



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

New Hampshire Medicaid Program

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NH Medicaid Provider Notice

CHANGES IN MEDICARE COVERED SERVICES FOR OPIOID USE DISORDER

Effective January 1, 2020, Medicare will be expanding their covered services to include Opioid Use Disorder (OUD). To ensure proper reimbursement for OUD service, providers must be Medicare enrolled providers. Medicare has reached out to opioid treatment providers in all states to request they enroll in Medicare to allow for reimbursement by Medicare. For more information on Medicare enrollment go to: <https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNProducts/MLN-Publications>

What does this mean for Medicaid Providers with Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries?

Providers enrolled in Medicaid will not submit claims directly to NH Medicaid or a Managed Care Organization (MCO) for clients with Medicare coverage. Claims submitted to and paid by Medicare will automatically be sent to NH Medicaid or an MCO for Medicaid processing.

NH Medicaid Request

In preparation for this change, NH Medicaid needs your assistance.

NH Medicaid requests that you hold any claims for services delivered on or after 1/1/2020 until you are enrolled with Medicare. Once enrolled with Medicare, you must bill these claims to Medicare. These claims will automatically crossover to NH Medicaid MMIS or the MCOs for Medicaid processing. Medicaid will pay the provider for any patient liability after the Medicare payment. NH Medicaid will not pay more than the Medicaid allowable for services delivered. This amount is determined by combining the Medicare payment with the patient liability and comparing to the Medicaid allowable.

Please let NH Medicaid know if you are already a Medicare provider or have applied for Medicare enrollment but not received approval. This information is important to ensure accurate processing of your claims effective January 1, 2020. You can respond to this letter by calling (603) 271-6117 or in writing to:

DHHS – Third Party Liability
129 Pleasant St. – Thayer Building
Concord NH 03301

When calling or writing, please make sure to have your NH Medicaid ID.

New Medicare Covered OUD Services

The services covered by Medicare are as follows:

- US Food and Drug Administration approved opioid agonist and antagonist medications for the treatment of OUD
- Dispensing and administering such medications (if applicable)
- Substance use counseling
- Individual and group therapy
- Toxicology testing, including presumptive and definitive testing
- Intake activities
- Periodic assessments

Medicare will allow providers to furnish the substance use counseling, individual therapy, and group therapy included in the bundle via two-way interactive audio/video communication technology.

Attached are the “G” codes Medicare requires to be billed for services. These codes have been cross-walked to the Medicaid “H” codes. The Medicaid “H” codes cannot be billed directly to Medicaid for Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries. The new Medicare “G” codes must be billed to Medicare for payment.

Medicare/Medicaid Beneficiaries Impact

For most Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries, there will be no impact to them or their services. However, this change in coverage could affect those Medicaid beneficiaries who are on a Medicaid spenddown. Medicaid beneficiaries who are enrolled in Medicare Part B and whose methadone treatment is paid for by that program may no longer deduct those expenses to offset their spenddown. Individuals who are not entitled to or enrolled in Part B may continue to deduct these incurred expenses to offset their spenddown. This may cause some Medicaid beneficiaries to take longer to activate their Medicaid eligibility. If you know of a Medicare/Medicaid beneficiary affected by this change, please work with them to understand these changes in Medicare’s benefits and how this could affect their Medicaid. If your patients have questions, they should contact their DHHS District Office.

Medicare Enrollment and Billing Requirements

The billing and servicing (rendering) provider must be enrolled with Medicare. Professionals who can provide the substance use counseling and individual and group therapy included in the bundled payment include:

- Licensed clinical social workers
- Licensed professional counselors
- Licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselors
- Certified peer specialists who are permitted to furnish this type of therapy or counseling by state law and scope of practice
- Others who are permitted to furnish this type of therapy or counseling by state law and scope of practice

If the individual furnishing therapy or counseling services is not authorized under state law to furnish such services, the therapy or counseling service provided by these professionals would not be covered as OUD treatment services.

****IMPORTANT NOTE****

Please ensure all of your servicing (rendering) providers have NPIs and are enrolled with Medicare. The servicing (rendering) provider must be submitted on all Medicare claims. Medicare will not process a claim if the servicing (rendering) provider is blank on the claim or the servicing (rendering) provider is not enrolled with Medicare.

