



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

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Barbara J. Bazron, PhD  
Director  
Department of Behavioral Health  
64 New York Avenue NE, 3rd Floor  
Washington, DC 20002

Subject: **Oversight of Community-Based Service Providers Audit**  
**OIG No. 25-1-05RM**

Dear Director Bazron:

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) is launching an audit of the Department of Behavioral Health's (DBH) evaluation, approval, and oversight of community-based service providers. We will perform this audit in accordance with [generally accepted government auditing standards](#).

Our objectives are to determine whether DBH: (1) uses appropriate criteria when evaluating potential service providers; and (2) conducts effective oversight of approved service providers.

This audit (project number 25-1-05RM) is part of our [Fiscal Year 2025 Audit and Inspection Plan](#). Audit Director Robert Binelli will schedule an entrance conference to discuss the audit process and address any questions. Meanwhile, please direct any immediate concerns to me or Dr. Slemo Warigon, Assistant Inspector General for Audits, at 202-792-5684.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Lucas", is positioned above the printed name.

Daniel W. Lucas  
Inspector General

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