

SUDPOH Summary of Changes – April 2026

SECTION	REVISION	WHAT HAS CHANGED (Section page number in parenthesis)
Cover Page	N/A	
Table of Contents	Added and Removed Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added Section C: BH-CONNECT • Removed Section C: Prevention Services & Specialty Populations and incorporated into Section B: Providing DMC-ODS Services • Added Section L: Behavioral Health Services Act • Removed Section L: Training and incorporated into Section J: MIS and Section M: Staff Qualifications & Requirements
Section A: Organized Delivery System	Removed Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removed section “General Practice Guidelines” [A.8-A.12]
Section B: Providing DMC Services	Added Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added section “Prevention Services & Specialty Populations” [B.10-B.20]
Section C: BH-CONNECT	Added and Removed Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added language for BH-CONNECT [C.1-C.2] • Removed section “Prevention Services & Specialty Populations”
Section D: Practice Guidelines	Added and Removed Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added language for Perinatal Screening [D.2] • Added Perinatal Screening criteria [D.5] • Removed duplicative language for Provisional Diagnosis [D.6] • Added Documentation and Co-signature requirements [D.9] • Added section “Discharge for Perinatal” [D.12] • Added link for BHIN 25-008 [D.18]
Section E: Access to Service	N/A	
Section F: Compliance/Confidentiality	Added Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added DHCS reporting requirements for Code of Conduct violations by registered or certified AOD Counselors [F.2]
Section G: Beneficiary Rights	Added and Removed Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added language for the ASCMI Form as the grievance process facilitated via member signing this form. Grants permission for advocacy agencies to access needed information in the member’s chart which can reduce coordination time in the event that the member files a grievance during his/her time in treatment [G.3] • Added section “Transgender, Gender Diverse or Intersex Grievances” to align with BHIN 25-019 [G.3-G.4]

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removed outdated language "The BHS SUD QA will submit a report to DHCS within two business days from completion of the grievance investigation with outcome" [G.4] Added section "Requests for Materials in Alternative Formats" [G.14]
Section H: Cultural Competence	N/A	
Section I: Quality Assurance	N/A	
Section J: Management Information Systems (MIS)	Added Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added section "EHR Trainings" [J.2-J.3]
Section K: Data Requirements	N/A	
Section L: Behavioral Health Services Act	Added and Removed Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added language for Behavioral Health Services Act effective July 1, 2026 [L.1-L.2] Removed section "Training"
Section M: Staff Qualifications & Requirements	Added and Updated Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated section "Credentialing Requirements" to align with MH OPOH [M.1] Added section "Contract Required Trainings" [M.18-M.19]
Section N: Facility Licensing, Certification, & Other Requirements	Added and Updated Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated language for revoked and suspended licenses in section "Licensing" [N.2] Updated link to BHIN 25-003 in section "Reviewing Certification" [N.2] Updated reference Section: C to Section: B [N.3] Added links to BHIN 22-002 and BHIN 23-007 in section "Promotional Materials and Advertising Requirements" [N.11]
Section O: Provider Contracting	N/A	
Section P: Funding Source Requirements	N/A	
Section Q: Quick Reference	N/A	
Appendix	N/A	

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All Sections	N/A	