# **Virtual Speaker Series:**

# Medical Marijuana Use While in Mental and Behavioral Health Treatment in Pennsylvania

PerformCare, a national behavioral health managed care company, recently surveyed Pennsylvania behavioral health care providers to better understand the impact of medical marijuana (MM) use on diagnosis and treatment.

# **Did you know?**

#### PerformCare's survey results showed that:

- Over two-thirds of providers serve patients who have a prescribed MM card.
- Fewer than one-third of those providers have a policy, procedure, or best practice to guide behavioral health treatment for members with an MM card.
- Most providers would like educational resources or training on MM use during behavioral health treatment.



#### **Join us for continuing education unit (CEU) training!** This online session, An Overview of Medical Marijuana Use While in Mental and Behavioral Health

- Use of MM in treatment
- Empirical literature on MM efficacy

Treatment in Pennsylvania, will explore:

- Potential clinical and logistical issues for patients who use MM during mental and behavioral health treatment
- Pennsylvania's law, approved clinical uses, and statistics regarding MM



# Date: Monday, June 24 Time: 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

### Presenter: Nyemade Cummings-Swen, PsyD, MBA

Dr. Cummings-Swen is a Psychologist Advisor at PerformCare Pennsylvania. A neuropsychologist by training, she is licensed in Pennsylvania and Delaware. She has practiced for over 12 years, working in community-based behavioral health, educational settings, hospital-based practice, private practice, and state and federal health systems. Dr. Cummings-Swen serves on PerformCare's Physical Health Behavioral Health and Initiation, Engagement, and Treatment workgroups to analyze data on substance use disorder diagnoses and treatment.

#### **Register by Monday, June 17.** To sign up, visit: www.surveymonkey.com/r/Medical\_Marijuana\_Use\_24

#### Free training and CEU credit:

LCSWs, LSWs, LPCs, and LMFTs may earn **one CEU credit or an attendance certificate** by attending for the full hour. Registered participants will receive an email with the session details and Zoom link a week before the session date.

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