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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group

October 26, 2023

Robert M. Kerr, Director South Carolina Department of Health & Human Services P.O. Box 8206 Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

Re: South Carolina State Plan Amendment (SPA) 23-0012

Dear Director Snyder:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed your Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 23-0012. This SPA proposes to change services provided by county Substance Use Disorder (SUD) authorities under the oversight of the SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of SSA, Sect. 1902(a)(10) 42 C.F.R. 440.130, and 42 CFR 447.201. This letter is to inform you that South Carolina's SPA 23-0012 was approved on October 25, 2023, with an effective date of July 1, 2023.

Enclosed are copies of the approved CMS-179 summary form and the approved SPA pages to be incorporated into the South Carolina State Plan.

If you have any questions, please contact Etta Hawkins at (404) 562-7429 or via email at Etta.Hawkins@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely

James G. Scott, Director Division of Program Operations

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cc: Margaret Alewine Sheila Chavis

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13d. REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

Rehabilitative services are available only to Medicaid beneficiaries who meet the medical necessity criteria for these services. Medical necessity criteria may differ between individual services. Except where indicated, all services apply to both adults and children. The Division of Medicaid covers all medically necessary services for EPSDT-eligible beneficiaries ages birth to twenty-one (21) in accordance with 1905(a) of the Act, without regard to service limitations. Rehabilitative services are provided to, or directed exclusively toward, mental health and/or substance use disorder treatment for the Medicaid eligible beneficiary. Services are provided by qualified service providers for the purpose of ameliorating disabilities, improving the beneficiary's ability to function independently, and restoring maximum functioning through the use of diagnostic and restorative services.

a) Staff Qualifications

Rehabilitative services are medical or remedial services that have been recommended by a physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA) within the scope of their practice, under South Carolina State Law and as may be further determined by the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) for maximum reduction of physical or mental disability and restoration of a beneficiary to their best possible functional level. Services are provided by qualified clinical professionals and paraprofessionals as listed in the Staff Qualifications chart. Services are authorized by LPHA staff: Physician, Psychiatrist, Psychologist, Physician's Assistant, Registered Nurse with a Master's degree in Psychiatric Nursing, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse, Independent Social Worker — Clinical Practice, Marriage and Family Therapist, Licensed Master Social Worker (see Medicaid RBHS staff qualification table for guidance on provider type for this credential), Licensed Addictions Counselor, Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Psycho-Educational Specialist.

b) Service Limitations

Service limitations on scope, amount, duration, frequency, location of service, and/or other specific criteria described in coverage policies may be exceeded as medically necessary for all services. The provider must submit documentation that addresses the need for additional services. The Medicaid beneficiary must meet the medical necessity criteria for receipt of each requested service. The beneficiary must be reassessed to determine medical necessity before prior approval.

c) Freedom of Choice for the Beneficiaries

Medicaid beneficiaries will have free choice of any qualified licensed, unlicensed and paraprofessional Medicaid providers. The provider must assure that the provision of services will not restrict the beneficiary's freedom of choice and it is not in violation of section 1902(a)(23) of the Social Security Act.

d) Provider Qualifications

To participate in the South Carolina Medicaid Program, applicants or providers must meet appropriate federal and state requirements. If required by the services they will be providing, providers must:

- i. be licensed by the appropriate licensing body,
- ii. certified by the standard-setting agency,
- iii. and continuously meet these requirements.

E. Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Administration and Scoring (PTA)

The purpose of these services is to evaluate the beneficiary's intellectual, emotional, and behavioral status. Testing may include measures of intellectual and cognitive abilities, neuropsychological status, attitudes, emotions, motivations, and personality characteristics, as well as the use of other non-experimental methods of evaluation. Services also include scoring and interpreting the results of a patient's psychological or neuropsychological tests, documentation of results, treatment planning, and discussion of results with the patient, family members, or caregivers.

- a) <u>Limitation of Services:</u>
 Test administration/scoring requires medical necessity.
- b) <u>Staff Providing Services:</u> Test administration/scoring is performed by either a physician or

qualified healthcare professional, or a technician under the supervision of a physician/qualified healthcare professional (see pages 6c23-6c.30 for qualified healthcare professional listing).

