

# **Licensed Behavioral Health Practitioner (LBHP) Medicaid Managed Care Benefit**

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# Introduction & Housekeeping

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- Slides are posted at [MCTAC.org](https://mctac.org)
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  - Reviewed and incorporated into future trainings and presentations
  - Added to Q&A resources when possible

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## What is Licensed Behavioral Health Practitioner (LBHP) Benefit?

Medicaid Managed Care payment for most mental health clinic services delivered offsite in the community

- Part 599 Clinic, Part 598 (Integrated licensed clinic) providers are eligible for reimbursement under LBHP
- Does not mandate clinics to provide offsite services

***\*(Fee-for-Service payment remains for children's offsite services)***



# LBHP

## Eligibility, Services, Goals



# Eligibility

- Adults and children enrolled in Medicaid managed care
  - includes HARP and HIV SNP members
  - may or may not be enrolled in a Part 599 clinic
- Must also meet clinical or medical factors
  - Symptoms of agoraphobia, severe depression, delusions or others that prevent participation in onsite treatment
  - Temporary, transitional or episodic physical symptoms that make travel to the clinic prohibitively burdensome, such as a period of post-surgery recovery

# Reimbursable Off-Site Clinic Services

**MCOs must cover the following services when provided off-site**

- **Assessment**
  - ✓ Initial Assessment
  - ✓ Psychiatric Assessment
  - ✓ Psychiatric Consultation
- **Therapies**
  - ✓ Injectable Psychotropic Medication Administration with Monitoring and Education (15 minute minimum)
  - ✓ Psychotropic Medication Treatment (15 minute minimum)
  - ✓ Individual Psychotherapy (30 & 45 minute minimum)
  - ✓ Family Psychotherapy with or without the client (30 minute minimum)
  - ✓ Family Psychotherapy with the client (60 minute minimum)
  - ✓ Group Psychotherapy
- **Complex Care Management**
- **Physical Health**
  - ✓ Health Physicals
  - ✓ Health Monitoring
- **Crisis Services**
  - ✓ Brief

**MCOs shall not cover the following services when provided off-site:**

- **Testing**
  - ✓ Developmental Testing
  - ✓ Psychological Testing
- **Crisis Services**
  - ✓ Complex
  - ✓ Per Diem



# LBHP—Clinical Goals

- Engagement
- Treatment
- Transition





# LBHP—Clinical Goals

## Engagement

- Assess the need for services and engage the individual in clinic services offsite
- Transition to on-site clinic services when clinically indicated

# LBHP—Clinical Goals

## Recurring treatment

- Ongoing provision of off-site clinic services for as long as needed
  - Individual continues to demonstrate clinical and or medical need to be served offsite
  - Clinic performs and documents ongoing evaluation of need and rationale for the delivery of clinic services offsite.

# LBHP—Clinical Goals

## Transition (Inpatient to Outpatient)

- New admission or return to an outpatient clinic program
  - Facilitate “warm handoffs” from inpatient to outpatient clinic program
  - **May not** be used for **ongoing** treatment in an inpatient psychiatric setting
  - Inpatient provider has discretion to permit delivery of transition services by outpatient clinic staff on hospital grounds

# Rules and Regulations for Clinic Providers



# Documentation of Off-site Clinic Services

- Providers must document medical or clinical necessity for the provision of any off-site clinic services in the clinical record.
- Providers must document the rationale for ongoing off-site clinic services in an individual's treatment plan.
- All documentation and treatment planning requirements must be consistent with on-site clinic treatment services as outlined in OMH Part 599 guidance.

# Rules and Regulations

- Providers must comply with OMH Part 599/598 regulations, existing Part 599 clinic and LBHP guidance
- Substance use services provided in a Part 598 clinic are not covered by this guidance
  - Part 598 clinics must comply with relevant guidance as established by the New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services
- LBHP does not exempt providers from the necessity of establishing a satellite location when routine and regular visits will be provided at an off-site location. 14 NYCRR § 599.5

# Prior Authorization, Concurrent Review and Reimbursement Rules



# Prior Authorization and Concurrent Review

MCOs must follow prior authorization and concurrent review requirements established for Part 599 OMH licensed clinics.

