



**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
NOTICE TO ADOPT EMERGENCY AMENDMENTS**

The Director of the Department of Mental Health recently published a notice of its intent to adopt emergency amendments to the rules governing the provision of mental health rehabilitation/day services in the District. The amendments to Title 22A DCMR, Chapter 34, were adopted in an effort to comply with statutory and judicial mandates governing the process of transferring the Department of Mental Health back to the District. They are meant to clarify eligibility, add service requirements and to define a “unit of service.”

The amendments were adopted on September 20, 2005 and became effective on publication--October 21, 2005. The emergency rules will expire 120 days from the publication date, however, the Director intends to take final rulemaking action to adopt the proposed rules on or about November 20, 2005.

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