F. Alcohol and Drug Assessment Nursing Services (ADN)

Delivery of this service involves a face-to-face interaction between a qualified health care professional and the beneficiary to assess the beneficiary's status, and to provide a diagnostic evaluation and screening as a mechanism to provide referral for substance abuse treatment services. This service may also include monitoring medical treatment, medication and provide a physical assessment of the beneficiary to determine the level of substance use dependency and/or the readiness for treatment. This assessment may also be used as a component of the process to establish medical necessity for the provision of substance abuse treatment services.

- a) Limitation of Services:
 - ADN is billed in 15-minute units with a limit of 22 units per 12 months. There may be clinical exceptions to the service limits when the number of units or encounters allowed may not be sufficient to meet the complex and intensive needs of a beneficiary. On these occasions, requests for frequencies beyond the service limits may be submitted directly to the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) for approval.
- b) Staff Providing Services:
 ADN must be provided by Physicians, Physician Assistants (PA), and Advanced Practical Registered Nurse (APRN), Licensed Practical Nurse, or Registered Nurse Practitioners operating within their scope of practice, as allowed by state law. (See pages 6c.23-6c.30).

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Title of Professional	Level of Education/Degree/or Experience Required	License or Certification Required	Supervision	Services Able to Provide
Licensed Psycho- Educational Specialist	Hold a Master's degree plus thirty hours or Master's degree or specialist degree that includes sixty hours or ninety quarter hours or a Doctoral degree in psychology. Complete 3 graduate classes in psychopathology (abnormal psychology, abnormal behavior and etiology dynamics). Complete 3 graduate classes diagnostic psychopathy and serve as a certified school psychologist for 2 years in a school and be certified by SCDE as a school psychologist level II or III. Must have a passing score (600 or above) on the ETS School Psychology exam (Praxis). Also must be licensed by the SC Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists and Psycho- Educational Specialists.	Licensed by SC Board of Examiners for Licensure or Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists and Psycho- Educational Specialists	None Required	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CIS, CM, DA, FS, FP, GP, IP, MFGP,PTA, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, TCC, SUD Level of Treatment: II.I, II.5, III.2-D, III.7-D, III.5-R, III.7-R, III.7-RA

Title of Professional	Level of Education/Degree/or Experience Required	License or Certification Required	Supervision	Services Able to Provide
Licensed Independent Social Worker- Clinical Practice (LISW-CP)	Master's or Doctoral degree from a Board-approved social work program.	Licensed by SC Board of Social Work Examiners	None Required	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CIS, CM, DA, FS, FP, GP, IP, MFGP, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, TCC, SUD Level of Treatment: II.I, II.5, III.2-D, III.7-D, III.5-R, III.7-R, III.7-RA
Licensed Masters Social Worker (LMSW)	Master's or a doctoral degree from a social work program, accredited by the Council on Social Work Education and one year of experience working with the population to be served.	Licensed by SC Board of Social Work Examiners	None Required	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CIS, CM, DA, FS, FP, GP, IP, MFGP, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, TCC, SUD Level of Treatment: II.I, II.5, III.2-D, III.7-D, III. 5-R, III. 7-R, III. 7- RA

Title of Professional	Level of Education/Degree/or Experience Required	License or Certification Required	Supervisio n	Services Able to Provide
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	A minimum of 48 graduate semester hours or 72 quarter hours in marriage and family therapy along with an earned master's degree, specialist's degree or doctoral degree. Each course must be a minimum of at least a 3 semester hour graduate level course with a minimum of 45 classroom hours of 4.5 quarter hours; one course cannot be used to satisfy two different categories.	Licensed by SC Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists and Psycho- Educational Specialists	None Required	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CIS, CM, DA, FS, FP, GP, IP, MFGP, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, TCC, SUD Level of Treatment: II.I, II.5, III.2-D, III.7-D, III.5-R, III.7-R, III.7-RA
Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC)	A minimum of 48 graduate semester hours during a master's degree or higher degree program and have been awarded a graduate degree as provided in the regulations, or a post-degree program accredited by the commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education or a regionally accredited institution of high learning subsequent to receiving the graduate degree.	Licensed by SC Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapist and Psycho- Educational Specialists	None Required	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CIS, CM, DA, FS, FP, GP, IP, MFGP, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, TCC, SUD Level of Treatment: II.I, II.5, III.2-D, III.7-D, III.5-R, III.7-R, III.7-RA

