

Letters to Accreditation Agencies

Urging that use of MBC be a requirement for accreditation of all providers delivering MH/SUD care

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[Insurer/TPA] appreciates URAC's leadership in creating an MBC Designation for URAC accredited or certified organizations and providers, yet urges URAC to make the MBC Designation a required standard for accreditation or certification for both behavioral and non-behavioral medical providers.

[Insurer/TPA] thanks URAC for its continued commitment to the incorporation of MBC in its accreditation and certification standards.

The Joint Commission (TJC)

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[Insurer/TPA] appreciates The Joint Commission's (TJC's) revisions effective January 1, 2018 to Care, Treatment and Services (CTS) Standard CTS.03.01.09 for accredited behavioral health care organizations, requiring such organizations to assess outcomes by using a standardized tool or instrument (MBC).
[Insurer/TPA] urges TJC to require MBC standards for accredited non-behavioral medical providers as well as behavioral providers.

[Insurer/TPA] thanks TJC for its continued commitment to the incorporation of MBC in its accreditation standards.

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[Insurer/TPA] thanks NCQA for its continued commitment to excellence in its accreditation standards.

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