



Bulletin Title: Community Based Intervention Levels II & III - Qualified Practitioners
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The Department of Behavioral Health-(DBH or Department) certified Community Based Intervention (CBI) Levels II and III Providers requested that DBH amend Title 22-A District of Columbia Municipal Regulations Chapter 34 (Chapter 34) to allow them to deliver services through a “team model” staffed by both Bachelor’s and Master’s degree level employees. In conjunction with DC Health’s Health Regulation Licensing Administration, the Department reviewed the request and determined that utilizing Bachelor’s level staff as proposed would conflict with the scope of practice provisions for Licensed Social Work Associates under the Health Occupations Revision Act. (*See* D.C. Official Code § 3-1201.2 (18)(A)). The Department, therefore, is not amending Chapter 34 to expand the list of qualified practitioners (QPs) eligible to deliver CBI Levels II and III services to include Bachelor’s level staff. The following licensed clinicians will continue to be QPs for CBI Levels II and III:

- (1) Psychiatrists;
- (2) Psychologists;
- (3) Licensed Independent Clinical Social Workers;
- (4) Advanced Practice Registered Nurses;
- (5) Licensed Professional Counselors;
- (6) Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists;
- (7) Licensed Graduate Social Workers;
- (8) Licensed Graduate Professional Counselors;
- (9) Licensed Independent Social Workers; and
- (10) Psychology Associates.

All DBH-certified CBI Levels II and III Providers must ensure that their staffing plan complies with Chapter 34 within ninety (90) calendar days of the publication of this bulletin. DBH's Accountability Administration is available to provide technical assistance to CBI Providers, including providing guidance about this bulletin. A Department-certified CBI Level II or III Provider's failure to adhere to the staffing requirements enumerated in Chapter 34 may result in corrective and/or adverse action under the Provider's certification and/or Human Care Agreement.

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