Behavioral Health Services (BHS) – Contractor Information Notice



То:	BHS Contracted Children, Youth & Families Service (CYF) Providers
From:	Behavioral Health Services
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Title	Holiday Closure Fiscal Year 2021-2022 for CYF Programs

### **Holiday Closures**

As the holiday season approaches, please review the office closure protocol for holidays or organizational events, provided below. Programs can locate specific program expectations in the contract Statement of Work and/or in the Substance Use DisorderProvider Operations Handbook (SUDPOH). Outpatient programs generally follow the County of San Diego (County) holiday schedule which is attached for reference. Residential programs remain open 365 days a year. If staffing is reduced duringthe holidays, regular program activities such as group sessions, individual sessions, or assessments are expected to continue.

Programs intending to have a closure that is not specified in the Statement of Work or provided for in the SUDPOH need to pro-actively reach out to the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) to provide rationale and obtain written approval.

### **Office Closure Protocol**

For all CYF programs, the following closure procedures must be adhered to:

- All clients and/or caregivers to receive advance notice of closure
- Stakeholders and referral sources to be notified of closure in advance
- Visible and legible signs regarding closure to be displayed, minimally, at the entrance(s) of the building/program.
- Outgoing phone and email messages (such as out of office alerts) to inform caller of closure and available alternative resources (i.e., hotline numbers, cell phone numbers, or other emergency numbers).
- Closures of up to two hours do not need approval from the COR.
- Proposed closures are finalized only upon written approval from the COR

The Children, Youth, and Families team wishes your team and the children and families you serve a happy and safe holiday season!

Attachment: County Holiday Schedule 2021-2022

#### For More Information:

• Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR)

# **County Holiday Schedule**

### 2021

January 1	New Year's Day
January 18	Martin Luther King Day
February 15	President's Day
March 31	César Chávez Day
May 31	Memorial Day
July 5	Independence Day
September 6	Labor Day
November 11	Veteran's Day
November 25 & 26	Thanksgiving
December 24	Christmas
December 31	New Year's Day

## <u>2022</u>

January 17 February 21 March 31 May 30 July 4 September 5 November 11 November 24 & 25 December 26

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