



# MONTANA HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS NOTICE

**December 9, 2021**

## **Mental Health Centers**

**Effective January 1, 2021**

**CMHB Update**

### **Temporary Medicaid Youth Mental Health IOP Services**

Retroactively effective January 1, 2021, Mental Health Centers are able to temporarily provide Intensive Outpatient Psychiatric (IOP) to youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED). IOP services provide structured intensive mental health care to youth with SED over a period of eight weeks while allowing youth to safely remain in school, in the home, and in their community.

To view the manual addendum effective January 1, 2022, which contains the description and requirements of IOP services, please see the Children's Mental Health Medicaid Services Provider Manual on the Children's Mental Health Bureau website, <https://dphhs.mt.gov/dsd/CMB/Manuals>.

The temporary fee schedule for IOP services has been published on the Mental Health Center web page on the [Montana Healthcare Programs Provider website](#) under the Fee Schedule – Medicaid Mental Health Youth Under 18 pane.

**PLEASE NOTE: This code is only billable by Mental Health Centers and is billable retroactively to January 1, 2021.**

This is in accordance with the manual addendum to the Children's Mental Health Medicaid Services Provider Manual that allowed for the availability of IOP services during the statewide emergency declared in Executive Orders 2-2020 and 3-2020. These services will be available through the remainder of the COVID-19 epidemic.

### **Contact Information**

For questions regarding this change, please contact Children's Mental Health Bureau Program Officer Brittany Craig by email at [brittany.craig@mt.gov](mailto:brittany.craig@mt.gov) or by phone at (406) 444-6018.

For claims questions or additional information, contact Montana Provider Relations at (800) 624-3958 or (406) 442-1837 or email [MTPRHelpdesk@conduent.com](mailto:MTPRHelpdesk@conduent.com).

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