

## **FY 24 Contracting Meetings with Sub-vendors**

### **Questions & Answers**

**Question:** There was a bill passed during the 2023 Maryland General Assembly Legislative Session that will increase Medicaid reimbursement rates for community-based behavioral health services. How will this bill impact BHSB's FY 24 contracting?

**Answer:** This bill has no implications for BHSB's FY 24 contracting. Medicaid is not a funding source for contracts between BHSB and its sub-vendors and consultants. Medicaid billing is handled by Maryland's Administrative Service Organization (ASO). Information about Medicaid billing is generally shared through BHSB's provider meetings and email communications.

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**Question:** BHSB's Letter of Award (LOA) instructs sub-vendors and consultants to complete specified tasks by a deadline. It is forwarded as an attachment to an email, along with other files that need to be completed. Could the due date for the specified tasks be noted in the body of the email, in addition to the LOA attachment?

**Answer:** It is very important for sub-vendors and consultants to carefully read the LOA upon receipt, as it will communicate any changes and issues for the current year award. Going forward, BHSB will add "time sensitive" in the subject line and mark emails that contain LOAs as high priority.