

## PROVIDER ALERT

Reimbursement Rate Adjustments, Effective July 1, 2022 May 1, 2022

**Alert Summary:** This provider alert is to advise you of Idaho Medicaid-approved reimbursement rate increases of 15% to certain services on the Optum fee schedule, a rate decrease of 10% for Partial Hospitalization Program (H0035) and retirement of the Telehealth Transmission Code (T1014) fee, all effective July 1, 2022.

## Dear Provider.

In a continued effort to support members and providers, Optum Idaho continually looks for ways to improve the provider experience based on feedback received from the annual Provider Satisfaction Survey, monthly Provider Advisory Committee meetings and daily interactions we have with the provider community. Additionally, Optum Idaho routinely works with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's Division of Medicaid to conduct analysis of provider reimbursement rates for the services covered by the Idaho Behavioral Health Plan (IBHP). As a result of this ongoing collaboration, the Division of Medicaid has approved adjustments to 12 behavioral health service reimbursement rates, including 10 reimbursement increases, the retirement of one billing code and the decrease of one billing code, all effective July 1, 2022. This provider alert serves as 60-day advance notice of these plan changes.

The revised Fee Schedule reflecting these changes is below. Please note that these increases impact all provider types represented on the Fee Schedule. Service definitions and medical necessity requirements can be found in the <a href="Optum Idaho IBHP Provider Manual">Optum Idaho IBHP Provider Manual</a> and <a href="Level of Care Guidelines">Level of Care Guidelines</a>, respectively, located on OptumIdaho.com > For Network Providers > <a href="Guidelines">Guidelines</a> & <a href="Policies">Policies</a>.

CPT	Description	Rate Adjustment
90791	Psychiatric Diagnostic Evaluation; Comprehensive	15% Increase
	Diagnostic Assessment	
90832	Psychotherapy, 30 minutes	15% Increase
90834	Psychotherapy, 45 minutes	15% Increase
90846	Family Psychotherapy, without patient present	15% Increase
90847	Family Psychotherapy, with patient present	15% Increase
90853	Group Psychotherapy	15% Increase
H0001	Individual Assessment and Treatment Plan - Substance Use	15% Increase
H0004	Individual Counseling - Substance Use	15% Increase
H0005	Group Counseling - Substance Use	15% Increase
H0035	Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP) – Including Rev	10% Decrease
	Codes 912 and 913	
T1014	Telehealth Transmission Fee	Retired

Providers will receive the updated fee schedule with these adjustments in the July 1, 2022, Provider Alert. Achievement in Clinical Excellence (ACE) providers will receive their fee schedules via email from their regional Provider Relations Advocate.

The Telehealth Transmission Code fee (T1014) is being retired July 1, 2022, and will no longer be an additional reimbursable code for telehealth services delivered from that date forward. This code was implemented to encourage the embracement of telehealth services within the IBHP's network of providers, and we are pleased to report that in Optum's 2021 Provider Satisfaction Survey, 93% of Idaho Medicaid providers reported utilization of telehealth to deliver behavioral health services. Therefore, it was determined this code is no longer needed to encourage the adoption of telehealth delivery. Services delivered via telehealth will continue to be reimbursed at the same rate as if they were rendered inperson. We support the ongoing efforts for services to be rendered via telehealth depending upon the provider and member's needs and as outlined in the Provider Manual.

Optum Idaho is committed to working with providers and the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to routinely review provider reimbursement rates and administrative processes to help ensure we continue to advance the Idaho Behavioral Health Care system.

Please contact your Provider Relations Advocate or email <u>optum\_idaho\_network@optum.com</u>, if you have any questions.

Thank you,

The Optum Idaho Team