



## **NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE FOR OUTPATIENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORIZATION FOR DIAMOND STATE PARTNERS PROVIDERS**

**Effective July 1, 2008**, Diamond State Partners has implemented the following change in the Prior Authorization requirements for outpatient behavioral health services. The change will affect both child and adult behavioral health outpatient services. The change is as follows:

- For children under 18 years of age, Prior Authorization must be obtained after the member has received 28 units.
- For adults, 18 years of age and older, Prior Authorization must be obtained after the member has received 18 units.

This change does not affect the basic benefit package. The process of obtaining Prior Authorization for behavioral health will not change. Providers will need to fax Prior Authorization forms to the behavioral health benefits contractor at **1-800-561-2461**. This change does not affect the Prior Authorization requirements for other services such as hospitalization.

For more information on obtaining services beyond the basic benefit package, you may access information under Diamond State Partners at [www.dmap.state.de.us](http://www.dmap.state.de.us).

If you have any additional questions or concerns regarding this change, contact Diamond State Partners Member Services at 800-390-6093.

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