Title of Professional	Level of Education/Degree/or Experience Required	License or Certification Required	Supervis ion	Services Able to Provide
Behavior Analyst	Must possess at least a Master's degree, have 225 classroom hours of specific graduate-level coursework, meet experience requirements, and pass the Behavior Analysis Certification Examination	Behavior Analyst Certification Board	None Required	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CM, DA**, FS, FP*, GP*, IP*, MFGP*, TCC, CIS, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, SUD Level of Treatment: II.I, II.5, III.2-D, III.7-D, III.5-R, III.7-R, III.7-RA
Licensed Addictions Counselor (LAC)	Master's degree or higher (48 graduate hours) in addictions counseling, social work, family therapy, psychology, or other human services field, with 6 hours Substance Use Disorder/Addiction Specific Coursework, and a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) hours of supervision by a licensed addictions counselor supervisor or other qualified licensed mental health practitioner approved by the SC licensing board.	Licensed by South Carolina Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, Addictions Counselors and Psycho- Educational Specialists	None Required	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CIS, CM, DA, FS, FP, GP, IP, MFGP, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, TCC
Certified Substance Abuse Professional	Master's degree in counseling, social work, family therapy, nursing, psychology, or other human services field, plus 250 hours of approved training related to the core functions and certification as an addictions specialist	SC Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors Certification Commission and/or NAADAC Association for Addiction Professionals	None required	ADA, ADS BMod, BHS, CM, DA**, FS, FP*, GP*, IP*, MFGP*, TCC, CIS, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, SUD Level of Treatment: II.I, II.5, III.2-D, III.7-D, III.5-R, III.7-R, III.7-RA

Title of Professional	Level of Education/Degree/or Experience Required	License or Certification Required	Supervision	Services Able to Provide
Clinical Chaplain	Master of Divinity from an accredited theological seminary and have two years of pastoral experience as a priest, minister, or rabbi and one year of clinical pastoral education that includes a provision for supervised clinical services and one year of experience working with the population to be served	Documentation of training and experience	None required	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CM, DA**, FS, FP*, GP*, IP*, MFGP*, TCC, CIS, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, SUD Level of Treatment: II.I, II.5, III.2-D, III.7-D, III.5-R, III.7-R, III.7-RA
Mental Health Professional (MHP)	Master's or doctoral degree from a program that is primarily psychological in nature (e.g., counseling, guidance, or social science equivalent) from an accredited university or college and one year of experience working with the population to be served	DHHS-approved credentialing program	None required	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CM, DA**, FS, FP*, GP*, IP*, MFGP*, TCC, CIS, PRS, SPD, SAC, ST, SUD Level of Treatment: II.1, II.5, III.2-D, III.7-D, III.5-R, III.7-R, III.7-RA
Substance Abuse Professional (SAP)	Bachelor's degree in a health or human services related field and certification as a certified addiction counselor or in the process of becoming SCAADAC credentialed or be certified by SCAADAC	SC Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors Certification Commission	Under the supervision of a master's level clinical professional or licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA)	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CM, FS, TCC, CIS, PRS, SAC, ST
Licensed Bachelor of Social Work (LBSW)	Bachelor's degree in social work. Baccalaureate social work is practiced only in organized settings such as social, medical, or governmental agencies and may not be practiced independently or privately.	Licensed by SC Board of Social Work Examiners	Under the supervision of a master's level clinical professional or licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA)	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CM, FS, TCC, CIS, PRS, SAC, ST, SPD

