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October 25, 2017

Marie Zimmerman, State Medicaid Director  
Minnesota Department of Human Services  
P.O. Box 64983  
St. Paul, MN 55164-0983

Dear Ms. Zimmerman:

Enclosed for your records is an approved copy of the following State Plan Amendment:

Transmittal #17-0022      --Revises payment rates for substance use disorder services.  
--Effective Date: July 1, 2017  
--Approval Date: October 25, 2017

If you have any additional questions, please have a member of your staff contact Sandra Porter at (312) 353-8310 or via e-mail at [Sandra.Porter@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Sandra.Porter@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

/s/

Ruth A. Hughes  
Associate Regional Administrator  
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosures

cc:     Ann Berg, MDHS  
       Sean Barrett, MDHS

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13.d. Rehabilitative services. (continued)

*Final Rate Formula:*

1. salaries and fringe benefits ÷ total employment hours
2. item 1 x direct medical assistance direct service hours
3. item 2 ÷ medical assistance encounters
4. item 3 x the cognizant agency's unrestricted indirect cost percentage for the school district

final rate = item 3 + item 4

~~Effective July 1, 2011,~~ Payment for chemical dependency treatment services is pursuant to statewide graduated rate and complexity standards, as reflected on the following charts:

**Chemical Dependency Rates-Adolescent Services Rates (Effective July 1, 2017~~5~~)**

Adolescent Service Rates		Complexity		
Treatment Setting Descriptions	Addiction-only Basic Rate	Co-occurring	Special Populations	Medical Services
<b>Outpatient Treatment Rates</b>				
Individual (one hour increments)	\$72.11 \$71.40	+\$6.49 +\$6.43	+\$4.32 +\$4.28	+\$17.31 +\$17.14
Group (one hour increments)	\$35.03 \$34.68	+\$3.15 +\$3.12	+\$2.08	+\$8.40 +\$8.32
<b>Residential Treatment Rates - acuity addressed in intensity</b>				
<i>High Intensity (Minimum 15 hours/week )</i>	\$216.34 \$214.20	+\$12.98 +\$12.85	+\$6.49 +\$6.43	+\$12.98 +\$12.85
<i>Hospital-Based Residential Per Diem Rates</i>	\$309.06 \$306	+\$18.54 +\$18.36	+\$9.27 +\$9.18	

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**Chemical Dependency Rates-ADULT Service Rates (Effective October 1, 2015/July 1, 2017)**

Adult Service Rates		Complexity			
Treatment Setting Descriptions	Addiction Only Basic Rate	Co-occurring	Special Populations	Civilly Committed	Medical Services
<b>Outpatient Treatment Rates</b>					
Individual (one hour increments)	<u>\$72.11</u> <del>\$71.40</del>	<u>+\$6.49</u> <del>+\$6.43</del>	<u>+\$4.32</u> <del>+\$4.28</del>		<u>+\$17.31</u> <del>+\$17.14</del>
Group (one hour increments)	<u>\$35.03</u> <del>\$34.68</del>	<u>+\$3.15</u> <del>+\$3.12</del>	<u>+\$2.10</u> <del>+\$2.08</del>		<u>+\$8.40</u> <del>+\$8.32</del>
Medication Assisted Therapy-Methadone-per diem	<u>\$13.39</u> <del>\$13.26</del>	<u>+\$1.20</u> <del>+\$1.19</del>	<u>+\$0.81</u> <del>+\$0.80</del>		<u>+\$3.21</u> <del>+\$3.18</del>
Medication Assisted Therapy-all other-per diem	<u>\$22.66</u> <del>\$22.44</del>	<u>+\$2.04</u> <del>+\$2.02</del>	<u>+\$1.36</u> <del>+\$1.35</del>		<u>+\$5.44</u> <del>+\$5.39</del>
Medication Assisted Therapy-Methadone-PLUS-per diem ( minimum 9 hours counseling services per week)	<u>\$48.42</u> <del>\$47.94</del>	<u>+\$4.35</u> <del>+\$4.31</del>	<u>+\$2.91</u> <del>+\$2.88</del>		<u>+\$11.63</u> <del>+\$11.51</del>
Medication Assisted Therapy-all other-PLUS (same as above) per diem	<u>\$57.69</u> <del>\$57.12</del>	<u>+\$5.19</u> <del>+\$5.14</del>	<u>+\$3.46</u> <del>+\$3.43</del>		<u>+\$13.85</u> <del>+\$13.71</del>
<b>Residential Treatment Rates - acuity addressed in intensity</b>					
High Intensity (Minimum 30 hours/week )	<u>\$179.25</u> <del>\$177.48</del>	<u>+\$10.76</u> <del>+\$10.65</del>	<u>+\$5.37</u> <del>+\$5.32</del>	<u>\$151.50</u> <del>+\$150</del>	<u>+\$10.76</u> <del>+\$10.65</del>
Medium Intensity (Minimum 15 hours/week)	<u>\$132.90</u> <del>\$131.58</del>	<u>+\$7.97</u> <del>+\$7.89</del>	<u>+\$3.99</u> <del>+\$3.95</del>		<u>+\$11.96</u> <del>+\$11.84</del>
Low Intensity (Minimum 5 hours/week)	<u>\$63.87</u> <del>\$63.24</del>	<u>+\$3.83</u> <del>+\$3.79</del>	<u>+\$1.92</u> <del>+\$1.90</del>		<u>+\$11.49</u> <del>+\$11.38</del>
<i>Hospital-Based Residential Per Diem Rates</i>	<u>\$309.06</u> <del>\$306</del>	<u>+\$18.54</u> <del>+\$18.36</del>	<u>+\$9.27</u> <del>+\$9.18</del>		

All chemical dependency programs maintain data documenting the nature and extent or unit of the services provided to each recipient. Room and board is not eligible for medical assistance payment as chemical dependency treatment.

Payment rates for **individual and group therapy services** are based on efficiency standards by which counseling-staff cost are at least 50% of all costs for providing both group and individual therapy. Providers can bill up to one hour of individual therapy and ten hours of group therapy per day.