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To: All ALF Owners/Administrators

Dear Provider:

The Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC) was created in 2011 and was selected by the Florida Department of Children and Families as Broward County's managing entity for mental health and substance abuse services. BBHC seeks to advocate and ensure an effective and efficient behavioral health system of care is available in Broward County. BBHC is committed to the provision of services that are consumer driven, culturally competent, compassionate, and efficiently managed in an innovative system with fiscal integrity.

Assisted Living Facilities (ALFs) housing three or more mental health clients must obtain a Limited Mental Health License (LMHL). To maintain good standing, ALF staff having client contact must complete the full day mental health training at the Department of Children and Families (DCF) within six (6) months after the ALF obtains their Limited Mental Health License, or within six (6) months of hire for new staff. Following the initial training, three (3) hours of Mental Health continuing education is now required every two years.

The next ALF-LMHL training is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 12, 2017** from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at 201 W. Broward Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale, Room 104B. Staff in need of the (3) hours continuing education refresher may attend either the early or late sessions (8:30 – 12:00 or 1:30 – 5:00).

PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE A FEW CHANGES TO MEET THE NEW RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AN EIGHT-HOUR TRAINING DAY. THE CLASS BEGINS EARLIER AND THERE WILL BE A SHORTER, HALF-HOUR LUNCH BREAK. FULL DAY ATTENDEES ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING LUNCH TO THE CLASSROOM.

Morning session will include:

- Community Mental Health System
- Mental Health Diagnosis and Treatment
- Resident progress in achieving treatment goals

Afternoon session will include:

Recognizing changes in residents' status or condition that may require intervention
Crisis services and Baker Act procedures
Legal Issues and Trauma Issues

Please plan to arrive by 8:20 a.m. for the morning or full-day session.

Please plan to arrive by 1:20 p.m. for the afternoon session.

Upon completion of each training session, certificates will be issued for all attending.
Please note full-day/half-day attendance on the Registration Form and include the appropriate payment.

To reserve your seat(s), please mail completed registration form and money order to:

Laura A. Weber Mental Health Associates, P.A.

Box 1791

Lake Placid, FL 33862

Seats will only be reserved when payment is received with the registration form. The Broward Behavioral Health Coalition and the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Offices will not be accepting faxed registrations. Once registered, there will be no refund for failure to attend the training. Attached you will find a registration form, as well as directions to the training site. Please share this information with any staff attending.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact Laurie Weber at (863) 243-1087 or email her at laweber@htn.net.

Sincerely,

Shackera Scott,
Project Specialist

Attchs: Limited Health License Training Registration Form

cc: Norma Wagner
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