

Drug & Alcohol Services

Procedure/Service Codes

SmartCare Procedure Name	Procedure Code Detail	Billing Information Minimum Time to Claim One Unit	Definition/More Information	Disciplines
Screening/Assessment Services				
SUD Screening	Alcohol and/or drug screening, 15 Mins (H0049)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	Screening to determine the appropriate services for an individual seeking treatment.	Prescribers, BH Clinicians, AOD Counselors Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, LPCC, AOD
SUD Assessment	Alcohol or Drug Assessment, 15 Mins (H0001)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use to determine the ASAM Criteria. • Assessment may be initial and periodic. • May include contact with family members or other collaterals if the purpose of the collateral's participation is to focus on the treatment needs of the beneficiary. 	Prescribers, BH Clinicians, AOD Counselors Detail: MD/DO, Pharma, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, LPCC, AOD
Case Management Services				
Targeted Case Management (TCM/ICC)	Targeted Case Management, 15 Mins (T1017)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used for SUD case management/care coordination. • Coordination with primary care and mental health care providers to monitor and support comorbid health conditions. • Ancillary services, including 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Pharma, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC, AOD, RN, LVN/LPT

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			individualized connection, referral, and linkages to community-based services and supports including but not limited to educational, social, prevocational, vocational, housing, nutritional, criminal justice, transportation, childcare, child development, family/marriage education, and mutual aid support groups.	
Report Generation for Care Coordination	Preparation of report of patient's psychiatric status, history, treatment, or progress (other than for legal or consultative purpose) for other individuals, agencies, or insurance carriers, 15 Minutes (90889)	Min Time: 8 Min Billed: Code is Not Extended Past 15 Min Billing: Claims 1 Unit if 8 Min of Service Provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An LPHA can use this code for writing a Treatment Court Report (not a legal court report, ex. Return to Court report). A medical staff member (LVN/LPT, RN) can use this code to document preparing reports for other individuals, agencies, etc. for the purposes of care coordination (not for legal purposes). 	Prescribers, BH Clinicians Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, LPCC, LVN/LPT
Individual Counseling Services				
Individual Counseling	Behavioral Health Counseling and Therapy, 15 minutes (H0004)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes contacts with the client. Individual Counseling can also include contact with other family members or other collaterals for the purpose if the purpose of the collateral's participation is to focus on the 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, AOD

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			treatment needs of the client by supporting the achievement of the beneficiary's treatment goals.	
Psychoeducation	Psychoeducational Service, per 15 minutes (H2027)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes providing information regarding mental illness and substance abuse. Teaches problem-solving, communication, and coping skills to support recovery and resilience. 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC, AOD
Client Education	Skills training and development, per 15 minutes (H2014)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use for Patient Education Services. Education for the client on addiction, treatment, recovery and associated health risks. Treatment planning is a service activity that consists of development and updates to documentation needed to plan and address the client's needs, planned interventions, and to address and monitor a client's progress and restoration to their best possible functional level. 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC, AOD
Family Therapy—client not present	Family Psychotherapy (Conjoint psychotherapy without Patient Present), 50 minutes	Min Time: 26 Billed: If service extends beyond 58 mins, T2021 can be billed (therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family members are included in the treatment process, provided with education about factors that are important to the client's recovery as well as 	Prescribers, BH Clinicians Detail: PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC

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	(90846)	<p>substitute)</p> <p>Billing: Claims 1 Unit if 26 Min of Service Provided</p>	<p>the holistic recovery of the family system.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family members can provide social support to the client and help motivate their loved one to remain in treatment. Utilized when the client is <u>not</u> present. Based on clinical judgment, the client is not present during the service, but the service is for the direct benefit of the client. 	
Family Therapy— client present	<p>Family Psychotherapy (Conjoint psychotherapy with Patient Present), 26-50 minutes (90847) Add-on Code G2212 can be used to document a Family Psychotherapy service that goes beyond 50 minutes (G2212 is in 15 minutes increments). SmartCare will automatically add these add on codes if staff enter time longer than the procedure code's maximum.</p>	<p>Min Time: 26 Billed: If service extends beyond 58 mins, T2021 can be billed (therapy substitute)</p> <p>Billing: Claims 1 Unit if 26 Min of Service Provided</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilized when the client <u>is</u> present. 	Prescribers, BH Clinicians Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC

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Family/Couple Counseling	Alcohol and/or substance abuse services, family/couple counseling (T1006)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alcohol and/or substance abuse services provided with a family/couple. 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC, AOD
Crisis Services				
SUD Crisis Intervention	Alcohol and/or drug services; crisis intervention (outpatient) (H0007)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUD Crisis means an actual relapse or an unforeseen event or circumstance, which presents to the client an imminent threat of relapse. If client is experiencing thoughts/risks such as Danger to Self, Danger to Others, or Grave Disability, use this procedure code and document in the service note to how the safety concerns are connected to the client's SUD (ex. risk of relapse, safety concerns intensified due to substance use). Services should focus on alleviating the crisis problem, be limited to the stabilization of the client's immediate situation and be provided in the least intensive level of care that is medically necessary to treat their condition. 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, AOD, RN, LVN/LPT

