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CMS approval of Act 582 requirements

The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) has received approval from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for Medicaid revisions made as a result of Act 582. Act 582 specifically affects behavioral health services providers who provide community psychiatric support and treatment services or psychosocial rehabilitation services to Medicaid recipients.

What are the requirements of Act 582?

The following Act 582 requirements outlined in the *[LDH Informational Bulletin 18-14](#)* have received CMS approval and are effective immediately:

- Preliminary accreditation
- Staff qualifications
- Provider agencies
- Individual staff

Updates to the *[Louisiana Medicaid Behavioral Health Services Provider Manual](#)* have been published to <https://www.lamedicaid.com> to align with Act 582.

What if I need assistance?

If you have questions about this communication or need assistance with any other item, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services at **1-844-521-6942**.

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