

IMPORTANT CHANGES:

LA CSoC PROVIDERS: PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING REVISIONS TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDER MANUAL

The Office of Behavioral Health has published the revisions to Mental Health Rehabilitation, Addiction, and Opioid Treatment Programs. Providers should adhere to the current guidelines as follows:

Mental Health Rehabilitation Services:

- Staff Supervision for Non-Licensed Staff Providing PSR and CI - Text and/or emails cannot be used as a form of supervision to satisfy this requirement. Any protected health information discussed during supervision must be HIPAA compliant.

CPST Provider Qualifications:

Agency – No longer required to arrange for Tuberculosis testing for potential new hires nor staff who are employed at the agency.

- Staff – Testing for Tuberculosis is not needed.

PSR Provider Qualifications:

Agency - No longer required to arrange for Tuberculosis testing for potential new hires nor staff who are employed at the agency. The agency is no longer required to maintain records of staff members' Tuberculosis test results.

- Staff - Testing for Tuberculosis is not needed.
- Staff – Staff are no longer required to be at least three (3) years older than the individual they serve.

Addiction Services:

Telehealth

Licensed Mental Health Professionals providing assessments, evaluations, individual psychotherapy, family psychotherapy, and medication management services within intensive outpatient or outpatient treatment may be reimbursed when conducted via telecommunication technology. The LMHP is responsible for acting within the telehealth scope of practice as decided by the respective licensing board. The provider must bill the procedure code (CPT codes) with modifier "95", as well as the correct place of service, either POS 02 (other than home) or 10 (home). Reimbursement will be at the same rate as a face-to-face service.

Exclusions: Methadone admission visits conducted by the admitting physician within Opioid Treatment Programs are not allowed via telecommunication technology.

Opioid Treatment:

Telehealth

Licensed Mental Health Professionals providing assessments, evaluations, individual psychotherapy, family psychotherapy, and medication management services offered within Opioid Treatment Programs may be reimbursed when conducted via telecommunication technology. The LMHP is responsible for acting within the telehealth scope of practice as decided by the respective licensing board. The provider must bill the procedure code (CPT codes) with modifier "95", as well as the correct place of service, either POS 02 (other than home) or 10 (home). Reimbursement will be at the same rate as a face-to-face service.

Exclusions: Methadone admission visits conducted by the admitting physician within Opioid Treatment Programs are not allowed via telecommunication technology.