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Group Counseling Services				
Group Counseling	Alcohol and/or drug services; group counseling by a clinician, 15 minutes (H0005)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Face-to-face contacts in which one or more therapist or counselors treat two or more clients at the same time with a maximum of 12 in the group, focusing on the needs of the individuals served. 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC, AOD
Multiple-Family Group Psychotherapy	Multiple-Family Group Psychotherapy, 84 minutes (90849)	Min Time: 43 Min Billed: If service extends beyond 92 mins, T2021 can be billed (therapy substitute) Billing: Claims 1 Unit if 43 Min of Service Provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family therapy group that includes multiple families. 	Prescribers, BH Clinicians Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC
Consultation/Case Conference Services				
Medical Team Conference, Participation by Physician. Pt and/or Family Not Present	Medical Team Conference with Interdisciplinary Team of HealthCare Professionals, Participation by Physician. Patient and/or Family Not Present, 30 mins or More (99367)	Min Time: 30 Mins (Up to 1440 Mins) Billing: Claims 1 Unit if 30 Min of Service Provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only the DMC-ODS providers directly rendering care to the client can bill for Clinician Consultation. The “consulting” physician cannot bill Clinician Consultation. 	MD/DO

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Team Case Conference with Client/Family Absent	Medical Team Conference with Interdisciplinary Team of Health Care Professionals, Participation by Non-Physician. Patient and/or Family Not Present. 30 Minutes or More (99368)	Min Time: 30 Mins (Up to 1440 Mins) Billing: Claims 1 Unit if 30 Min of Service Provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinicians (LPHA's) consulting with licensed professionals (addiction medicine physicians, addiction psychiatrists, licensed clinicians, or clinical pharmacists to support the provision of care. • Only the DMC-ODS providers directly rendering care to the client can bill for Clinician Consultation. The "consulting" clinician cannot bill clinician Consultation. 	Prescribers, BH Clinicians Detail: MD/DO, Pharma, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, LPCC
Physician-to-Physician Consultation	Inter-Professional Telephone/Internet/Electronic Health Record Assessment Provided by a Consultative Physician, 5-30 Minutes (99451)	Min Time: 5 Minutes (Up to 30 Mins) Billing: Claims 1 Unit if 5 Min of Service Provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only the DMC-ODS providers directly rendering care to the client can bill for Clinician Consultation. The "consulting" clinician cannot bill Clinician Consultation. 	MD/DO
Medical/Medication Services				
Prescriber Assessment E/M (OP) Note	Psychiatric diagnostic evaluation with medical services, 60 minutes (90792)	Min Time: 31 Mins claims 60 Mins Billed: If service extends beyond 68 mins, T2024 can be billed (assessment substitute)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be used for assessment services scheduled with prescribers for new clients. • Code can be used again with an existing client if there is an extended break in services (6 months), for post-PHF appointments, for second opinions, or if there is significant change in mental 	Prescribers Detail: MD/DO, PA, NP

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			status requiring assessment.	
Prescriber Progress E/M (OP)	Office or Other Outpatient Visit (E&M) Established Patient – face to face or telehealth (audio + video) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10-19 min (99212) 20-29 min (99213) 30-39 min (99214) 40-84 min (99215) 	Min Time: 10 Mins Min Time: 20 Mins Min Time: 30 Mins Min Time: 40 Mins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established Patient = Within the last 3 years the individual has received services from the physician or another physician of the same specialty at the county Use for face-to-face or telehealth (audio and video). 	Prescriber Detail: MD/DO, PA, NP
	For a Prolonged Visit, SmartCare with Automatically Add: 99415 and 99416 as appropriate		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is added to the service in the background of SmartCare. 	Prescriber Details: MD/DO, PA, NP Pharma
SUD Screening	Alcohol and/or drug assessment (screening to determine the appropriate services), 15 Mins (H0001)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prescribers to use this procedure code when providing a E/M service via telephone (audio only). 	Prescribers, BH Clinicians, AOD Counselors Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, LPCC, AOD
Medication Training and Support	Medication Training and Support, per 15 minutes (H0034)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medication education, training and support, monitoring/discussing/reviewing side effects. 	Prescriber, RN Detail: MD/DO, PA, Pharma, NP, RN, LVN/LPT

