



**Louisiana Department of Health
Informational Bulletin 25-31
Revised November 5, 2025**

ASAM Criteria 4th Edition Service Updates and Rate Revisions

During the 2025 Regular Legislative Session, the Louisiana Legislature appropriated funding to support a rate increase for substance use disorder service providers. The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) will implement this increase by adopting new rates developed by LDH’s third-party actuaries, in alignment with the **4th Edition of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Criteria, OR by maintaining the temporary 25% rate increase** implemented in State Fiscal Year 2025 (effective October 1, 2024), **whichever is higher**.

ASAM 4th Edition changes will be effective January 1, 2026 for beneficiaries who are 18 or older. Louisiana Medicaid has updated the Specialized Behavioral Health Services (SBHS) fee schedule to reflect the changes in rates and services.

Note: Room and Board rates have been removed from the SBHS fee schedule as these are not State Plan services and are payable at the discretion of the managed care organization (MCO). The changes are shown below. **Red text** indicates fields that have been changed and **strikethrough text** indicates fields that will be removed.

Code	Description	Modifier	Unit	Age	Master's Level (HO)	Bachelor's Level (HN)	Less than Bachelor's (HM)	Other Per Diem
H0001	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG ASSESSMENT - Effective 1/1/2026</u>		Visit	0-17	\$81.59	\$67.95	\$54.30	
H0001	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG ASSESSMENT - Effective 1/1/2026</u>		Visit	18+	\$81.59	\$79.81	\$78.03	
H0004	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - INDIVIDUAL - Effective 1/1/2026</u>		15 min	0-17	\$17.66	\$15.97	\$14.28	
H0004	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - INDIVIDUAL - Effective 1/1/2026</u>		15 min	18+	\$18.57	\$16.80	\$15.02	
H0005	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - GROUP (PER PERSON) - Effective 1/1/2026</u>	HQ	Visit	0-17	\$11.54	\$9.84	\$8.15	
H0005	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - GROUP (PER PERSON) - Effective 1/1/2026</u>	HQ	Visit	18+	\$11.54	\$11.03	\$10.51	
H0005	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - FAMILY (PER FAMILY MEMBER) - Effective 1/1/2026</u>	HR or HS	Visit	0-17	\$26.91	\$22.98	\$19.04	
H0005	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - FAMILY (PER FAMILY MEMBER) - Effective 1/1/2026</u>	HR or HS		18+	\$26.91	\$25.52	\$24.12	
H0011	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - ACUTE DETOX 3.7-WM - Effective 1/1/2026</u>	TG	Day	21+				\$425.61
H0011	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - ACUTE DETOX 3.7-WM ROOM AND BOARD	SE	Day	21+				\$43.50
H0012	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - SUBACUTE DETOX 3.2-WM ROOM AND BOARD	SE	Day	21+				\$17.85
H0014	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - AMBULATORY DETOX 2.7 - Effective 1/1/2026</u>		Day	0+				\$202.38
H0015	<u>ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT 2.1 GROUP - Effective 1/1/2026</u>		Day	0+	\$180.00	\$150.00	\$120.00	

Code	Description	Modifier	Unit	Age	Master's Level (HO)	Bachelor's Level (HN)	Less than Bachelor's (HM)	Other Per Diem
H0019	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LONG TERM RESIDENTIAL - 3.3 - Effective 10/1/24	HF	Day	21+				\$104.38
H0019	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LONG TERM RESIDENTIAL - 3.3 ROOM AND BOARD	SE, HF	Day	21+				\$21.50
H2034	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - HALFWAY HOUSE 3.1 - Effective 10/1/2024		Day	0-17				\$75.19
H2034	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - HALFWAY HOUSE 3.1 - Effective 1/1/2026		Day	18+				\$120.26
H2034	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - HALFWAY HOUSE 3.1 (PRENATAL/POST PARTUM) - Effective 1/1/2026	TH	Day	18-59				\$150.55
H2034	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES - HALFWAY HOUSE 3.1 ROOM AND BOARD	SE	Day	21+				\$14.70
H2036	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM - 3.5 - Effective 10/1/24		Day	0-17				\$265.59
H2036	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM - 3.5 - Effective 1/1/2026		Day	18+				\$303.67
H2036	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM - 3.5 ROOM AND BOARD	SE	Day	21+				\$21.62
H2036	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM - 3.5 (PRENATAL/POST PARTUM) - Effective 10/1/24	TH	Day	10-17				\$265.59
H2036	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM - 3.5 (PRENATAL/POST PARTUM) - Effective 1/1/2026	TH	Day	18-59				\$364.24
H2036	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM - 3.7 - Effective 10/1/24 1/1/2026	TG	Day	21+ 18+				\$404.13
H2036	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM - 3.7 ROOM AND BOARD	SE, TG	Day	21+				\$56.26

Each MCO must update their claims processing systems to properly adjudicate ASAM services at the new rates and within the new age brackets as applicable, **within 90 days of the date of this Informational Bulletin.**

MCOs shall recycle any claims that were not paid according to these changes for any claims with dates of service on or after January 1, 2026, **within 15 days of implementing the system changes.**

MCOs shall also notify providers of their process and timeline for implementing the changes as well as their plan to recycle impacted claims. Questions regarding managed care claims processing, billing guidance and prior authorization should be directed to the appropriate MCO.

The chart excerpt from the Specialized Behavioral Health Services Fee Schedule is for informational purposes only. Please refer to the link above for the most current fee schedule on file.

Questions regarding this Informational Bulletin may be sent to Cindy Casarez at Cindy.Casarez2@la.gov.