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Dear Out-of-Home (OOH) Service Providers:

The Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division’s (CAMHD) Clinical Services Office (CSO) is amending the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Performance Standards (CAMHPS) guidelines for youth Tuberculosis (TB) testing and Physical Examinations.

The CAMHPS guidelines require a TB test report and physical examination report as part of the OOH referral packet. The following five (5) points address revisions to the CAMHPS guidelines:

1) TB and Physical Examination reports are not required as part of the referral packet at the time of referral.
2) Record of a Physical Examination must be provided to the OOH provider prior to the day of admission.
3) Record of a TB skin test result is required prior to the day of admission. A positive TB test result must be accompanied by written medical clearance from the treating physician indicating the youth is safe to participate in OOH treatment.
4) TB and Physical Examination reports are accepted as valid records if the tests have been administered within the past twelve (12) months. Extraneous circumstances that may warrant an additional physical examination and/or TB test shall be reviewed by the CAMHD Medical Director on a case-by-case basis.
5) Any questions or concerns about TB and Physical Examination procedures are to be directed to the CAMHD Medical Director, or designee, at (808) 733-9347.

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to working with CAMHD youth.

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