



**PROVIDER ALERT**

**ACCREDITATION AND LICENSING  
UNDER COMAR 10.63**

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Community-Based Behavioral Health providers are reminded that the deadlines for accreditation and licensing under COMAR 10.63 are rapidly approaching. These regulations potentially affect providers that may not have been required to obtain accreditation and/or licensing in the past. To determine whether or not a specific agency/program/service is required to be licensed under COMAR 10.63, the Behavioral Health Administration has provided important materials, including the application and a decision tree, on its website:

<https://bha.health.maryland.gov/Pages/Accreditation-Information.aspx>.

Agencies/providers with questions or concerns about the regulations or deadlines should send their inquiries to [bha.regulations@maryland.gov](mailto:bha.regulations@maryland.gov) as soon as possible. When emailing your questions, please also provide the following information: agency name; contact person and telephone number; whether an Accrediting Organization (AO) has been selected (if applicable), and if so, which one was selected; the status of the AO application; and the date of the scheduled accreditation visit.