

# **Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health Presents**

**The Illinois Mental Health Collaborative for Access and  
Choice Authorization Training**

***January 14, 2008***

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# Introductions

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# Presentation Online

Today's presentation will be available online

[http://www.IllinoisMentalHealthCollaborative.com/providers/Training/Training\\_Workshops\\_Archives.htm](http://www.IllinoisMentalHealthCollaborative.com/providers/Training/Training_Workshops_Archives.htm)

Be sure to share this information with your staff!

# The Collaborative Clinical Staff

- The following clinical staff will support the Collaborative:
  - The Medical Director will:
    - Provide oversight for all clinical functions
    - Assure that physician advisors support providers in the review process
    - Be available for consultation
    - Be licensed in Illinois

# Collaborative Clinical Staff (cont.)

- The Clinical Director will:
  - Ensure that clinical staff are knowledgeable about the DMH service taxonomy and associated rules/regulations
  - Provide oversight and monitoring of the day to day operations
  - Respond to issues/concerns promptly
  - Ensure excellent customer service
  - Be licensed in Illinois

# Collaborative Clinical Staff (cont.)

- The Care Manager will:
  - Work with providers to inform them about the authorization standards and processes
  - Authorize services to ensure that they are appropriate to client's needs
  - Engage with providers in clinical dialogue focused on developing a plan to best meet the consumer's needs
  - Work collaboratively to identify alternative or additional services as needed
  - Submit service request for review by the physician advisor if alternative suggestions are not agreed upon
  - Be licensed in Illinois

# Overview of Clinical Management

- The following are key elements of clinical management that are central to determining the appropriateness of care:
  - Consumer goals clearly stated in the treatment plan
  - Evidence-based practice or best practice components
  - Expected timeframes based on clinical need not calendar based - Medically necessary
  - Concurrent reviews timely
  - Continuity of care evident



# Authorization in a nutshell

- Who – any individual receiving CST or ACT
- When – Authorization for services is required after 1/30/08
- What – Authorization request form with a treatment plan and a crisis plan (3 documents)
- How – Submit documents by fax, electronically through ProviderConnect, or by phone

# What Needs to be authorized?

- New ACT and CST admissions after 1/30/08
- Reauthorization requests after 1/30/08

# How do I submit an Authorization?

Provider contacts the Collaborative for Requests

- [www.IllinoisMentalHealthCollaborative.com](http://www.IllinoisMentalHealthCollaborative.com)
- Telephone 866-359-7953 - open in January 2008
- Fax – 1-800-839-6276

# What do I send to request an authorization?

## Information Required

- The Request form
  - includes the LOCUS scores for adults
- Treatment plan with measurable goals
- Crisis plan (consumer driven)

# The Request Form

- There are two forms
  - ACT
  - CST
- Indicate on the Form the type of request
  - Initial
  - Reauthorization

## The Request Form (continued)

- The forms have been developed to summarize the clinical need for the requested service.
- The forms should represent the most current clinical presentation that is documented in the clinical record.

# The Request Form includes:

The request for authorization form also includes an attestation that:

- The information on the form is a recommendation of medical necessity by an LPHA
- It is based on an assessment
- In the case of ACT it is based on a comprehensive assessment completed by the ACT team
- The assessment is part of the consumer's clinical record

# Request Form ACT

## Request for Authorization of Assertive Community Treatment Services (ACT) ☐ Initial Request or ☐ Reauthorization Request

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Referred: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
RIN # \_\_\_\_\_

Male: ☐ Female: ☐

### I. Service Definition Criteria (Please check all that apply)

☐ Multiple and frequent psychiatric inpatient admissions;

**Acute Inpatient Episodes in the prior 12 months:**

Facility: _____	Dates of Service _____
Facility: _____	Dates of Service _____
Facility: _____	Dates of Service _____
Facility: _____	Dates of Service _____

☐ Excessive use of crisis/emergency services with failed linkages;

☐ Chronic homelessness;

☐ Recent arrests and incarcerations;



# Request Form CST

## Request for Authorization of Adult Community Support Team Services (CST)

☐ Initial Request or ☐ Reauthorization Request

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Referred: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
RIN # \_\_\_\_\_

Male: ☐ Female: ☐

### I. Service Definition Criteria (Please check all that apply)

- ☐ Multiple and frequent psychiatric inpatient admissions;
- ☐ Excessive use of crisis or emergency services with failed linkages;
- ☐ Chronic homelessness;
- ☐ Repeat arrests and incarcerations;
- ☐ History of inadequate follow-through with elements of an ITP related to risk factors, including lack of follow through taking medications, following a crisis plan, or achieving stable housing.
- ☐ High use of detoxification services (e.g., two (2) or more episodes per year)
- ☐ Clinical evidence of suicidal ideation or behavior in last three (3) months.

