



Subject: Behavioral Health Provider Integration

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****IMPORTANT UPDATE****

Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Code Changes Effective January 1, 2013 and Updating the Diagnosis Edit for the Mental Health Crisis Intervention Service

The American Medical Association (AMA) has announced significant changes to the coding and billing of psychiatric services that will be implemented for services provided on and after January 1, 2013. These coding changes will impact the way in which Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs) manage their workflow, provide services to clients and bill payers for those services.

In partnership with the Ohio Office of Medical Assistance, the Ohio Department of Mental Health (ODMH) has analyzed the AMA changes and considered their impact on behavioral health services, providers and consumers. The most significant change we have identified is the elimination of codes 90801, used by CMHCs for diagnostic assessments by a physician, and 90862, used by CMHCs for pharmacologic management. **For claims submitted to Ohio Medicaid for services provided on and after January 1, 2013, the codes 90801 and 90862 will be replaced (respectively) with 90792 (Psychiatric Diagnostic Evaluation with Medical Service) and 90863 (Pharmacologic Management including Prescription and Review of Medication).**

Ohio Mental Health Service Coding Changes:

Mental Health Service	Code for DOS prior to January 1, 2013	Code for DOS on and after January 1, 2013
Diagnostic Assessment by a Physician	90801	90792
Pharmacologic Management	90862	90863

Please keep in mind that this code transition is ONLY applicable to Ohio’s Medicaid program. CMHCs are still responsible for appropriately billing other payers per their coding directives related to 90801 and 90862. It is especially important to adhere to Medicare billing guidance since CMHCs are responsible to appropriately bill Medicare prior to billing Ohio Medicaid in the instance of dual eligibles.

We understand that this is a small step in coding reform for Ohio’s publicly funded behavioral health services. ODMH, ODADAS and OMA will continue working in partnership over the upcoming months to support aligning Ohio’s community behavioral health system with the broader health care system in support of full integration of physical and behavioral health.

MITS is also being reconfigured to allow payment of the mental health crisis intervention service when the billing diagnosis is of a substance use disorder nature. All diagnosis codes listed in the table here: http://jfs.ohio.gov/OHP/tradingpartners/pdfs/mits_icd9_dx_codes_by_mits_6_15_02_1.pdf will support payment of the MH Crisis Intervention service. This reconfiguration is independent of the date of service on the claim.

If you have questions, please contact the MITS provider support line at 1-800-686-1516.