- MCOs may not require prior authorization of off-site clinic services.
- MCOs may conduct concurrent review after 30 visits if compliant with parity requirements
- Clinic visit totals include both onsite and off-site clinic services



# Off-site Clinic Services—Reimbursement

- MCOs reimburse off-site clinic services at 150% of the onsite APG rate.
- Providers submit for reimbursement using APG off-site clinic service rate codes.
  - Article 31 free standing clinic rate code is 1507.
  - Article 28 hospital-based OMH licensed clinic rate code is 1519.
- The APG off-site rates are loaded into the 3M Grouper Pricer.
- If an individual receives a service onsite as well as off-site on the same day, separate claims for reimbursement are required for the on-site and off-site clinic services.



## Off-site Clinic Services—Reimbursement

- Part 599 APG modifier codes are used for LBHP claims
- MCOs must reimburse for the following rate modifiers:
  - Language other than English
  - After Hours
  - MD/NPP
  - Reduced Services Modifier (Psychotherapy)
- Subject to the State established multiple service discounting

# LBHP Benefit Resources

Licensed Behavioral Health Practitioner Guidance is published on the NYS OMH website at <https://www.omh.ny.gov/omhweb/bho/guidance-on-licensed-behavioral-health-practitioner-benefit.pdf>

Licensed Behavioral Health Practitioner FAQs document is published on the NYS OMH website at [www.omh.ny.gov/omhweb/bho/docs/lbhpbenefit.pdf](http://www.omh.ny.gov/omhweb/bho/docs/lbhpbenefit.pdf)

For questions regarding the LBHP benefit please contact the NYS OMH Managed Care Division at [Omh-managed-care@omh.ny.gov](mailto:Omh-managed-care@omh.ny.gov)



# Questions and Discussion

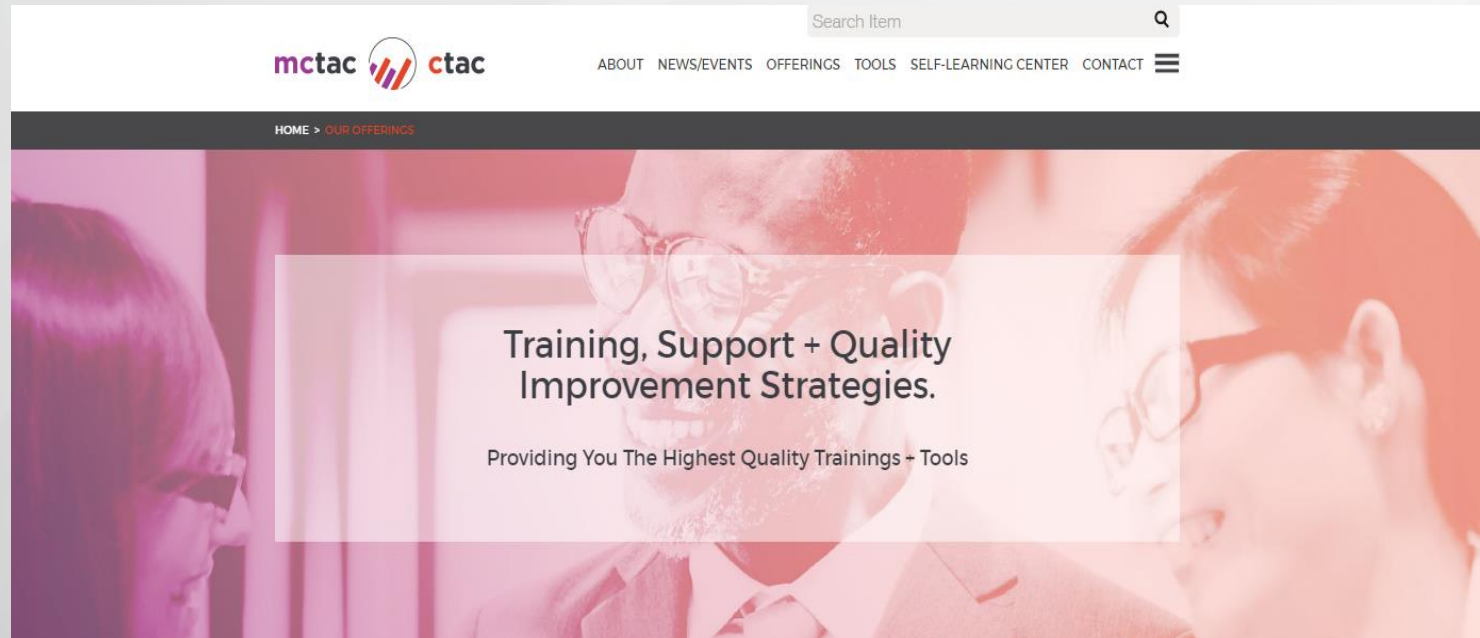
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