

COMPLIANCE BULLETIN

Fresno County Behavioral Health

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POLICY NOTICE

❖ Policy Being Summarized
New CalMHSA SMHS Chart
Review Tool

❖ CB-047

❖ Effective date:
03/01/2026

❖ Policy created by:
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❖ This notice is intended for:

- DBH Operated MH Programs
- DBH Operated SUD Programs
- DBH Administration
- Contract MH Providers
- Contract SUD Providers
- Prescribers

In collaboration with the California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA), the DBH Plan Administration Division will be implementing a newly revised version of the *CalMHSA Specialty Mental Health Services (SMHS) Chart Review Tool* for use by all providers (in-house, organizational, and individual/group) within the Fresno County Mental Health Plan (FCMHP). The updated *CalMHSA SMHS Chart Review Tool* is reflective of the recent changes to Medi-Cal documentation standards for specialty mental health services and will be part of the ongoing compliance medical records reviews by the DBH Plan Administration utilization review teams effective March 1, 2026. Previous versions of the *CalMHSA SMHS Chart Review Tool* will no longer be utilized effective 03/01/2026.

The new CalMHSA SMHS Chart Review Tool can be found on the DBH website at [SMHS Site Certification and Medical Records Reviews - County of Fresno](#).

If you have any questions, please email DBHPlanAdmin@fresnocountyca.gov or call (559)600-4645.