## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Supervisory Contract Clarifications:

When speaking of the "level of supervisory contact consistent with established professional standards and requirements of the Alabama Medicaid Agency Provider Manual Chapter 34", there do not appear to be clearly-specified amounts of time required for supervision. This information will be published with the July 2012 Provider Manual Updates. At this time (although subject to change), it is as follows:

A licensee who has less than 10 years of experience shall meet individually and in person with his or her supervising psychologist for a minimum of two hours a month; A licensee who has 10 or more years of experience shall meet individually and in person with his or her supervising psychologist for a minimum of one hour a month.

Does the Supervisory Contract need to be completed for Licensed Psychological Technicians? No. Please follow the directives as listed in Chapter 34 Section 34.1 of the Provider Manual.

When attesting to "I will review and co-sign reports and other appropriate documents (which include reports, evaluations, <u>notes from treatment sessions</u>, files and other clinical material of the licensee relevant to his or her practice)" does this mean the psychologist must sign each and every treatment note? No. The psychologist is only responsible for signing off on the items listed under the guidelines as set forth in Chapter 34 Section 34.1 of the Provider Manual.

How do I complete the Supervision Contract for a mental health professional who is not licensed? The blank where you fill out the supervisee's name under Section A clearly states, "a licensed \_\_\_\_\_\_," but a few of our providers are not licensed and operate under the "HO" modifier. How should we complete the application for these people? The Supervision Contract has been revised to address this issue, fill in the appropriate blank.