# Identifying information

## Request for Authorization of Assertive Community Treatment Services (ACT) ☐ Initial Request or ☐ Reauthorization Request

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Referred: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_ RIN # \_\_\_\_\_

Male: ☐ Female: ☐

### I. Service Definition Criteria (Please check all that apply)

☐ Multiple and frequent psychiatric inpatient admissions;

#### Acute Inpatient Episodes in the prior 12 months:

Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Service \_\_\_\_\_

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Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Service \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Excessive use of crisis/emergency services with failed linkages;

☐ Chronic homelessness;

☐ Recent arrests and incarcerations;

# Criteria

## I. Service Definition Criteria (Please check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple and frequent psychiatric inpatient admissions; <b>Acute Inpatient Episodes in the prior 12 months:</b>  Facility: _____ Dates of Service _____  Facility: _____ Dates of Service _____  Facility: _____ Dates of Service _____  Facility: _____ Dates of Service _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Excessive use of crisis/emergency services with failed linkages;	
<input type="checkbox"/> Chronic homelessness;	
<input type="checkbox"/> Repeat arrests and incarcerations;	
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual has multiple service needs requiring intensive assertive efforts to ensure coordination among systems, services and providers;	
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual exhibits functional deficits in maintaining treatment continuity, self-management of prescription medication, or independent community living skills; or	
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual has persistent/severe psychiatric symptoms, serious behavioral difficulties, a co-occurring disorder, and/or a high relapse rate.	

# Diagnosis

- ☐ Individual exhibits functional deficits in maintaining treatment continuity, self-management of prescription medication, or independent community living skills; or
- ☐ Individual has persistent/severe psychiatric symptoms, serious behavioral difficulties, a co-occurring disorder, and/or a high relapse rate.

## II. DIAGNOSIS

DSM Diagnosis <i>All 5 Axes must be completed</i>	Diagnosis (Code)	Rank (Please rank diagnoses in Axes 1-3 in order of primacy)
Axis I		
Axis II		
Axis III		
Axis IV		
Axis V - Global Assessment of Functioning (GAF)	Highest Last Year:	Current:

## III. FUNCTIONAL IMPAIRMENT (Fill out all domains from the LOCUS tool)

Domain Scores: Risk of Harm:  Recovery Environment – Environmental Stressors:

Recovery Environment – Environmental Support:  Functional Status:

Co-morbidity:  Recovery and Treatment History:  Acceptance and Engagement:

# LOCUS

<b>III. FUNCTIONAL IMPAIRMENT</b> (Fill out all domains from the LOCUS tool)	
Domain Scores: Risk of Harm: <input type="text"/>	Recovery Environment – Environmental Stressors: <input type="text"/>
Recovery Environment – Environmental Support: <input type="text"/>	Functional Status: <input type="text"/>
Co-morbidity: <input type="text"/>	Recovery and Treatment History: <input type="text"/> Acceptance and Engagement: <input type="text"/>

Agency: _____	Name of Referred: _____
Date of Birth: _____	RIN # _____
<b>LOCUS RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF CARE:</b> <b>Composite Score:</b> <input type="text"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Level I <input type="checkbox"/> Level II <input type="checkbox"/> Level III <input type="checkbox"/> Level IV <input type="checkbox"/> Level V <input type="checkbox"/> Level VI	
<b>ASSESSOR RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF CARE (according with services crosswalk)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Level I <input type="checkbox"/> Level II <input type="checkbox"/> Level III <input type="checkbox"/> Level IV <input type="checkbox"/> Level V <input type="checkbox"/> Level VI	
<b>Reason for deviation (if Applicable)</b> Explain: _____	

