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**TO:** BHI Stakeholders for SSB5779

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**Subject:** **Substitute Senate Bill 5779 – Matrix Phase 2**

Thank you for your participation in the second phase of implementing SSB 5779 related to behavioral health integration. Overall, the aim of this project is to:

- Identify reimbursement limitations currently in Provider One and confirm the definition of the codes in Current Procedural Terminology (CPT)
- Identify possible barriers to use in both Primary Care and Behavioral Health settings
- Develop a matrix that is useful for providers to understand the codes, and reimbursement limitations and requirements
- Accomplish this with stakeholder participation and input

As you know, the second phase primarily focused on behavioral health activities and included codes identified by stakeholders.

Following the initial stakeholdering process, we reviewed all comments received. Comments that we can address now are incorporated in the attached matrix. Comments that cannot be addressed at this point are recorded and saved for future phases of this project.

Next Steps:

- Complete review and summarize in matrix (Phase 3) the following agreed upon services and codes:
  - Collaborative Care Codes
    - G0502
    - G0503
    - G0504
    - G0507

- Develop policy for implementation of the collaborative care codes and include in matrix (Phase 3)
- Complete fiscal model to determine projected costs of recommended payment changes
- Submit decision package for consideration as part of next year's supplement budget
- Write policy and coordinate with managed care plans and fully integrated regions for implementation
- Communicate to the Governor and relevant committees of the legislature the steps taken and results that are achieved

Thank you again for your continued participation. Given the size and duration of the project, we have created a dedicated email box for comments: [HCABHIMatrices@hca.wa.gov](mailto:HCABHIMatrices@hca.wa.gov) which will be monitored. Please also feel free to contact Rebecca (Becky) Peters by email at [Rebecca.peters@hca.wa.gov](mailto:Rebecca.peters@hca.wa.gov) or call 360-725-1194.