



# MONTANA HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS NOTICE

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## Mental Health Centers, Program of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) Teams

### Medicaid Reimbursement for PACT Teams

Montana Medicaid has received numerous questions about PACT billing. AMDD is not making any changes to existing policy or practice; this notice is intended to be informational only.

#### 1. Service Intensity

PACT is 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year service in all settings except jails, detention centers, and inpatient hospital settings. PACT service reimbursement is a daily per diem rate with the following standards and rules:

- A PACT team can bill the per diem rate for a noncontact day if the member received three face-to-face contacts within that week.
- If the member did not receive three face-to-face contacts in a week, the PACT team can only bill the per diem rate for the face-to-face contact days.

#### 2. Concurrent PACT Services and Medicaid Reimbursement

PACT service reimbursement is not allowed on the day(s) a member received any of the services listed below, as well as nursing home care and county detention centers:

- (a) Acute Inpatient Hospital;
- (b) Partial Hospital Program;
- (c) Intensive Community Based Rehabilitation;
- (d) Crisis Stabilization Program;
- (e) Adult Group Home;
- (f) Adult Foster Care;
- (g) Dialectical Behavioral Therapy;
- (h) Mental Health Outpatient Therapy;
- (i) Community Based Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Support;
- (j) Illness Management and Recovery; and
- (k) Behavioral Health Targeted Case Management.

The PACT per diem rate is not reimbursable by Medicaid when they are concurrent with the above services despite meeting all of the PACT contact requirements for the week.

#### Contact Information

If you have any questions, please contact:

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