

**Beacon Comprehensive Behavioral Health Management
Policy and Procedure Manual**

Policy Name: Treatment Termination	Patient Rights and Responsibilities
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Purpose: To ensure Beacon Comprehensive Behavioral Health Management (Beacon CBHM) providers follow appropriate guidelines when terminating treatment. Also reference Policy *Transition of Care*, UM-7.

Policy:

1.0 Termination Indicators

- 1.1 When provider and patient agree treatment is complete
- 1.2 When patient has made significant improvement
- 1.3 When a patient is uncooperative or non-compliant with recommended treatment and further intervention with provider is unlikely to effect change
- 1.4 When a patient's diagnoses and treatment is outside of the provider's expertise and/or scope of practice.
- 1.5 When a patient no-shows for three consecutive appointments and the provider has been unable to reach patient to determine status.

2.0 Termination Guidelines

- 2.1 Providers should notify patients a minimum of two sessions in advance regarding termination and allow time for processing closure.
- 2.2 If provider does not have the expertise to treat patient's diagnosis and/or the patient requires care outside the provider's scope-of-practice, the provider should seek immediate consultation from Beacon CBHM. Arrangements will be made for:
 - 2.2.1 Second opinion referral
 - 2.2.2 Transition to another provider with required specialty
- 2.3 If providers are terminating due to patient being non-cooperative, a thorough risk assessment should be done prior to termination, and if patient at risk, s/he should be referred directly to a licensed clinician at Beacon CBHM for assistance in developing alternative treatment plans.
- 2.4 If providers are terminating due to no-shows, a written notification should be sent advising patient to re-contact Beacon CBHM for assistance with additional referrals as needed.