**Please note that incomplete forms will be returned**

## Request for Authorization of Adult Community Support Team Services (CST)

☐ Initial Request or ☐ Reauthorization Request

Agency: _____	Name of Referred: _____
Agency Location: _____	Date of Birth: _____
Agency FEIN: _____	RIN # _____
Male: <input type="checkbox"/> Female: <input type="checkbox"/>	

### I. Service Definition Criteria (Please check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple and frequent psychiatric inpatient admissions;
<input type="checkbox"/> Excessive use of crisis or emergency services with failed linkages;
<input type="checkbox"/> Chronic homelessness;
<input type="checkbox"/> Repeat arrests and incarcerations;
<input type="checkbox"/> History of inadequate follow-through with elements of an ITP related to risk factors, including lack of follow through taking medications, following a crisis plan, or achieving stable housing.
<input type="checkbox"/> High use of detoxification services (e.g., two (2) or more episodes per year.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Clinical evidence of suicidal ideation or behavior in last three (3) months.
<input type="checkbox"/> Ongoing inappropriate public behavior within the last three months such as public intoxication, indecency, disturbing the peace.
<input type="checkbox"/> Self harm or threats of harm to others within the last three (3) months.
<input type="checkbox"/> Medication resistance due to : intolerable side effects or illness-mediated interference with consistent self-management of medications

### II. DIAGNOSIS

DSM Diagnosis	Diagnosis (Code)	Rank (Please rank diagnoses in Axes 1-3 in order of primacy)
<i>All 5 Axes must be completed</i>		

Agency: _____	Name of Referred: _____
Date of Birth: _____	RIN # _____
<b>LOCUS RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF CARE:</b> <b>Composite Score:</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 0 20px;"> </span>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Level I <input type="checkbox"/> Level II <input type="checkbox"/> Level III <input type="checkbox"/> Level IV <input type="checkbox"/> Level V <input type="checkbox"/> Level VI	
<b>ASSESSOR RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF CARE (according with services crosswalk)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Level I <input type="checkbox"/> Level II <input type="checkbox"/> Level III <input type="checkbox"/> Level IV <input type="checkbox"/> Level V <input type="checkbox"/> Level VI	
<b>Reason for deviation (if applicable)</b> Explain: _____	
<b>Other Rule 132 Services on treatment plan:</b> Service: _____ Provided by: _____ Service: _____ Provided by: _____	
Clinical staff to contact with any questions (print) _____ <hr style="border: 1px solid red;"/> Phone: ( _____ ) _____ Fax Number: ( _____ ) _____ Encrypted email address: _____	
<b>Please attach the following to this request form:</b> The current treatment plan <input type="checkbox"/> The consumer's crisis plan <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>TRANSITION PLAN (NARRATIVE)</b> <i><b>This section is to be used when CST authorization is requested as part of a transition plan.</b></i> (Please write legibly.) Please describe the clinical need for the transition to less intensive services or more intensive services (such as ACT)	



# The Treatment Plan

## TREATMENT PLAN REQUIREMENTS

- A person's individual treatment plan (ITP) is required to be submitted as a part of the authorization process
- The treatment plan submitted to the Collaborative as a part of the treatment request should comply with Rule 132, and be driven by the documented assessment.

# The Crisis Plan

- The crisis plan is a dynamic process and not a static experience.
- A person's initial crisis plan may only have one item such as:
  - “this is how I know when I need help” or
  - “this is who to call when I need help”.

# Crisis Plan

- An effective tool in engagement, and
- Sets the stage for consumer choice and recovery focus
- When consumer engagement is an issue, the crisis plan can be used as an effective tool for dialogue between the clinician and the consumer.

# Crisis Plan Elements

The basic elements of the Crisis plan can include:

- What I am like when I am not feeling well:
- Signs that I need help from others:
- Who to call when I need help (My support team):
- Who to not call when I need help:
- My medications are:
- I take medication to:
- My doctor or provider is:
- This is what usually works when I need help:
- Please make sure someone on my support team takes care of:

# Sample Crisis Plans

Resources for Crisis Plan development are extensively available on the internet such as:  
<http://www.mentalhealthrecovery.com>.

