Behavioral Health Provider Directed Payment Increase

Effective January 1, 2023, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) implemented four behavioral health-directed payments (BHDP's) within the CCO contracts that will further the goals and priorities of the Medicaid program. For 2025, OHA has updated their guidance for the BHDP as reflected below:

1. Tiered Uniform Rate Increase Directed Payment based on % of Medicaid revenue received. The Directed Payment is limited to ACT/SE service, Mental Health Non-Inpatient, and SUD Categories of Service listed in the OHP BH Fee Schedule. For further details see 2025 OHA BHDP guidance document appendix A.

Primarily Non-Medicaid Providers, with less than 50% of BH service revenue derived from providing Medicaid services in the prior CY, will be paid at a rate of 100% of the January 2025 OHP BH Fee Schedule.

Primarily Medicaid Providers, with greater than 50% of BH service revenue derived from providing Medicaid services in the prior CY, will be paid at a rate of 110% of the January 2025 OHP BH Fee Schedule.

2. Co-Occurring Disorder Directed Payment - requiring certification by the state.

The Directed Payment is limited to SUD Residential, Mental Health Non-Inpatient, and SUD Categories of Service listed in the OHP BH Fee Schedule. For further details see 2025 OHA BHDP COD guidance document appendix A.

10% of the January 2025 OHP BH Fee schedule rate for covered non-residential services by Qualified Mental Health Associates, Peers, or SUD Treatment staff as defined in OAR 309-019-0105.

15% of the January 2025 OHP BH Fee schedule rate for SUD residential and intensive outpatient services.

20% of the January 2025 OHP BH Fee schedule rate for covered non-residential services by Qualified Mental Health Professionals, Licensed Healthcare Professionals, or Mental Health Interns as defined in OAR 309-019-0105.

3. CLSS Directed Payment - requiring certification by the state.

The Directed Payment is limited to ACT/SE services, ABA, Mental Health Non-Inpatient, MH Children's Wraparound, SUD, and SUD Residential Categories of Service listed in the OHP BH Fee Schedule. For further details see 2025 OHA BHDP CLSS guidance document appendix A.

22% of the January 2025 OHP BH Fee Schedule for Non-Rural qualifying providers. **27**% of the January 2025 OHP BH Fee Schedule for Rural qualifying providers.

4. Minimum Fee Schedule Directed Payment

The directed payment will require BH providers in A&D Residential, Applied Behavior Analysis, MH Children's Wraparound to be paid at least the FFS State Plan fee schedule rate for services delivered during the contract year.

For more information, please review:

OHA's webpage about the Behavioral Health Rate Increase for Medicaid Providers.

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