

January 28, 2008

Montana Medicaid Notice

Federally Qualified Health Clinics, Rural Health Clinics, Psychiatrists, Physicians, Mid-Level Practitioners, Lab and X-Ray

Expansion of Provider Types for the Mental Health Services Plan

Beginning February 1, 2008, the Addictive and Mental Disorders Division will implement an expansion of the Mental Health Services Plan. The additional provider types will be able to bill on a fee-for-service basis for diagnostic and medication management services, including labs, for the treatment of symptoms of mental illness. These services may be provided to adults enrolled in the Mental Health Services Plan. These provider types are:

- Federally Qualified Health Clinics (provider type 56)
- Rural Health Clinics (provider type 55)
- Psychiatrists (provider type 65)
- Physicians (provider type 27)
- Mid-Level Practitioners (provider type 44)
- Lab and X-Ray (provider type 40)

The Mental Health Services Plan covers outpatient mental health treatment and medication for adults with Severe Disabling Mental Illness, with eligibility determinations currently made by the Community Mental Health Centers. For eligibility determination forms and process, please contact the Mental Health Services Bureau at (406) 444-3964 or e-mail dsanchez@mt.gov.

Providers must have a signed Mental Health Services Plan Addendum on file with their Montana's Healthcare Programs enrollment. The addendum can be found at www.mtmedicaid.org. Providers can also call Provider Relations at (800) 624-3958 to confirm an addendum is in place. For a list of the codes that may be billed, please contact the Mental Health Services Bureau at (406) 444-3964 or e-mail dsanchez@mt.gov.

The claims processing system will not be updated to allow processing of your claims until the end of February. You may choose to wait until March 1, 2008, to submit MHSP claims for the above services. If you choose to submit claims prior to March 1, these claims will suspend until the end of February and appear on your remittance advices with the reason code 133. Once the system enhancement is implemented for this project, the claims will be released for processing. The Department opted to suspend these claims rather than deny so providers would not have to resubmit after March 1, 2008.

Contact Information

For claims questions or additional information, contact Provider Relations:

Provider Relations toll-free in- and out-of-state: 1-800-624-3958

Helena: (406) 442-1837

Visit the Provider Information website:

<http://www.mtmedicaid.org>