# Elements of the Authorization Request

- Request form
- Treatment plan
- Crisis Plan

*On page two of the request form you are reminded:*

<p><b>Please attach the following to this request form:</b></p> <p>The current treatment plan <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The consumer's crisis plan <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p><b>TRANSITION PLAN (NARRATIVE)</b></p> <p><i>This section is to be used when CST authorization is requested as part of a transition plan. (Please write legibly.)</i></p> <p><small>Please describe the clinical need for the Authorization to treat individuals outside of current treatment services / practice &amp; CST.</small></p>	

# Collaborative Review Process

- The provider submits a request for authorization via one of three ways as indicated earlier in this presentation.
- The Collaborative Clinical Care Manager will:
  - Verify provider's participation status (e.g. contract with DHS/DMH, certified to provide service)
  - Verify consumer's information is available to the Collaborative.

## When do I hear back from the Collaborative?

- The Collaborative will respond to requests for authorizations within:
  - One business day of receipt of a completed authorization initial request excluding holidays and weekends
  - Three business days for a completed concurrent request, excluding holidays and weekends



# Collaborative Review Process

- Review request for authorization information for completeness (documents required based on request type)
  - If medical necessity is established, request is authorized and communicated to provider via e-mail.
  - If medical necessity is not established, the Clinical Care Manager contacts provider to seek clarification and offer education/consultation regarding authorization criteria

# Clinical Appeals

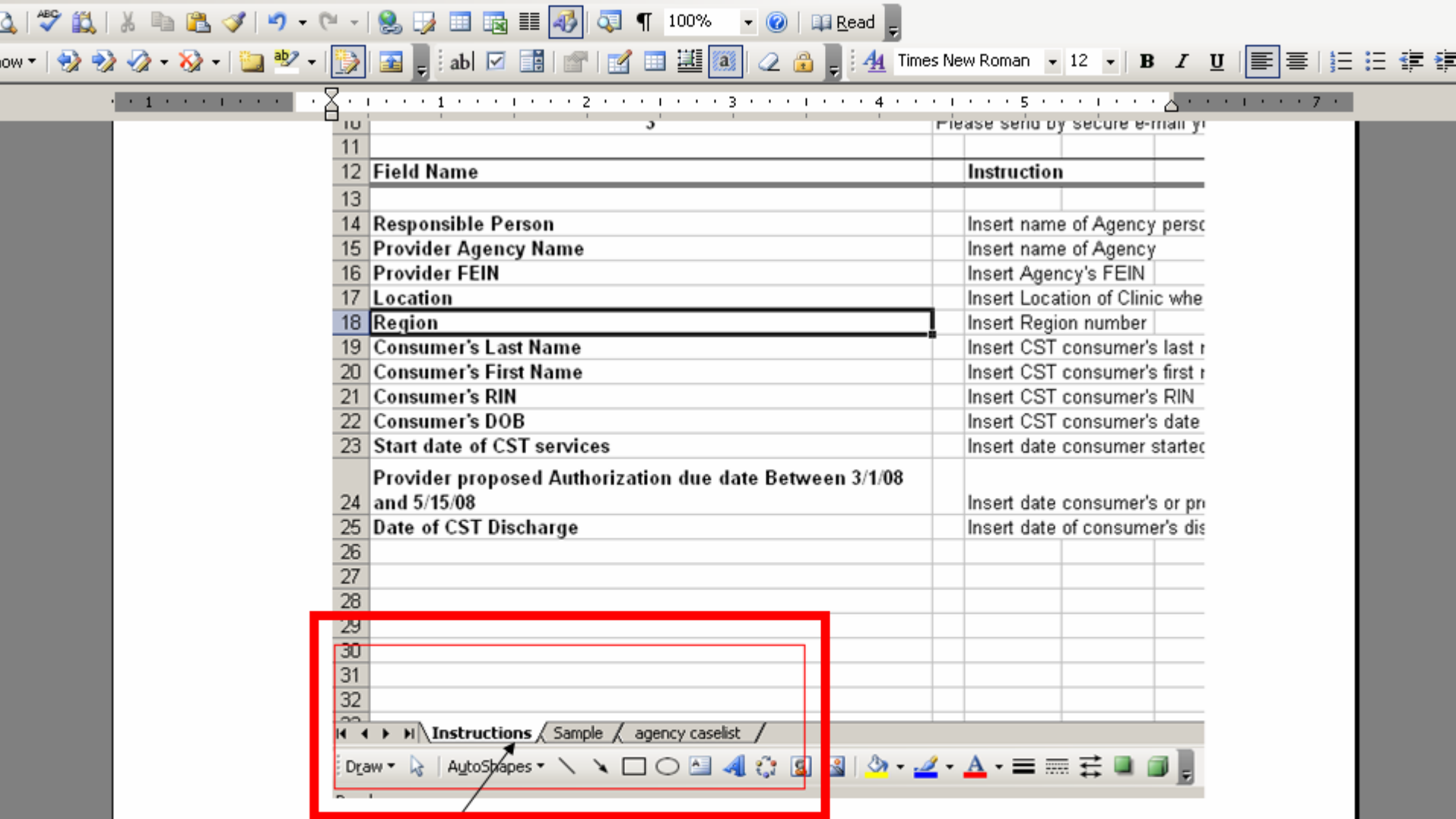
- Prior to a denial, the Collaborative staff will support consumers and providers by offering alternative services that can meet the person's needs in the least restrictive setting
- Appeals can be requested by a consumer or by a provider on behalf of a consumer by calling the Collaborative's toll-free number
- Appeal request must be received within 60 days of receipt of the denial
- Two levels of appeals:
  - Internal Physician Advisor (PA)
    - not the same PA who issued the denial
    - not a subordinate of the original PA who issued the denial
    - Board certified and licensed in Illinois
  - External review by an independent reviewer
- Third Level of appeal to DHS/DMH per established procedures

