



Bulletin ID: 119

Recovery Support Services Program Rates under DC's Behavioral Health Transformation Demonstration

1. **Purpose.** To provide information and instruction to providers on the proper billing procedures for Recovery Support Services on/after 01/01/2020.
2. **Applicability.** Providers with Human Care Agreements certified under Chapter 63, "Certification Standards for Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Providers."
3. **Contact Persons.** Assigned Network Development Point of Contact
4. **Definitions.**

N/A

5. **Bulletin.**

On 11/6/2019, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approved the District's Behavioral Health Transformation demonstration with an effective date of 01/01/2020. This demonstration project expands the availability of Medicaid resources to services and supports that are critical for high quality care, including Recovery Support Services (RSS). CMS approved the District's proposal to allow Medicaid reimbursement for RSS. The Department of Health Care Finance published a rule implementing this authority (Chapter 86, "Behavioral Health Transformation Demonstration Program,") that makes RSS Medicaid reimbursable effective 01/01/2020.

As you may be aware, DBH's current rules, Chapter 63, "Certification Standards for Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Providers," and Chapter 64, "Reimbursement Rates for Services Provided by the Department of Behavioral Health Chapter 63 Certified Substance Use Disorder Providers," include RSS under multiple subcategories, including evaluation, life skills, spiritual support, and mentoring and coaching. The DHCF rule organizes all of the RSS services into three (3) categories: Recovery Support, Individual/HIV; Recovery Support, Group; and Recovery Support Evaluation, Alcohol/Drug Assessment. The rates are the same except now these services will be billed to Medicaid, with the exception of Environmental Stability, which will continue to be locally billed.

The purpose of this notice is to provide information and instruction to certified providers with a Human Care Agreement on the proper billing procedures to implement this new authority. The chart below identifies how services billed prior to 01/01/2020 shall be billed beginning 01/01/2020. There are no changes to how the services are designed or provided. In accordance with the related requirements of Chapter 86, the following services shall be billed and reimbursed as follows below.

Please note that any benefits plan starting 01/01/2020 must not contain Case Management, H0006 or Case Management HIV H0006, HK-HF, and must contain the new Recovery Support Benefits package, when appropriate. Any authorizations generated prior to 01/01/2020 that contain Case Management will be locally reimbursed through 06/30/20. After 6/30/20, Case Management, H0006 and Case Management HIV H0006, HK-HF will no longer be recognized by DBH.

Practice Before 1/1/2020				Practice Beginning 1/1/2020			
Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier	Reimbursement Rate	Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier	Reimbursement Rate
Recovery Support Evaluation, Alcohol/drug Assessment	H0001	HF	\$86.43 per service	Recovery Support Evaluation, Alcohol/drug Assessment	H0001	HF	\$86.43 per service
Case Management	H0006		\$21.97 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014		\$24.27 per 15 minutes
Case Management (HIV)	H0006	HK-HF	\$21.97 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, HIV	H2014	HV	\$24.27 per 15 minutes
Case Management, Recovery Support	T1017		\$21.97 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014		\$24.27 per 15 minutes
Prevention Education Service, Recovery Mentoring, Coaching	H0025	HF	\$24.27 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014		\$24.27 per 15 minutes
Training and Skills Development, Life Skills, Individual	H2014		\$24.27 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014		\$24.27 per 15 minutes
Training and Skills Development, Life Skills, Adult, Group	H2014	HQ	\$6.07 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Group	H2014	HQ	\$6.07 per 15 minutes

Practice Before 1/1/2020				Practice Beginning 1/1/2020			
Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier	Reimbursement Rate	Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier	Reimbursement Rate
Substance Use Disorder Services NOS, Spiritual Support Group	H0047	HF	\$6.07 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Group	H2014	HQ	\$6.07 per 15 minutes
PsychoSocial Rehabilitative Service, Recovery Social Activities, Group	H2017	HQ	\$6.07 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Group	H2014	HQ	\$6.07 per 15 minutes
PsychoSocial Rehabilitative Service, Education Services, Individual	H2017	HF	\$24.27 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014		\$24.27 per 15 minutes
PsychoSocial Rehabilitative Service, Education Services, Group	H2017	HF-HQ	\$6.07 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Group	H2014	HQ	\$6.07 per 15 minutes
Reimbursement for Clients Who are Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing							
Recovery Support Evaluation, Alcohol/drug Assessment	H0001	HF-HK	\$115.21 per service	Recovery Support Evaluation, Alcohol/drug Assessment	H0001	HF-HK	\$115.21 per service
Case Management	H0006	HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014	HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes
Case Management (HIV)	H0006	HK-HF-HV	\$29.66 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, HIV	H2014	HV-HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes

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Case Management, Recovery Support	T1017	HF-HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014	HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes
Prevention Education Service, Recovery Mentoring, Coaching	H0025	HF-HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014	HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes
Training and Skills Development, Life Skills, Individual	H2014	HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014	HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes
Training and Skills Development, Life Skills, Adult, Group	H2014	HQ-HK	\$8.98 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Group	H2014	HQ-HK	\$8.98 per 15 minutes
Substance Use Disorder Services NOS, Spiritual Support Group	H0047	HF-HK	\$8.98 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Group	H2014	HQ-HK	\$8.98 per 15 minutes
PsychoSocial Rehabilitative Service, Recovery Social Activities, Group	H2017	HQ-HK	\$8.98 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Group	H2014	HQ-HK	\$8.98 per 15 minutes
PsychoSocial Rehabilitative Service, Education Services, Individual	H2017	HF-HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Individual	H2014	HK	\$29.66 per 15 minutes
Practice Before 1/1/2020				Practice Beginning 1/1/2020			
Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier	Reimbursement Rate	Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier	Reimbursement Rate
PsychoSocial Rehabilitative Service, Education Services, Group	H2017	HF-HQ-HK	\$8.98 per 15 minutes	Recovery Support, Group	H2014	HQ-HK	\$8.98 per 15 minutes

6. **Related Bulletins/Policies/Regulations.**

- Chapter 63 of DCMR Title 22, "Certification Standards for Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Providers"
- Chapter 64 of DCMR Title 22, "Reimbursement Rates for Services Provided by the Department of Behavioral Health Chapter 63 Certified Substance Use Disorder Providers"
- Chapter 86 of DCMR Title 29, "Behavioral Health Transformation Demonstration Program"


7. **Exhibits.**

N/A

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