COMAR 10.63.01-10.63.06 – Community-Based Behavioral Health Programs and Services
Implementation Timeline

Key Dates
- All accreditation-based programs must have accreditation from a Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) approved accreditation organization and submit an application for licensure by January 1, 2018
- Programs may begin submitting applications for licensure on October 1, 2016
- Licenses will be issued beginning January 1, 2017
- Existing Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration (ADAA) and Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA) community program regulations will be repealed April 1, 2018
- All programs will be required to have a license under the new BHA integrated regulations by April 1, 2018

Accredited Programs (programs that must be accredited to be licensed)

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- All programs must have a license under new BHA regulations
- Deadline to submit applications for licensure based on accreditation in order to obtain license by April 1, 2018
- Licenses under new BHA regulations will begin being issued
- Applications for licensure accepted from new and existing programs under new BHA regulations (must include evidence of accreditation)
- No applications for new approval or certification (as opposed to renewal) under existing ADAA/MHA regulations will be accepted
- ADAA and MHA regulations continue to be in effect for existing programs
- Programs approved or certified prior to October 1, 2016 may be renewed under existing ADAA/MHA regulations
- Renewals for existing programs under ADAA/MHA regulations will expire April 1, 2018
Non-Accredited Programs (these programs do not need to be accredited in order to be licensed)

- All programs must have a license under new BHA regulations
- ADAA and MHA regulations continue to be in effect for existing programs
- No applications for new approval or certification (as opposed to renewal) under existing ADAA/MHA regulations will be accepted
- Programs approved or certified prior to October 1, 2016 may be renewed under existing ADAA/MHA regulations
- Deadline to submit applications for licensure under new BHA regulations in order to receive license by April 1, 2018
- Licenses under new BHA regulations will begin being issued