## What about people who are receiving CST before 1/31/08?

- The plan is detailed in the document named “Plan for Prior Auths or Services”
- Agencies will submit a complete case list of the people receiving CST prior to 1/31/08
- The agency will pick the reauthorization date for services (between 3/1/08 and 5/15/08) and evenly distribute the caseload

## Current Services continued:

- This plan is very similar to the process which is currently underway with ACT services
- Remember to spread your work out over the entire period according to the plan



To open an Excel worksheet, place the mouse cursor on one of the tabs and left click on one of the tabs. The agency is required to complete the "agency caselist" worksheet and list each consumer who is receiving CST services and was receiving them prior to 1/31/08.

In this example the agency only has 3 consumers who are receiving CST and they have evenly distributed the cases for review.

# Submission Methods

- Via secure fax to 1-800-839-6276
- Submit as an inquiry online at:  
[www.IllinoisMentalHealthCollaborative.com](http://www.IllinoisMentalHealthCollaborative.com)

Issues or concerns can also be discussed on the phone with a care manager, just call  
1-866-359-7953

# ProviderConnect - Online

## What is ProviderConnect?

ProviderConnect is an online tool where providers can:

- View authorizations
- View and print authorization letters
- Submit inquiries to customer service
- Submit updates to provider demographic information
- Access and print forms
- Available 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter FY08

### **Coming Soon – July 2008:**

- Verify consumer eligibility
- View the details and status of claims
- Submit single and batch claims
- Consumer registration



# ProviderConnect

## What are the benefits of ProviderConnect?

- Easily access routine information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Use the same web address:  
[www.IllinoisMentalHealthCollaborative.com](http://www.IllinoisMentalHealthCollaborative.com)
- Complete multiple transactions in a single sitting
- View and print information
- Reduce calls for routine information

# How to Access ProviderConnect

- All Providers will be able to obtain one online registration per provider ID number via the Web site
- To obtain additional logons for ProviderConnect – contact the ValueOptions® EDI Helpdesk at 888-247-9311 and press option 3, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. EST
- Available after Provider Data Collection Process – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY08

# Log In to ProviderConnect



- Home
- EDI Homepage
- Specific Member Search
- Authorization Listing
- Enter an Authorization
- Claim Listing and Submission
- My Online Profile
- View Practice Profile
- Provider Data Sheet
- Compliance
- Handbooks
- Forms
- Network Specific Information
- Education Center
- Contact Us

## Please Log In

Required fields are denoted by an asterisk ( \* ) adjacent to the label.