For more information on Medicare billing, please go to the following website:

- <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/otp-billing-and-payment-fact-sheet.pdf>

Medicaid Crosswalk of Medicare OUD Codes

HCPCS	Descriptor (+ASAM notes)	Related H Codes
G2067	Medication assisted treatment, methadone ; weekly bundle including dispensing and/or administration, substance use counseling, individual and group therapy, and toxicology testing, if performed (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program)	H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management H0020: Opioid Treatment Program, Methadone H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services
G2068	Medication assisted treatment, buprenorphine (oral) ; weekly bundle including dispensing and/or administration, substance use counseling, individual and group therapy, and toxicology testing if performed (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program)	H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management H0033: Opioid Treatment Program, Buprenorphine H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services

<p>G2069</p>	<p>Medication assisted treatment, buprenorphine (injectable); weekly bundle including dispensing and/or administration, substance use counseling, individual and group therapy, and toxicology testing if performed (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program) (+This code should be billed only during the week that the drug is administered. HCPCS code G2074, which describes a bundle not including the drug, would be billed during any subsequent weeks that at least one non-drug service is furnished until the injection is administered again, at which time HCPCS code G2069 would be billed again for that week.)</p>	<p>H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management H0033: Opioid Treatment Program, Buprenorphine H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services</p>
<p>G2070</p>	<p>Medication assisted treatment, buprenorphine (implant insertion); weekly bundle including dispensing and/or administration, substance use counseling, individual and group therapy, and toxicology testing if performed (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program)</p>	<p>H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management H0033: Opioid Treatment Program, Buprenorphine H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services</p>
<p>G2071</p>	<p>Medication assisted treatment, buprenorphine (implant removal); weekly bundle including dispensing and/or administration, substance use counseling, individual and group therapy, and toxicology testing if performed (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program)</p>	<p>H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management H0033: Opioid Treatment Program, Buprenorphine H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services</p>

<p>G2072</p>	<p>Medication assisted treatment, buprenorphine (implant insertion and removal); weekly bundle including dispensing and/or administration, substance use counseling, individual and group therapy, and toxicology testing if performed (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program)</p>	<p>H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management H0033: Opioid Treatment Program, Buprenorphine H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services</p>
<p>G2073</p>	<p>Medication assisted treatment, naltrexone; weekly bundle including dispensing and/or administration, substance use counseling, individual and group therapy, and toxicology testing if performed (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program)</p>	<p>H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services</p>
<p>G2074</p>	<p>Medication assisted treatment, weekly bundle not including the drug, including substance use counseling, individual and group therapy, and toxicology testing if performed (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program)</p>	<p>H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services</p>

<p>G2075</p>	<p>Medication assisted treatment, medication not otherwise specified; weekly bundle including dispensing and/or administration, substance use counseling, individual and group therapy, and toxicology testing, if performed (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program).</p>	<p>H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services</p>
<p>G2076</p>	<p>Intake activities, including initial medical examination that is a complete, fully documented physical evaluation and initial assessment conducted by a program physician or a primary care physician, or an authorized healthcare professional under the supervision of a program physician or qualified personnel that includes preparation of a treatment plan that includes the patient’s short-term goals and the tasks the patient must perform to complete the short-term goals; the patient’s requirements for education, vocational rehabilitation, and employment; and the medical, psycho- social, economic, legal, or other supportive services that a patient needs, conducted by qualified personnel (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program); List separately in addition to code for primary procedure.</p>	<p>H0001: Assessment</p>
<p>G2077</p>	<p>Periodic assessment; assessing periodically by qualified personnel to determine the most appropriate combination of services and treatment (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program); List separately in addition to code for primary procedure.</p>	<p>H0001: Assessment</p>

G2078	Take-home supply of methadone; up to 7 additional day supply (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program); List separately in addition to code for primary procedure. (+ SAMHSA allows a maximum take-home supply of one month of medication; therefore, CMS does not expect the add-on codes describing take-home doses of methadone and oral buprenorphine to be billed more than 3 times in one month (in addition to the weekly bundled payment))	H0020: Opioid Treatment Program, Methadone H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management
G2079	Take-home supply of buprenorphine (oral); up to 7 additional day supply (provision of the services by a Medicare-enrolled Opioid Treatment Program); List separately in addition to code for primary procedure. (+ SAMHSA allows a maximum take-home supply of one month of medication; therefore, CMS does not expect the add-on codes describing take-home doses of methadone and oral buprenorphine to be billed more than 3 times in one month (in addition to the weekly bundled payment))	H0033: Opioid Treatment Program, Buprenorphine H0014: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management
G2080	Each additional 30 minutes of counseling or group or individual therapy in a week of medication assisted treatment, (provision of the services by a Medicare enrolled Opioid Treatment Program); List separately in addition to code for primary procedure.	H0004-U1: Individual Counseling, 30 minutes H0004-U2: Individual Counseling, 45 minutes H0004-U3: Individual Counseling, 60 minutes H005: Group Counseling H0047-HS: Family Counseling, Without patient present H0047-HR: Family Counseling, With patient present H0047-HS-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, without patient present H0047-HR-HQ: Family Counseling, Multi Family Group, with patient present H0015: Intensive Outpatient Services H2036-HH: Partial Hospitalization Services