio Department of Transportation Auditorium, 1980 W. Broad Street, Columbus, 43223
- [April 18](#) – Cleveland, Cuyahoga County Public Library Parma-Snow Branch Auditorium, 2121 Snow Road, Parma, 44134
- [April 25](#) – Cincinnati, Cincinnati-Hamilton County Community Action Agency, Gwen L. Robinson Conference Hall, 1740 Langdon Farm Road, Cincinnati, 45237

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