



START-ODS

SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION TO ADVANCE RECOVERY AND TREATMENT

Los Angeles County's Substance Use Disorder Organized Delivery System

FINANCE AND RATES FY 2019-2020 UPDATE

July 30, 2019

*Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (SAPC)*



POPULATION MODIFIERS:

- The **youth modifier** has been revised and will only apply when serving youth 12 through 17 years of age, and meeting the referenced criteria, at this time. SAPC will explore development of services/criteria requirements individuals 18 through 20 at a later date.
- The **pregnant and parenting women modifier** is unchanged.



Staff Modifiers for ASAM 3.1, 3.3, 3.5

- Submit the *Staff Modifier Attestation Form* for each site address and corresponding level(s) of care to SAPCMonitoring@ph.lacounty.gov with copy to your assigned Contract Program Auditor by August 15, 2019.
- Form to be distributed soon.



STAFF MODIFIERS – RESIDENTIAL

LICENSED PRACTITIONER - ASAM 3.1/3.5

- **Original:** “Eligible position(s) on-site at least **10 hours** per week for supervision and/or the delivery of direct services **per 15-beds**”
- **Revised:** “Eligible position(s) on-site a least **45-minutes** per week for supervision and/or the delivery of direct services **per licensed bed.**”



STAFF MODIFIERS – RESIDENTIAL

LICENSED PRACTITIONER - ASAM 3.3

- **Original:** “Eligible position(s) on-site at least **15 hours** per week for supervision and/or the delivery of direct services **per 15-beds**”
- **Revised:** “Eligible position(s) on-site a least **75-minutes** per week for supervision and/or the delivery of direct services **per licensed bed.**”



STAFF MODIFIERS – RESIDENTIAL

LICENSED-ELIGIBLE PRACTITIONER - ASAM 3.1/3.5

- **Original:** “Eligible position(s) on-site for the delivery of a total of at least **45-minutes** of individual, family or group counseling services 3-days per week **per 15-beds.**”
- **Revised:** “Eligible position(s) on-site for the delivery of a total of at least **10-minutes** of individual, family or group counseling services **per licensed bed.**”



STAFF MODIFIERS – RESIDENTIAL

LICENSED-ELIGIBLE PRACTITIONER - ASAM 3.3

- **Original:** “Eligible position(s) on-site for the delivery of a total of at least **90-minutes** of individual, family or group counseling services 3-days per week **per 15-beds.**”
- **Revised:** “Eligible position(s) on-site for the delivery of a total of at least **20-minutes** of individual, family or group counseling services **per licensed bed.**”



STAFF MODIFIERS – RESIDENTIAL 3.1, 3.3, 3.5:

CERTIFIED COUNSELOR

- **Original:** “50% of counselors delivering direct services on-site are certified.”
- **Revised:** “40% of counselors delivering direct services on-site are certified and 50% by July 1, 2020.”



RESIDENTIAL PROVIDERS (3.1 – 3.3 – 3.5)

Residentials, we want to hear from you on the staffing criteria **highlighted in blue** before we finalize the requirement!

The goal is for the modifier to encourage providers to sustain or motivate movement to the outlined structure.

- 1. Are the expectations reasonable, if no why not?*
- 2. What modifier can you do now?*
- 3. What modifier will you work towards this year, if any?*

Email Michelle **today** with your feedback:

migibson@ph.lacounty.gov



DOCUMENTATION TIME: 1.0-AR, 1.0, 2.1

- ***Group Counseling and Patient Education:***
 - **Interim solution** pending Sage configuration is to continue with current group formula.
 - Add the start and end timed to the Progress Note or Miscellaneous Note.
- ***Individual-Based Services:***
 - **Interim solution** pending Sage configuration is to add up to 10 minutes to the service duration.
 - Add the start and end time to the Progress Note or Miscellaneous Note.



**DOCUMENTATION TIME: ASAM 3.1, 3.3, 3.5, 1-WM,
2-WM, 3.2-WM, 3.7-WM, 4-WM**

- SAPC automatically reimburses a flat rate of \$19.03 per person per day for Network Providers who document service delivery at the **service-** or **daily-**level, **IF:**
 - Network Provider submits and follows an **agency-wide** Policy and Procedure reflecting this standard.
 - Submit to SAPCMonitoring@ph.lacounty.gov ASAP.
- Weekly documentation does not receive the bonus.
- SAPC will phase-out weekly notes beginning on July 1, 2020.
- Add start/end time of documentation to Progress or Miscellaneous Notes



Alcohol and Drug Testing

- The ability to get claim for alcohol/drug testing was an **error** and will be corrected in the revised bulletin and matrix to be distributed shortly. Providers should still be documenting alcohol/drug testing in the electronic health record/Sage and reporting as \$0.00 billing within the claims system. This helps SAPC document what occurs within treatment programs, and is considered when we update annual rates.



TRAVEL TIME: FIELD-BASED SERVICES (FBS)

- Travel time for Outpatient (ASAM 1.0, 1.0-AR) or Intensive Outpatient (ASAM 2.1) treatment services is on hold until Sage configuration.
- Travel time will not be paid retroactively.



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If you need technical assistance to help you determine if your agency should seek the documentation, population, or staffing modifiers please contact CIBHS at (916) 767-7053 for free training!