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TO: All SBHS Providers

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SUBJECT: Clarification Regarding Medically Qualified Staff to be Included in 2006 SBHS Cost Calculations

In reviewing the 2006 SBHS costs, it has come to my attention that staff responsible for calculating and submitting the costs may be unaware of licensure requirements of Medically Qualified Staff (MQS) who may be included in the cost setting. Only MQS identified in SBHS rule 410-133-0120 may be included in the costs per discipline under section 1A of the cost calculation worksheet provided by DHS. Please ensure staff who complete SBHS costs are informed of who may be included in the cost setting.

NOTE: Please pay special attention to the area of Psychology, as I have identified inclusion of Teachers Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) licensed staff in this area. TSPC licensure does not fall within the criteria of Medically Qualified Staff and therefore, services provided by staff that are TSPC licensed only are not covered by Medicaid.

Testing Technicians supervised by Psychologists licensed by the Oregon Board of Psychologist Examiners may be included under the discipline cost for Psychologists. (Please see attached guidelines for supervising Testing Technicians from the Board of Psychologist Examiners, Division 10, Procedural Rules 858-010-0002.)

Costs for Transportation Attendants must be included in the cost setting of transportation and are not to be included in the cost of Delegated Health Care (DHC). Cost for staff providing DHC tasks during transportation must be included in the cost for DHC.

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