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Agency of Human Services
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Global Commitment Register

December 31, 2024

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PROPOSED

Residential Substance Use Disorder Treatment Value-Based Payment Model

Policy Summary:

The Vermont Medicaid program proposes to continue the value-based component of the payment model for the Substance Use Residential Treatment payment model. The payment model remains unchanged for calendar year 2025. Beginning with calendar year 2023, the Vermont Department of Health's residential substance use treatment facility episodic rate model incorporated provider results on three performance measures into payment through a reconciliation process.

Residential substance use treatment providers will earn points based on performance across three different measures and can earn up to \$75,000 across all providers, representing roughly 1% of estimated expenditures in the program. This value-based component is designed to incentivize timely treatment and aftercare plans, as well as engagement in clinically optimal lengths of stay.

Effective Date:

January 1, 2025

Authority/Legal Basis:

[Medicaid State Plan](#)

[Global Commitment to Health Waiver](#): Waiver authority #5 [Section 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30)]; Special Term and Condition #6.8.

Population Affected:

All Medicaid

Fiscal Impact:

The estimated gross annualized budget impact is \$75,000.

Public Comment Period:

December 31, 2024 – January 31, 2025

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Additional Information:

A Payment Arrangement Provider Performance Measures table can be found on the following page.

Payment Arrangement Provider Performance Measures

	Measure Name and NQF # (if applicable)	Measure Steward/Developer	Baseline Year	Baseline Statistic	Performance Measurement Period	Performance Target
a.	Percent of patients who have a treatment plan within the # of days specified in their agreements with the State.	State of Vermont	2021	70.0%	CY2025	>70% to earn any points and 100% to earn maximum points.
b.	Percent of clients with aftercare plans that include follow-up with substance use treatment (primary care physician, mental health, wrap-around, and/or substance use counseling).	State of Vermont	2023	98.7%	CY2025	>80% to earn any points and 90% to earn maximum points.
c.	Percent of clients with lengths of stays of seven (7) or more days.	State of Vermont	2021	68.0%	CY2025	>65% to earn any points and 90% to earn maximum points.