



# MONTANA HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS NOTICE

**December 27, 2021**

## **All State Approved Substance Use Disorder Programs**

### **Effective Immediately**

#### **Clarification For Outpatient Treatment Providers**

The Department made changes to the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) in February 2021 for substance use disorder (SUD) state approval with the intent to distinguish between outpatient treatment providers and SUD treatment facilities.

Licensed Addictions Counselors (LACs) in private practice may only be state approved as an outpatient treatment provider under [ARM 37.27.107](#).

Individual LACs who are state approved as outpatient treatment providers can only be reimbursed for SUD outpatient (OP) therapy using appropriate common procedural terminology (CPT) codes. Refer to the policy for ASAM 1.0 in the [AMDD Medicaid Services Provider Manual](#).

Only SUD treatment facilities staffed with the appropriate professionals from multiple disciplines can offer other SUD treatment services (ASAM 2.1 and above), as described in the [AMDD Medicaid Services Provider Manual](#).

#### **Contact Information**

If you have questions, please contact Rena Steyaert, Medicaid Waiver and State Plan Program Officer, Addictive and Mental Health Disorders Division Program Officer, at (406) 444-4926 or [Rena.Steyaert@mt.gov](mailto:Rena.Steyaert@mt.gov) or Isaac Coy, SUD Program Manager, Addictive & Mental Disorders Division, at (406) 444-7922 or [ICoy@mt.gov](mailto:ICoy@mt.gov).

For claims questions or additional information, contact Montana Provider Relations at (800) 624-3958 or (406) 442-1837 or email [Montana Provider Relations Helpdesk](#).

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