

Global Commitment Register

June 30, 2023

GCR 23-073 PROPOSED

Preferred Provider Rate Increase

Policy Summary:

The Vermont Medicaid program proposes to increase reimbursement rates by 5% to providers who have attained a certificate from the Department of Health, Division of Substance Use Programs (DSU) and have an existing contract or grant from the Department of Health to provide treatment for substance use disorder. These providers are called DSU Preferred Providers.

This increased funding is part of the State Fiscal Year 2024 budget appropriation from the Vermont State Legislature.

Effective Date:

July 1, 2023

Authority/Legal Basis:

Medicaid State Plan

State Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations Act (Act 78 of 2023)

This change is being done through Global Commitment to Health waiver authority, where DVHA may establish rates with providers on an individual or class basis without regard to the rates currently set forth in the approved 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 \$1,250,000.

Public Comment Period:

June 30, 2023 – July 31, 2023



Send comments to: Medicaid Policy Unit 280 State Drive, Center Building Waterbury, VT 05671-1000

Or submit via e-mail to AHS.MedicaidPolicy@vermont.gov.

To be added to the GCR email list, send an email to AHS.MedicaidPolicy@vermont.gov.

Additional Information:

The draft Global Commitment Amended State Plan page provides additional details on the proposed changes; copies of the draft page can be requested from local Department for Children and Families (DCF) offices or from the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) at (802) 355-8843, or can be found on Agency of Human Services website.

More information about DSU Preferred Provider Standards is available here.

A table with the proposed rates can be found on the following pages.



Division of Substance Use Programs (DSU) Medicaid Rate Sheet

Effective: 7/1/2023

Provider Specialty: \$18 Provider Type: T25

Procedure Code	Procedure Description(Paid Claims)	Modifiers	Modifier Explanation	Rates with 5% increase as of 7/1/2023 (includes HCBS)	Rates as of 4/1/2024 (without HCBS) and will be new base rate	Unit
H0001	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG ASSESSMENT	H0001HA	adolescent (<18)	\$212.49	\$206.11	Encounter
		H0001HB	adult (18+)		 	
	BEHAVORIAL HEALTH COUNSELING AND THERAPY, PER 15 MINUTES	H0004HA	adolescent (<18)		\$29.70	15 min
H0004		H0004HB	adult (18+)	\$30.62		
		H0004HS	adol (<18), without client present			
		H0005HA	adolescent (<18)	\$113.67	\$110.26	Encounter
H0005	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES; GROUP COUNSELING BY A CLINICIAN	Н0005НВ	adult (18+)			
H0010	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES; SUB-ACUTE DETOXIFICATION (RESIDENTIAL ADDICTION PROGRAM INPATIENT)	Н0010НВ	adult (18+)	\$167.40	\$162.37	Per Diem
H0011	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES; ACUTE DETOXIFICATION (RESIDENTIAL ADDICTION PROGRAM INPATIENT)	H0011HB	adult (18+)	\$167.40	\$162.37	Per Diem
H0015	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES; INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT (TREATMENT PROGRAM THAT OPERATES AT LEAST 3 HOUR *SEE BOOK	H0015HB H0015 HA	adult (18+) adolescent (<18)	\$163.43	\$158.53	Encounter
	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES; METHADONE ADMINISTRATION AND/OR SERVICE (PROVISION OF DRUG BY LICENSED PROGRM)	H0020HACG H0020HGCG H0020HBCG H0020HBHGCG	Adol (<18), buprenorphine, no health home services General pop, methadone, no health home services Adult (18+), buprenorphine, no health home services Adult (18+), methadone, no health home services	\$400.90	\$388.88	Month
H0020		H0020HASE H0020HGSE H0020HBSE H0020HBHGSE	Adol (<18), buprenropine, with health home services General pop, methadone, with health home services Adult (18+), buprenorphine, with health home services Adult (18+), methadone, with health home services	\$572.72	\$555.53	Month

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	H0020	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES; METHADONE ADMINISTRATION AND/OR SERVICE (PROVISION OF DRUG BY LICENSED PROGRM)	H0020HG	General pop, methadone	\$425.00	\$425.00	Month
T1006		ALCOHOL AND/OR SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FAMILY/COUPLE COUNSELING	T1006	Any	\$153.11	\$148.52	Encounter
	T1006		T1006HS	Adol (<18) without client present			
T1016		CASE MANAGEMENT, EACH 15 MINUTES		Adolescent (<18) Adult(18+)	\$16.36	\$15.87	15 Min

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Valley Vista and Recovery House Adult Episodic Rates for Treatment Episodes of Three or more nights

Provider May Use Either H0011 or H0018 -- the episodic rate includes BOTH services so they may not be billed separately

Primary Substance and Co-Occurring Category	Rates with 5% increase as of 7/1/2023 (includes HCBS)	Rates as of 4/1/2024 (without HCBS) and will be new base rate	Unit
Other/Opioid Z - No co-occurring	\$3,683.81	\$3,573.29	Episode
Other/Opioid A	\$3,893.89	\$3,777.07	Episode
Other/Opioid B	\$4,126.68	\$4,002.88	Episode
Other/Opioid C	\$4,373.10	\$4,241.91	Episode
Alcohol/Benzo Z - No co-occurring	\$4,193.68	\$4,067.87	Episode
Alcohol/Benzo A	\$4,442.37	\$4,309.10	Episode
Alcohol/Benzo B	\$4,709.23	\$4,567.95	Episode
Alcohol/Benzo C	\$4,994.26	\$4,844.43	Episode
Short Stay (per diem)	\$249.83	\$242.33	Episode