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Department of Health Care
Policy & Financing

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RE: Behavioral Health Policy Changes Effective July 1, 2024 (Policy Transmittal: MCE 24-01)

Managed Care Entities:

New Covered SUD/MH Diagnosis Codes effective July 1, 2024

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) is adding the following diagnoses under the Capitated Behavioral Health Benefit effective July 1, 2024. The updated code spans that include these diagnoses will be reflected in Exhibit I of the RAE contract and Appendix I in the State Behavioral Health Services Billing Manual (SBHS) Billing Manual.

Covered Mental Health Diagnoses

Start Value	End Value
F20.0	F69
F90.0	F98.4
F98.8	F99
R45.1	R45.2
R45.5	R45.82

Covered Substance Use Disorder Diagnoses

Start Value	End Value
F10.10	F19.99

Covering Substance Use Disorder Partial Hospitalization effective July 1, 2024

Pending approval of the Long Bill by the Colorado Legislature, HCPF will be adding Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Partial Hospitalization (PHP) as a covered service under the Capitated Behavioral Health Benefit effective July 1, 2024. This service will be billable using Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code H0016. This is a new code that will be included in Exhibit I of the Contract and in the SBHS Billing Manual.

Covering Supportive Housing effective July 1, 2024

HCPF is building out the Supportive Housing services covered under HCPCS codes H0043 and H0044 to clarify and reflect the scope of services billable under Medicaid. The updated coding pages will be included in the July 1, 2024 edition of the SBHS Billing Manual. Additionally, HCPF is creating a distinct enrollment pathway for Supportive Housing providers. Enrollment under this PT/ST will be available July 1, 2024.

New coverage policy for Members Under 21 effective July 1, 2024

In compliance with Senate Bill 23-174, HCPF has identified 18 services that will be billable starting July 1, 2024 using a Symptomology or Social Determinant of Health (SDOH) diagnosis code when



provided to a member under 21 years old. The following 18 services are allowed to have one of the diagnosis codes listed for this new coverage. Otherwise, services must be provided for and billed using a covered diagnosis.

The current list of 31 codes that do not require a covered diagnosis are not impacted by this policy. Those 31 codes may be billed with the SDOH diagnosis codes since they do fall under “non-covered” diagnosis categories. The list of diagnosis codes allowed for these 18 services will be added to the SBHS Billing Manual and can be found on our webpage <https://hcpf.colorado.gov/sb23-174-coverage-policy>. The approved SDOH code spans are:

Start	End
R45.0	R45.7
R45.81	R45.84
R45.850	R45.89
R69 and Z03.89	
Z55.0	Z55.9
Z56.0	Z56.6
Z56.81	Z56.9
Z58.81	Z58.9
Z59.00	Z59.02
Z59.10	Z59.3
Z59.41	Z59.7
Z59.811	Z59.9
Z60.0	Z60.9
Z62.0	Z62.1
Z62.21	Z62.6
Z62.810	Z62.819
Z62.820	Z62.823
Z62.831	Z62.833
Z62.890	Z62.9
Z63.0	Z63.1
Z63.31	Z63.6
Z63.71	Z63.9
Z64.0	Z64.4
Z65.0	Z65.9

The 18 services below will also be highlighted in blue on Appendix I in the SBHS Billing Manual to indicate this distinct policy.

- 90785 Interactive complexity add-on
- 90832 Psychotherapy with member, 30 mins
- 90834 Psychotherapy with member, 45 mins
- 90837 Psychotherapy with member, 60 mins
- 90846 Family psychotherapy without member present
- 90847 Family psychotherapy with member present



90849 Multiple-family Group psychotherapy

90853 Group psychotherapy

90875 Individual psychophysiological therapy incorporating biofeedback with psychotherapy, 30 mins

90876 Individual psychophysiological therapy incorporating biofeedback with psychotherapy, 45 mins

H0004 Behavioral Health counseling and therapy

H0005 Alcohol and/or drug services, group counseling

H0038 Self-help/peer services, per 15 mins

H2014 Skills training and development, per 15 mins

H2017 Psychosocial rehabilitation services, per 15 mins

H2023 Supported employment, per 15 mins

H2027 Psychoeducational service

S9445 Member education, not otherwise classified, non-physician provider, individual

S9485 Crisis Intervention Per Diem

Effective July 1, 2024 HCPCS code S9485 will not require a covered diagnosis. This will be indicated in the SBHS Billing Manual, Appendix I with yellow highlighting to be consistent with all other crisis service codes.

New Qualified Behavioral Health Assistant (QBHA) service provider

In compliance with Senate Bill 22-181, a Qualified Behavioral Health Assistant (QBHA) credential has been created by Behavioral Health Administration (BHA). Effective July 1, 2024 QBHA will be listed as a service provider in the SBHS Billing Manual on any page where a Peer Specialist is currently indicated. While a managed care entity will not see this service provider on a claim, you may begin to see this provider and credential on service documentation. The BHA is publishing a website that details the scope of practice for a QBHA. An approved training curriculum will begin to be available by the Colorado Community College System (CCCS) starting Fall 2024. You can read the press release from [Colorado Community College](#).

