

## Behavioral Health and Intellectual/Developmental Disability Tailored Plan

## Tailored Care Management Certification AMH+ and CMA Application Historically Underutilized Provider Optional Supplement

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (the Department) is committed to advancing health equity<sup>1</sup> across all of its programs, including Tailored Care Management. Recognizing that many factors impact health, COVID-19 has highlighted long-standing structural inequities in the healthcare system that disproportionately affect historically marginalized populations<sup>2</sup> and historically underutilized providers (HUPs). The Department defines HUPs as provider organizations owned/controlled and managed by at 51 percent racial/ethnic minorities, women, people with disabilities, people who are LGBT, and/or otherwise socially and economically disadvantaged as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 637.

As a result, the Department has developed this optional supplement to the Tailored Care Management Certification Application to give organizations the opportunity to self-identify as a HUP, if applicable. This information will be used to advance health equity through the Tailored Care Management program by, for example, informing capacity building fund distribution as described in the Behavioral Health I/DD Tailored Plan Capacity Building Update located on the Tailored Care Management webpage, and giving the Department the information necessary to ensure that the certification process is conducted in an equitable manner. Similar to how providers' identifying information will be redacted during the desk review process, this information will be blinded during the desk review of the application and will not impact an AMH+ or CMA certification decision. supp

If your organization desires to self-identify as a HUP, please complete the form below and submit it to Medicaid.TailoredCareMgmt@dhhs.nc.gov with your application for AMH+ and CMA certification.

S1. Organization Name.
S2. Is your organization a historically underutilized provider, as defined above?
□Yes
□No
□Unknown

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Health equity means that everyone has a fair and just opportunity to attain their optimal health.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Historically marginalized populations are individuals, groups, and communities that have historically and systematically been denied access to services, resources and power relationships across economic, political, and cultural dimensions as a result of systemic, durable, and persistent racism, discrimination and other forms of oppression. Long standing and well documented structural marginalization has resulted in poor health outcomes, economic disadvantage, and increased vulnerability to harm and adverse social, political and economic outcomes. Historically marginalized populations are often identified based on their race, ethnicity, social economic status, geography, religion, language, sexual identity and disability status.

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S3. Is there any additional information your organization would like to provide related to equity considerations for providers and members in the Tailored Care Management model?