



Consumer Council System of Maine

A Voice for Consumers of Mental Health Services

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CCSM Survey for information on Gaps or Issues in Medication Management

Medication management is the term used for the service that MaineCare members use to get psychiatric services for the purposes of medications. This would include a psychiatrist, a psychiatric physician's assistant, or a psychiatric nurse practitioner who prescribes your mental health medications. There is a different process if you get these types of medications through your primary care office.

The State is proposing a drastic rate decrease for which they pay for these services. Actually in some cases it would be a 56% decrease.

- 1) Do you have medication management through MaineCare?
- 2) Have you ever been turned down for medication management services?
 - A. If so, what was the reason given as to why you were turned down?
- 3) If you currently receive medication management services will your Primary Care Physician or Nurse Practitioner prescribe your psychiatric medications for you when needed?
- 4) How far do you have to travel to obtain medication management services? Is transportation an issue for you? If rate reduction takes place will your provider continue your medication management?
- 5) Has your psychiatrist/provider told you that your services will be discontinued if the rate reduction takes place?

Please feel free to use this space and the back of the page if you would like to share your comments, concerns or your experience with using medication management services.