**To:** Mental Health System of Care Providers **Date**: **1/9/19**

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**Re:** Prospective Risk Analysis (PRA) Webinar and Implementation

In an effort to standardize comprehensive risk assessment within our System of Care, a new tool--the Prospective Risk Analysis (PRA) has been created. The need for a more comprehensive risk assessment (beyond the current High Risk Assessment) was identified by the Clinical Standards committee nearly two years ago. Subsequently, work groups have developed, piloted and refined the PRA -- with program participation every step of the way. The current tool is not so much a departure from current practice, but a valuable enhancement, which provides clinicians various “lenses” to recognize risk.

Dr. Krelstein will be conducting a webinar that will address how the PRA enhances the process of assessing for self-injury, suicide and violence. In addition, the webinar will provide guidance on how to apply interviewing skills and techniques in order to develop a clinical formulation of risk, building off Dr. Shea’s teachings (last fall) on the CASE approach.

The webinar is being offered through BHETA on **Wednesday January 23, 2019 from 10:30am-12:00pm.** Registration is through BHETA at:

<https://theacademy.sdsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/pra-webinar-flyer-2019-01-23.pdf?mc_cid=e99a4ec731&mc_eid=e5f6a5dd3b>

The implementation of the PRA within CCBH is set for **Monday February 11, 2019**. At this time the PRA will replace the current HRA in the BHA and will be completed upon admission and annually thereafter. After the completion of the webinar and before the implementation, a follow up memo will be sent with attachments for the PRA and PRA Explanation.

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