

DATE: September 17, 2018

TO: Subscribers

SUGGESTED DISTRIBUTION: Commissioners, Temporary Assistance Directors, Staff
Development Coordinators

FROM: Jeffrey Gaskell, Assistant Deputy Commissioner
Employment and Income Support Programs

SUBJECT: New Type of Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS)
Certified Providers

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

CONTACT PERSON: Temporary Assistance Bureau at: (518) 474-9344

The purpose of this message is to inform social service districts (districts) of a new class of Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment providers. Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) providers deliver SUD services with approval from the Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) through non-OASAS certified providers, such as community based primary care providers. These providers operate under the authority and standards set by OASAS, similar to those providers otherwise certified by OASAS. Therefore, DSRIP providers have been determined to meet OTDA's regulatory definition of appropriate treatment providers as defined in 18NYCRR 351.2(i)(1)(iv)(a). Districts do not need to obtain permission or notify the Temporary Assistance Bureau if applicants or recipients are participating in SUD services through this type of provider.