Please log in by entering your User ID and password below.

\*User ID

If you do not remember your User ID, please contact our e-Support Help Line.

\*Password

[Forgot Your Password?](#)

Log In

The information and resources provided through the ValueOptions site are provided for informational purposes only. Behavioral health providers utilizing the ValueOptions site ("Providers") are solely responsible for determining the appropriateness and manner of utilizing ValueOptions information and resources in providing services to their patients. No information or resource provided through the ValueOptions site is intended to substitute for the professional judgment of a behavioral health professional. Providers are solely responsible for determining whether use of a resource provided through ValueOptions is consistent with their scope of licensure under applicable laws and ethical standards.

## New User?

Please register for access.

Register

# ProviderConnect Welcome Page

Home  
EDI Homepage  
Specific Member Search  
Authorization Listing  
Enter an Authorization Request  
Claim Listing and Submission  
My Online Profile  
My Practice Information  
Provider Data Sheet  
Compliance  
Handbooks  
Forms  
Network Specific Information  
Education Center  
Contact Us

[ValueOptions Home](#)
[Provider Home](#)
[Contact Us](#)
[Log Out](#)

Welcome JONES , . Thank you for using ValueOptions ProviderConnect.

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TODAY?

- Specific Member Search (eligibility, benefits, claims, authorizations)
- Review Claims
- Enter a Claim
- Review an Authorization
- Enter an Authorization Request

NEWS & ALERTS

No News/Alerts at this time.

YOUR MESSAGE CENTER

INBOX

SENT

Recent Inquires Responded to by ValueOptions

Date Received	Subject	Member Name	Status
02-01-07	<a href="#">AUTHORIZATION STATUS</a>	LAURA	IN PROCESS
02-01-07	<a href="#">AUTHORIZATION STATUS</a>	LAURA	IN PROCESS
02-01-07	<a href="#">AUTHORIZATION STATUS</a>	LAURA	IN PROCESS
02-01-07	<a href="#">AUTHORIZATION STATUS</a>	LAURA	IN PROCESS
02-01-07	<a href="#">AUTHORIZATION STATUS</a>	LAURA	IN PROCESS

ValueOptions is continually striving to increase the ease in which you can interact with us by developing online communications solutions. Using ProviderConnect allows you to accomplish an array of daily transactions through a secure, password-protected portal. By using ProviderConnect, you agree to abide by all privacy, HIPAA, and other governing laws.

# Eligibility



Home

EDI Homepage

Specific Member  
Search

Authorization Listing

Enter an  
Authorization

Claim Listing and  
Submission

My Online Profile

My Practice  
Information

Provider Data Sheet

Compliance

Handbooks

## Eligibility & Benefits Search

Required fields are denoted by an asterisk ( \* ) adjacent to the label.

Verify a patient's eligibility and benefits information by entering search criteria below.

*Member ID	<input type="text" value="987654321"/>	(No spaces or dashes)
Last Name	<input type="text"/>	
First Name	<input type="text"/>	
*Date of Birth	<input type="text" value="12021979"/>	(MMDDYYYY)
As of Date	<input type="text" value="08112005"/>	(MMDDYYYY)
	<input type="button" value="Search"/>	

# Consumer Demographics

Demographics

Enrollment History

COB

Benefits

Member eligibility does not guarantee payment. Eligibility is as of today's date and is provided by our clients.

## Member

Member ID **123456789**  
 Alternate ID **123456789**  
 Member Name **J. Doe**  
 Date of Birth **07/05/1936**  
 Address **818  
ROAD  
LAGRANGE,**  
 Alternate Address  
 Marital Status **-**  
 Home Phone  
 Work Phone  
 Relationship **1**  
 Gender **M - Male**

## Eligibility

Effective Date **01/01/2002**  
 Expiration Date  
 COB Effective Date **?**

## Subscriber

Subscriber ID **123456789**  
 Subscriber Name **J. Doe**

Submit an Inquiry to send in auth forms as an attachment

View Member Auths

View Member Claims

View Expire Claims

View GHI-BMP Claims

Enter Auth Request

Enter Claim

Send Inquiry

# Summary

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# Questions?





# Thank you!

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