Title of Professional	Level of Education/Degree/or Experience Required	License or Certification Required	Supervision	Services Able to Provide
Behavior Analyst	A board certified associate behavior analyst must have at least a bachelor's degree, have 135 classroom hours of specific coursework, meet experience requirements, and pass the Associate Behavior Analyst Certification Examination.	Behavior Analyst Certification Board	Under the supervision of a master's level clinical professional or licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA)	ADA, ADS, BMod, BHS, CM, FS, TCC, CIS, PRS, SAC, ST
Licensed Registered Nurse (RN)	At a minimum, an associate's degree in nursing from a Board-approved nursing education program and one year of experience working with the population to be served	Licensed by SC Board of Nursing	Under the supervision of an APRN or licensed physician.	ADA, ADN, BMod, FS, MM, TCC, CIS, PRS, MA, ST
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	Completion of an accredited program of nursing approved by the Board of Nursing and one year of experience working with the population to be served, High school diploma or GED equivalent.	Licensed by SC Board of Nursing	Under the supervision of an APRN, RN, licensed physician, or other practitioner authorized by law to supervise LPN practice.	ADS, ADN, BMod, FS, MM, TCC, CIS, PRS, MA, ST
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Child Service Professional	Bachelor's degree from an accredited university of college in psychology, social work, early childhood education, child development or a related field or bachelor's degree in another field and has a minimum of 45 documented training hours related to child development and children's mental health issues and treatment.	None Required	Under the supervision of a master's level clinical professional or licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA)	BMod, BHS, CM, FS, TCC, CIS, PRS, SAC, ST, ADA, ADS, (Assist with developing the SPD)
Mental Health Specialist	At a minimum, a high school diploma or GED equialent and have three years of documented direct care experience working with the identified target population or completion of an approved 30 hour training and certification program	DHHS-approved Certification program	Under the supervision of a master's level clinical professional or licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA)	PRS, BMod, FS, ST, TFC

Title of Professional	Level of Education/Degree/or Experience Required	License or Certification Required	Supervision	Services Able to Provide
Substance Abuse Specialist	At a minimum, a high school diploma or GED equivalent and have three years of documented direct care experience working with the identified target population or completion of an approved training and certification program	DHHS-approved Certification program	Under the supervison of a master's level clinical professional or licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA)	PRS, BMod, FS, ST
Peer Support Specialist	High school diploma or GED equivalent peer support providers must successfully complete a pre-certification program that consists of 40 hours of training. The curriculum must include the following topics: recovery goal setting; wellness recovery plans, problem solving; person centered services; and advocacy. Additionally, peer support providers must complete a minimum of 20 hours of continuing education training annually, of which at least 12 hours must be face-to-face training.	Certification as a Peer Support Specialist	Under the supervision of a master's level clinical professional or licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA)	PSS

^{*}Private Service Providers (non-governmental) who are not licensed at the independent level may not provide these services unless under the supervision of an independently licensed professional.

^{**}Private Service Providers must be licensed at the independent level in order to conduct a diagnostic assessment

Attachment 3.1-A Limitation Supplement Page 6c.31

Supervision Requirements

Rehabilitative behavioral health services provided by licensed/certified professionals must follow supervision requirements as required by SC State Law for each respective profession. Rehabilitative behavioral health services provided by any para-professionals must be supervised by a master's level clinical professional or licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA). Any Master's level clinical professional performing a service that requires a masters degree, not licensed at the independent level must be supervised by an LPHA licensed at the independent level. Substance Abuse Professionals who are in the process of becoming credentialed must be supervised by a Certified Substance Abuse Professional or LPHA.

REHABILITATIVE SERVICE FOR PRIMARY CARE ENHANCEMENT

- A. Definition of Service Rehabilitative Services for Primary Care Enhancement (RSPCE) are face-to-face counseling and health management interventions provided to reduce physical or psycho-social deterioration of a diagnosed medical condition and to restore an individual to his or her best possible functional level. A primary care physician (PCP) or other appropriate practitioner (i.e., nurse practitioner, physician assistant) must approve the plan of care. RSPCE are indicated if the beneficiary:
 - Fails to attain an optimal level of health within the primary care delivery continuum
 - Enters into the primary health care continuum with an advance degree of disease/condition as evident by clinical evaluation and documentation

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PROVIDER TYPE	EDUCATIONAL LEVEL
Licensed Addictions Counselor	Masters Level
Clinical Chaplain	Masters Level
Mental Health Professional (MHP)	Masters Level
Behavior Analyst- Masters Level	Masters Level
Licensed Bachelor of Social Work (LBSW)	Bachelors Level
Substance Abuse Specialist	Bachelors Level
Behavior Analyst- Bachelors Level	Bachelors Level
Certified Substance Abuse Professional (SAP)	Bachelors Level
Child Service Professional	Bachelors Level
Mental Health Specialist	High School Level
Peer Support Specialist (PSS)	High School Level

