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TO: California Alliance of Child and Family Services  
California Association for Alcohol/Drug Educators  
California Association of Alcohol & Drug Program Executives, Inc.  
California Association of DUI Treatment Programs  
California Association of Social Rehabilitation Agencies  
California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals  
California Council of Community Behavioral Health Agencies  
California Hospital Association  
California Opioid Maintenance Providers  
California State Association of Counties  
Coalition of Alcohol and Drug Associations  
County Behavioral Health Directors  
County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California  
County Drug & Alcohol Administrators

SUBJECT: Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) Reimbursement Rates & Medication Addiction Treatment (MAT) Rates for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23

PURPOSE: This Information Notice transmits FY 2022-23 reimbursement rates for DMC services in DMC State Plan counties (DMC Counties). This notice also includes DMC rates for Narcotic Treatment Program (NTP) services and MAT provided in both DMC counties and DMC Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) counties. These rates are effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

REFERENCE: Sections 51516.1, Title 22, California Code of Regulations; Sections 14021.51, 14021.6 and 14021.9; Welfare and Institutions Code Section 51516.1; Title 22, California Code of Regulations; [State Plan Amendment 20-006](#)

DISCUSSION: The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) developed reimbursement rates in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 14021.51, 14021.6, and 14021.9. These rates reflect analysis of costs for DMC services. A component of the FY

2022-23 analysis included use of a cumulative Implicit Price Deflator of 42.9% provided under the DMC State Plan regulations. The rates for NTP services also apply to NTP providers operating under the DMC-ODS Section 1915(b) Waiver.

In addition, the rate for residential services provided to the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) beneficiaries is equal to the current State rate for perinatal residential services. See [MHDUDS Information Notice 16-063](#) for billing policies for EPSDT clients, and Exhibit A for DMC rates for DMC counties.

DMC counties are also now able to submit claims in Short Doyle Medi-Cal (SDMC) for NTP expanded MAT services. However, the medications for MAT prescribed through Intensive Outpatient, Outpatient Treatment Services (also known as Outpatient Drug Free), and Residential providers will continue to be billed through the Medi-Cal pharmacy benefit.

For DMC-ODS counties, NTPs are required to have available the following medications: Buprenorphine, Disulfiram, and Naloxone. NTPs are responsible for prescribing, ordering, administering and monitoring services, and will be reimbursed with a bundled rate, which includes the costs of the drug and dosing. See Exhibit B for DMC MAT rates.

**Billing**

For DMC county billing for service dates on or after July 1, 2022, please refer to the following tables when populating the procedure and modifiers on the 837P electronic claim file submitted to SDMC for adjudication.

**Non-Perinatal Service Groups, Types, and Billing Codes**

Service Group	Service Type	Billing Codes		
		Procedure Code	Modifier	Modifier
IOT	Intensive Outpatient Treatment	H0015		
NTP	NTP – Individual Counseling	H0004	HG	
NTP	NTP – Group Counseling	H0005	HG	
NTP	MAT - Dosing - generic	S5000	HG	HV
NTP	MAT - Dosing - brand name	S5001	HG	HV
NTP	NTP – Methadone	H0020	HG	
ODF	ODF – Individual Counseling	H0004		
ODF	ODF – Group Counseling	H0005		
RES	Residential – Short-Term – EPSDT	H0018		
RES	Residential – Long-Term – EPSDT	H0019		

### Perinatal Service Groups, Types, and Billing Codes

Service Group	Service Type	Billing Codes			
		Procedure Code	Modifier	Modifier	Modifier
IOT	Intensive Outpatient Treatment	H0015	HD		
NTP	NTP – Individual Counseling	H0004	HD	HG	
NTP	NTP – Group Counseling	H0005	HD	HG	
NTP	NTP – Methadone	H0020	HD	HG	
NTP	MAT - Dosing - generic	S5000	HD	HG	HV
NTP	MAT - Dosing - brand name	S5001	HD	HG	HV
ODF	ODF – Individual Counseling	H0004	HD		
ODF	ODF – Group Counseling	H0005	HD		
RES	Residential – Short-Term	H0018	HD		
RES	Residential – Long-Term	H0019	HD		

For DMC-ODS MAT billing for service dates on or after July 1, 2022, please refer to the following tables when populating the procedure and modifiers on the 837P electronic claim file of DMC claims submitted for adjudication.

### Non-Perinatal Service Groups, Types, and Billing Codes

Service Group	Service Type	Billing Codes		
		Procedure Code	Modifier	Modifier
NTP	NTP/OTP Additional MAT Dosing - generic	S5000	UA	HG
NTP	NTP/OTP Additional MAT Dosing – generic - Youth	S5000	UA	HG
NTP	NTP/OTP Additional MAT Dosing – brand name	S5001	UA	HG
NTP	NTP/OTP Additional MAT Dosing – brand name - Youth	S5001	UA	HG

**Perinatal Service Groups, Types, and Billing Codes**

Service Group	Service Type	Billing Codes				
		Procedure Code	Modifier	Modifier	Modifier	Modifier
NTP	NTP/OTP Additional MAT Dosing – generic - Perinatal	S5000	HD	HG	UA	
NTP	NTP/OTP Additional MAT Dosing – generic – Perinatal - Youth	S5000	HD	HA	HG	UA
NTP	NTP/OTP Additional MAT Dosing – brand name - Perinatal	S5001	HD	HG	UA	
NTP	NTP/OTP Additional MAT Dosing – brand name – Perinatal - Youth	S5001	HD	HA	HG	UA

**QUESTIONS**

Questions regarding the DMC or MAT rates may be directed to Behavioral Health Financing Section at [BHFSOps@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:BHFSOps@dhcs.ca.gov). Billing and coding questions may be directed to MEDCCC at [MEDCCC@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:MEDCCC@dhcs.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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Enclosures