

# **NORTH DAKOTA MEDICAID COVERAGE OF ASAM 3.2/3.7 AND BUNDLED MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT (MAT)**

# AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ADDICTION MEDICINE (ASAM) LEVELS 3.2 AND 3.7

- For dates of service on or after October 1, 2020, North Dakota Medicaid is adding coverage of ASAM levels 3.2 and 3.7.
- Level 3.2 covers clinically managed residential withdrawal management services.
  - North Dakota facilities that are currently licensed to provide level 3.2 services: <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/pubs/docs/mhsa/asam-level-3-2d-social-detoxification.pdf>.
- Level 3.7 covers medically monitored intensive inpatient treatment services.
  - North Dakota facilities that are currently licensed to provide level 3.7 services: <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/pubs/docs/mhsa/asam-level-3-7-adult-intensive-inpatient.pdf>.

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- Federal Institution for Mental Diseases (IMD) exclusion continues to apply.
- Medicaid payment is generally not available for services provided to individuals' ages 21 through 64 who are patients in residential and inpatient treatment facilities that qualify as IMDs. An IMD is defined in section 1905(i) of the Social Security Act (SSA) as a “hospital, nursing facility, or other institution of more than 16 beds, that is primarily engaged in providing diagnosis, treatment, or care of persons with mental diseases, including medical attention, nursing care, and related services.”
- Under section 1905(a) of the SSA, there is a general prohibition on Medicaid payment for any services provided to any individual under age 65 who resides in an IMD.<sup>16</sup> This is commonly known as the “IMD exclusion.” The IMD exclusion applies to any care or services provided inside or outside of the facility to a Medicaid beneficiary residing in an IMD.

# ASAM 3.2 AND 3.7 PROVIDER QUALIFICATIONS AND ENROLLMENT WITH ND MEDICAID

- Providers with locations in North Dakota must be licensed under North Dakota Administrative Code 75-09.1. Licensing is done by the DHS Behavioral Health Division.
- Providers with locations outside of North Dakota must be licensed by the appropriate state licensing body and attest that their license is equivalent to a North Dakota license issued under NDAC 75-09.1.
- Providers who are already enrolled with ND Medicaid to provide ASAM services must submit their ASAM 3.2 and/or 3.7 license in order to provide ASAM 3.2 and/or 3.7 services to North Dakota Medicaid members. Requests to add ASAM 3.2 and/or 3.7 enrollment to a provider's enrollment file should be sent to [dhsenrollment@nd.gov](mailto:dhsenrollment@nd.gov), along with the specific action being requested (add 3.2 and/or 3.7) and the provider's Medicaid ID number.

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- Providers who are newly enrolling with North Dakota Medicaid to provide ASAM services will need to complete all new provider enrollment paperwork that is specific to SUD treatment providers.
- The group provider checklist for SUD treatment programs is on page 45 of <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/docs/group-provider-checklists-pe.pdf>. The group provider specialty (364 – Rehabilitation, Substance Use Disorder) and taxonomy (261QR0405X) for ASAM 3.2 and 3.7 services are the same as for the other ASAM levels.
- Individual provider checklists are at <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/provider-enroll-individual.html>.
- Note that all providers except LACs, LAPCs, LBSWs, PTs and RNs should use the General Individual Practitioner checklist. LACs, LAPCs, LBSWs, PTs and RNs have their own checklists.

# ASAM 3.2 AND 3.7 CODES AND FEES

- The code and fee schedule for SUD treatment services is at <https://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/provider-fee-schedules.html> (see SUD treatment services fee schedule).

# METHADONE COVERAGE

- Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2020, ND Medicaid is covering methadone treatment for members with opioid use disorders. See the policy and coverage guidelines at <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/docs/mat-policy.pdf>.

# Questions?