

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Department of Health Care Finance



Office of the Senior Deputy Director and Medicaid Director

Transmittal 23-19

**TO:** All Adult Substance Use Rehabilitative Services Providers

**FROM:** Melisa Byrd  
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**DATE:** April 7, 2023

**SUBJECT:** **Reimbursement Rate Changes for Adult Substance Use Rehabilitative Services tied to the end of the Public Health Emergency**

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**Purpose**

The purpose of this transmittal is to notify Adult Substance Use Rehabilitative Services (ASURS) providers that the District of Columbia Medicaid Fee Schedule will be updated for ASURS covered under the State Plan. The rate changes outlined in this transmittal are the result of the sunset of temporary rate enhancements tied to the expiration of the federal Public Health Emergency (PHE).

Under Disaster Relief State Plan authority, state Medicaid agencies may seek to implement approved policies and procedures which are different from the policies and procedures that otherwise apply under the Medicaid State Plan during the period of Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals thereof), or for any shorter period. On August 25, 2020, DHCF submitted a Medicaid Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) (DC SPA #20-007). On October 6, 2020, CMS approved DC SPA #20-007, which allowed DHCF to increase reimbursement to ASURS providers by twenty percent (20%) for the duration of the federal PHE.<sup>1</sup>

On February 9, 2023, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced the federal PHE for COVID-19, originally declared under Section 319 of the Public Health Service Act, **will expire on May 11, 2023**. As such, the authority to provide enhanced reimbursement rates for ASURS, including under the District's Disaster Relief SPA #20-007, will expire on the same date.

The tables below provide a listing of both the billing codes and new rates for ASURS, beginning May 12, 2023. The Medicaid Fee Schedule for those services is located on the DHCF website at <https://www.dc-medicaid.com/dcwebportal/nonsecure/feeScheduleInquiry>.

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<sup>1</sup> [DHCF Transmittal #20-36](#) outlines the temporary enhanced reimbursement rates for ASURS (formerly ASARS) implemented after CMS approval of DC SPA #20-007.

**Adult Substance Use Rehabilitative Services (ASURS) Effective May 12, 2023**

<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Procedure Code</b>	<b>Modifier(s)</b>	<b>Rate Effective 05/12/23</b>
Breathalyzer Collection	H0048		\$ 9.34
Urinalysis Collection	H0048	LR	\$ 9.34
Clinical Care Coordination	T1017	HF	\$ 28.06
Clinical Care Coordination	T1017	HF, GT	\$ 28.06
Counseling, Group	H0005		\$ 7.66
Counseling Group	H0005	GT	\$ 7.66
Counseling, Group, Psycho-educational	H2027	HQ	\$ 6.45
Counseling, Group, Psycho-educational	H2027	GT,HQ	\$ 6.45
Counseling, Group, Psycho-educational (HIV)	H2027	HF,HQ	\$ 6.45
Counseling, Individual, On-site, Behavioral Health Therapy	H0004	HF	\$ 30.59
Counseling, Individual, Off-site	H0004	HF, TN	\$ 31.25
Counseling, Family with Client	H0004	HF, HR	\$ 30.59
Counseling, Family without Client	H0004	HF, HS	\$ 30.59
Crisis Intervention	H0007	HF	\$ 39.22
Short Term MMIWM - (Medically Monitored Inpatient Withdrawal Management)	H0010	U1	\$ 527.75
Behavioral Health Assessment, On-going, Risk Rating	H0002	TG	\$ 160.11
Diagnostic Assessment, Comprehensive Adult	H0001		\$ 275.34
Medication Assisted Treatment, Methadone, Clinic or Take Home	H0020		\$ 9.11
Medication Assisted Therapy, Administration	H0020	HF	\$ 9.11
Medication Management, Adult	H0016		\$ 53.37
Medication Management, Youth	H0016	HA, HF	\$ 53.37

Multi-Systemic Therapy for Juveniles (ACRA) (ages 12-20)	H2033	HA, HF	\$	67.02
Multi-Systemic Therapy for Juveniles (ACRA) (ages 21-24)	H2033	HF	\$	67.02
Recovery Support Service (RSS), Individual	H2014	UK, GT	\$	25.77
RSS Group	H2014	HQ	\$	6.45
Trauma Recovery and Empowerment Services (TREM)	H0004	ST, UB	\$	10.62

**Adult Substance Use Rehabilitative Services (ASURS) for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Effective May 12, 2023**

Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier(s)	Rate Effective 05/12/23
Breathalyzer Collection	H0048	HK	\$ 12.62
Urinalysis Collection	H0048	HK,LR	\$ 12.62
Clinical Care Coordination	T1017	HF, HK	\$ 31.50
Counseling, Group	H0005	HK	\$ 11.47
Counseling, Group, Psycho-educational	H2027	HK,HQ	\$ 9.53
Counseling, Individual, On-site, Behavioral Health Therapy	H0004	HF, HK	\$ 37.89
Counseling, Individual, Off-site	H0004	HF, HK,TN	\$ 39.35
Counseling, Family with Client	H0004	HF, HK, HR	\$ 37.89
Counseling, Family without Client	H0004	HF, HK, HS	\$ 37.89
Crisis Intervention	H0007	HF, HK	\$ 52.94
Short Term MMIWM - (Medically Monitored Inpatient Withdrawal Management)	H0010	U1, HK	\$ 762.81
Behavioral Health Assessment, On-going, Risk Rating	H0002	HK,TG	\$ 200.70

Diagnostic Assessment, Comprehensive Adult	H0001	HK	\$ 367.03
Medication Assisted Treatment, Methadone, Clinic or Take Home	H0020	HK	\$ 9.11
Medication Assisted Therapy, Administration	H0020	HF, HK	\$ 12.30
Medication Management, Adult	H0016	HK	\$ 64.01
Multi-Systemic Therapy for TAY - Transitional Aged Youth (ACRA) (Ages 21-24)	H2033	HF, HK	\$ 82.32
Recovery Support Service, Group	H2014	HK, HQ	\$ 9.54
Recovery Support Service (RSS), Individual	H2014	UK, HK	\$ 31.50
Trauma Recovery and Empowerment Services (TREM)	H0004	ST, UB, HK	\$ 14.34

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