- As a result of the above methodology, annual compensation amounts were determined for the following provider types and educational levels: Psychiatrist, Physician, Pharmacist, Psychologist, Physician Assistant, Advanced Practical Registered Nurse, Registered Nurse, Licensed Practical Nurse, Masters Level, Bachelors Level, and High School Level.
- Next, the Medicaid Agency determined the maximum number of billing hours that could be anticipated for each provider type for each billable service. Assuming a billing productivity factor of 50%, the maximum number of billing hours for each provider type was calculated to be 975 hours. The calculation is as follows - 37.5 hours per week x 52 weeks x 50% = 975 hours.
- Next, the annual compensation amounts determined in (1) above are divided by the maximum number of billable hours as determined in (2) above to arrive at an hourly billing compensation rate for each provider type.
- 3. Next, the initial hourly billing compensation rate for each provider type as identified in (3) above is increased by 30% to take into account the cost of fringe benefits. The fringe benefit allocation percentage is representative of state government fringe benefit allowances.
- 4. Next, once the initial hourly billing compensation rate is increased by the fringe benefit allowance of 30% as determined in (4) above, it is multiplied by an indirect cost rate of 10% to arrive at an adjusted hourly billing rate by provider type. An indirect rate is applied to compensate the provider for overhead costs.

The bundled service procedure codes and its successor codes may be subject to change in the future due to unit measurement conversions and/or elimination/replacement of procedure codes. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers. The agency's fee schedule rate was set as of February 1, 2013 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. Effective January 1, 2022, rates for procedure codes H0011 and H0015 were increased by fifteen percent (15%) to take into account inflationary trends. All rates are published at the following SCDHHS website address: https://www.scdhhs.gov/resource/fee-schedules.

In order for the Medicaid Agency to monitor the adequacy of and/or update the bundled rates for future reimbursement periods, the providers of bundled services will be required to maintain the following data:

- The utilization of the individual covered services included in the bundled payment by practitioner and;
- The cost by practitioner and type of service delivered under the bundled rate.

In order to price the cost of each type of service by practitioner, the provider has the option to use the SC Medicaid discrete service rates if actual cost of each service provided under the bundled rate by practitioner is unavailable.

Providers will be required to report this data on an annual basis.

Discrete Rehabilitative Services-Substance Abuse and Addictive Disorders

As a result of the SC Medicaid Agency's decision to bundle certain discrete services into bundled rehabilitative service rates effective February 1, 2013, the rehabilitative fee schedule rates currently in effect for all rehabilitative providers were reevaluated, resulting in the following discrete rehabilitative service rates:

Description	Procedure Code	Description	Procedure Code
Psychiatric Diagnostic Evaluation with Medical Services	90792	Mental Health Service Plan Development by Non-Physician w/Client	H0032-HF
Psychological Test Administration/Scoring, Initial Hour	96130	Group Psychotherapy	90853
Psychological Test Administration/Scoring, Additional Hour	96131	Alcohol and Drug/Substance Abuse Counseling -Individual	H0004
Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Administration/Scoring (two or more), Initial 30 minutes	96136	Alcohol and Drug/Substance Abuse Counseling - Group	H0005
Psychological or Neuropsychological Test Administration/Scoring (two or more), Additional 30 minutes	96137	Medication Management	H0034
Alcohol and Drug Assessment – Initial - w/o Physical	H0001	Crisis Management	H2011
Alcohol and Drug Assessment – Follow-up - w/o Physical	H0001/TS	Family Support	S9482
Alcohol and Drug - Nursing Services	H0001/U2	Peer Support Service	H0038
Alcohol and/or Substance Abuse Structured screening and brief intervention services	99408	Psychosocial Rehabilitation Service	H2017

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APPROVAL Date: 07/01/23 APPROVAL Date: 10/25/23 SUPERSEDES: SC 22-0001 Effective January 1, 2022, rates for procedure codes H0001 and H0004 were increased by fifteen percent (15%) to take into account inflationary trends. Effective January 1, 2022, procedure code H0038 will increase to \$10.74, and the group code modifier (HQ) will increase to \$1.79.

Effective July 1, 2023, rates for the following procedure codes were increased to take into account inflationary trends: 90792, 90833, 90836, 96372, 99203-AF, 99213-AF, H0038, H0038-HQ, S9482. All rates are published at the following SCDHHS website address: https://www.scdhhs.gov/providers/fee-schedules.

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