



Provider communication

General information and system updates

July 2, 2024

Bridging the Gap for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and Behavioral Health Needs

Applicable to: Mercy Care DD

The Division of Developmental Disabilities, in collaboration with its sub-contracted health plans UnitedHealthcare Community Plan and Mercy Care, is offering a conference for behavioral health providers who are part of their networks. The conference topics will focus on best practices for working with individuals who have both a developmental disability and a behavioral health diagnosis. The goal of this conference is to enhance provider competency, offer opportunities for professional development, improve member outcomes, and bridge gaps in knowledge for the professionals who serve individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.

Thursday, September 5 and Friday, September 6, 2024

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- **Where:** Desert Willow Conference Center, 4340 E. Cotton Center Blvd., Phoenix, AZ
- **Target Audience:**
 - Physical health and behavioral health professionals who are part of the Mercy Care and/or UnitedHealthcare Community Plan network including:
 - Physicians
 - Physician assistants
 - Nurses
 - Counselors
 - Case managers
 - Peer & family support specialists
 - Behavior coaches, and
 - Others who offer services to Division members
 - Attendees can earn 5 CEUs per day (APA, NBCC). Presentation information is pending review for CME Credit and updates will be provided as information is available.

Saturday, September 7, 2024

Bridging the Gap - ABA, Dual Diagnosis and Adult Services

- **Where:** Desert Willow Conference Center, 4340 E. Cotton Center Blvd., Phoenix, AZ
- **Target Audience:**

- Behavior Analytic professionals (BCBAs, BCaBAs, RBTs, etc.) who are part of the Mercy Care and/or UnitedHealthcare Community plan network.
- Attendees can earn 6.25 BCBA CEUs, including 2.5 Ethics CEUs.

Additional information about the conference including the two-day agenda and registration is available on the [Division's website](#)

Sessions that have been approved for Continuing Education credit are indicated on the agenda. Sessions that do not display continuing education accreditations are being evaluated by the administrators. The agenda will be updated as additional reviews are completed.

There is no cost to attend, and behavioral health professionals interested in attending should complete their registration before **August 9, 2024**, as attendee space is limited.

Attendees with questions can submit them to the [Behavioral Health Training inbox](#) at: dddhbtraining@azdes.gov

As always, don't hesitate to contact your [Mercy Care Network Management Representative](#) with any questions or comments. You can find this [Notice](#) and all other provider notices on our Mercy Care website.

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