



*An Announcement from the  
Massachusetts Department of Mental Health*



**DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH  
NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS  
AND PUBLIC HEARING**

The Department of Mental Health's public hearing and comment period on amendments to the following regulations will be published in the Massachusetts Register on May 13, 2022:

The proposed regulations are posted on the DMH website and can be viewed at:  
<https://www.mass.gov/service-details/dmh-proposed-regulations>.

**[104 CMR 28.00 Licensing and Operational Standards for Community Services](#)**

The proposed amendment inserts a new Subpart C which sets for licensing requirements for a new level of care, Community Crisis Stabilization (CCS), that has been developed by DMH and MassHealth. CCS is part of the restructured 24/7 community-based crisis intervention services that is an integral component of the Community Behavioral Health Center (CBHC) Programs currently being procured to benefit MassHealth members. CBHCs will serve as hubs of coordinated and integrated mental health and substance use disorder treatment for MassHealth members of all ages and will provide routine and urgent outpatient services, crisis services for adults and youth, and community crisis stabilization services for adults and youth. The proposed amendments also update provisions for prevention of restraint, increased attention to needs of a diverse population of persons served and several technical amendments.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD**

A virtual Public Hearing will be conducted by the Department on Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Comment Period ends on June 14, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

The [Notice of Public Hearing](#) includes a link and instructions for attending the virtual Public Hearing.

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