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Mental Health Parity Team Article Published in Employee Benefit Plan Review

The *Employee Benefit Plan Review* published the article, <u>"New Mental Health Parity</u> <u>Guidance: Considerations Every Health Plan Sponsor Should Know,</u>" by Reinhart Mental Health Parity Team attorneys <u>Greg Storm</u>, <u>Stacie Kalmer</u>, <u>Katie Kratcha</u> and <u>Paul Beery</u> in its October 2023 issue. The article outlines the proposed rules requiring health plans to provide meaningful benefits for mental health and substance use disorders, and increasing the consequences of noncompliance. The Reinhart authors advise plan sponsors to take necessary measures to ensure their plans meet the new guidelines.

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If you have any questions about the potential impact these changes could have on your benefit plans, please contact a member of Reinhart's <u>Mental Health Parity</u> <u>Team</u>.

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