

## **Addition to Current Requirements for Community Integration Prior Authorization Requests**

APS Healthcare in collaboration with DHHS Office of Adult Mental Health Services will add the following requirements to all Prior Authorization (PA) requests to Section 17 Community Integration Services effective **1/15/10**. This change is being made to allow for more effective utilization management of these services.

Prior Authorization Requirements prior to 1/15/10 to remain:

1. Diagnosis
2. LOCUS Score

Requirements to be added to Prior Authorization requests effective 1/15/10:

1. Reason for referral in Additional Information Section.
2. Identification of 1-3 mental health needs and how this service/ LOC would be beneficial in meeting those needs in Additional Information Section.
3. Complete Symptoms and Behaviors Summary Section.
4. Complete Clinical Indicators Section, with specific focus on Risk/Danger to Self/Others.
5. Specifics of LOCUS Dimension Ratings in Additional Information.
6. Projected length of stay for service in the Transition/ Discharge Section.