

# Quality Improvement Newsletter

County of Monterey

## 2015/2016 Mental Health Loan Assumption Program (MHLAP) cycle closing soon

The 2015/2016 Mental Health Loan Assumption Program (MHLAP) Cycle will be closing September 30, 2015.

In addition our Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program (LMH) will also be closing on the same date. Many of our County staff may also qualify for this program and are encouraged to apply. Applicants can go to [www.calreach.oshpd.ca.gov](http://www.calreach.oshpd.ca.gov) to complete the application.

For resources on how to apply, please visit [www.healthprofessions.ca.gov/](http://www.healthprofessions.ca.gov/) HPEF Staff will be hosting additional Technical Assistance Calls (TAC)

MHLAP and LMH applicants are encouraged to call in with their questions about the application. To participate in the Technical Assistance Call, dial 1-866-434-5269, and enter the participant code: 439482

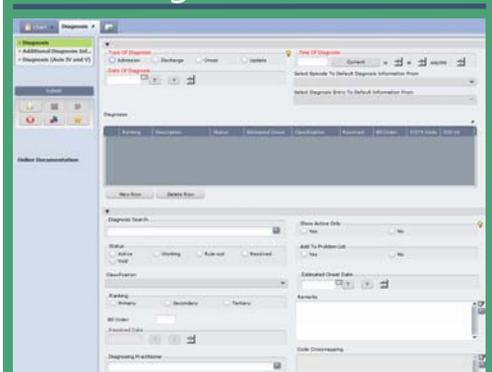
**Dates and times are as follows:**

- September 16 - 5:00 PM
- September 18: 7:45 AM
- September 23 - 5:00 PM
- September 25 - 7:45 AM
- September 28 - 5:00 PM
- September 29 - 7:45 AM
- September 30 - 5:00 PM

*“Whenever you find yourself doubting how far you can go, just remember how far you have come.”*

*Remember everything you have faced, all the battles you have won, and all the fears you have overcome.”*  
-Unknown

## New Diagnosis Form



On September 24, 2015, Monterey County Behavioral Health replaced the myAvatar diagnosis form. The new diagnosis form is designed to be easier to use and will operate differently from past versions.

This change is the result of a HIPAA requirement that mandates the use of ICD-10 code sets. ICD-10 code sets have updated medical terminology and classifications which will provide better data for measuring the care provided to our clients and for making clinical decisions.

New user guides and training videos are available on the [QI website](#) to assist you in using the new form.

## New Draft Psychosocial Assessment Report



### Monterey County Health Department Behavioral Health Bureau List of Draft Psychosocial Assessments

PATID	Client Name	Assessment Date	Last Updated By
224001	ALVAREZ, MARTA	7/7/2015	Sabrina Bruno
224002	MARTINEZ, JUANITA	8/17/2015	Neeraj S. Rao
224003	CHAVEZ, BRUNO	8/17/2015	Walter Alvarez
224004	VENTURA, POLARIS	8/17/2015	Walter Alvarez

Report 224 - Draft Psychosocial Assessment by Staff has been added to Avatar. This report displays a list of clients that have a “Draft” psychosocial assessment.

## 2015 QI Training Future Events

The 2015 MCBH QI trainings are now open for enrollment on the MCBH QI Website!

The following QI trainings are being offered in **October**

- ◆ Oct 16, 2015 - **myAvatar Training**
- ◆ Oct 27-28, 2015 – **Clinical Supervision Training** (5.5 CEU’s for LCSW and LMFT are pending approval as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences. Provider # PCE8o6
- ◆ Oct 30, 2015 – **Psychosocial Assessment Training**

[2015 MCBH QI Trainings](#)

[QI Website training calendar](#)

[myLearningPointe](#)



**Who:** Monterey County Behavioral Health Staff

**When:** First Thursday of every Month  
(next meeting on 10/1/15) 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

**Where:** 1441 Constitution Blvd.,  
Bldg. 400, Suite 200,  
Conference Room 2

Monterey County Bringing Everyone's Strengths Together, MCBEST, is a staff advisory group which began in May 2012. MCBEST is made up of staff members from all levels of the organization who are interested in providing input toward changes within the Monterey County Behavioral Health system.

**OUR MISSION:** To build a supportive and effective environment that transforms Monterey County Behavioral Health into a premier workplace for all employees and a widely respected, productive service organization for our community. Our goal is to create and sustain a culture of excellence with a results-oriented focus on wellness that fosters healthier lifestyles for our staff and the community we serve.

You may review past meeting minutes: <https://www.mtyhd.org/QI/index.php/special-topics/mc-best/>  
Please check-in with your supervisor if you are interested in attending.