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Lab Specimen Collection	Alcohol and/or drug testing. Collection and handling only, specimens other than blood, 15 min (H0048)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use to document administration of an alcohol and/or other drug testing when collecting and handling specimens other than blood. 	MD/DO, NP, PA, RN, LVN/LPT
Alcohol and/or drug screening, Lab analysis	Alcohol and/or drug screening. Laboratory analysis of specimens for presence of alcohol and/or drugs, 15 mins (H0003)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use to document review/interpretation/analysis of laboratory results related to alcohol or drug screening. 	MD/DO, NP, PA, RN, LVN/LPT
Medication Administration	Oral Medication Administration, Direct Observation, 15 minutes (H0033)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administration of oral medication or injection medication with direct observation. 	Prescriber, RN Detail: MD/DO, PA, Pharma, NP, RN, LVN/LPT
Health Risk Assessment	Administration of patient-focused health risk assessment instrument, with scoring and documentation, per standardized instrument, 15 mins (96160)	Min Time: 8 Minutes Billed: Code is Not Extended Past 8 Min Billing: Claims 1 Unit if 8 Min of Service Provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administration and review/interpretation of findings related to health risk assessments. Use for evaluation of Health Questionnaire and Walk-In Triage Form. 	MD/DO, PA, NP, LMFT, LCSW, LPCC, RN, LVN/LPT
Health Behavior Intervention – with family	Health behavior intervention, family (without client present), face-to-face, initial 30	Min Time: 16 Mins claims 30 Mins, 38 Mins claims 60 Mins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes supporting improvements in function, minimizing psychological and/or psychosocial barriers to 	MD/DO, PA, NP, LMFT, LCSW, LPCC, RN, LVN/LPT

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	minutes (96170) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each additional 15 mins (96171) 	Billing: Claims 1 Unit if 16 Min of Service Provided	recovery, and improved coping skills related to medical conditions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client is not present. 	
Discharge Services				
Discharge Planning	Alcohol and/or substance abuse services, treatment plan development and/or modification, 15mins (T1007)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Used for SUD case management/care coordination. Discharge planning, including coordinating with SUD treatment providers to support transitions between levels of care and to recovery resources, referrals to mental health providers, and referrals to primary/specialty medical providers. 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Pharma, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, LPCC, AOD
Recovery Support Services				
Psychosocial Rehab - Individual	Psychosocial Rehabilitation, 15 minutes (H2017)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For DMC-ODS, rehabilitation falls under RSS and can document education related to mental health, substance use, independent living, social, coping and interpersonal skills, relapse prevention, etc. 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Pharma, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, LPCC, AOD, LPT/LVN
Comprehensive Community Supports	Comprehensive community support services, per 15 minutes (H2015)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use for Recovery Support Services. Accessing needed medical, social, educational, and other health-related services. 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, LPCC, AOD

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Psychosocial Rehabilitation Group	Psychosocial Rehabilitation services, 15 min (H2017)	Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins Billed: 15 Minute Increments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For DMC-ODS, rehabilitation falls under RSS and can document education related to mental health, substance abuse, independent living, social, coping and interpersonal skills, relapse prevention, etc. 	All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Pharma, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, RN, NP, LPCC, AOD, LVN/LPT

Codes Not to Be Used Yet

<p>Prescriber New E/M (OP)</p>	<p>Office or Other Outpatient Visit (E&M) New Patient – face to face or telehealth (audio + video)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15-29 min (99202) • 30-44 min (99203) • 45-59 min (99204) • 60-74 min (99205) 	<p>Min Time: 15 Mins Min Time: 30 Mins Min Time: 45 Mins Min Time: 60 Mins</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Patient = Within the last 3 years client has not received any services from the physician or another physician within the same specialty. • Includes prescribing, administering, dispensing and monitoring drug interactions and contraindications of psychiatric medications or biologicals that are necessary to alleviate the suffering and symptoms of mental illness. This service may also include assessing the appropriateness of reducing medication usage when clinically indicated. 	<p>Prescribers Detail: MD/DO, PA, NP</p>
<p>Care Coordination Outside System of Care</p>	<p>Community-Based Wrap-Around Services, per 15 minutes (H2021)</p>	<p>Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins</p> <p>Billed: 15 Minute Increments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination of care between providers in the Drug Medi-Cal System and providers who are outside of the Drug Medi-Cal System. Example: transitioning client to care outside of the DMC- ODS system. • Can only be used to show that a delivery-system coordination of care has 	<p>All Detail: MD/DO, PA, Pharma, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC, AOD</p>

			<p>occurred.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For other kids of coordination, other service codes must be used. 	
Behavioral Health Prevention Education Service	Behavioral Health Prevention Education service, delivery of service with target population to affect knowledge, attitude, and/or behavior (H0025)	<p>Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins</p> <p>Billed: 15 Minute Increments</p>	Skill building groups conducted by a Certified Peer Support Specialist.	Certified Peer Support Specialists
Self-Help/Peer Service	Self-Help/Peer Services, per 15 minutes (H0038)	<p>Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins</p> <p>Billed: 15 Minute Increments</p>	Engagement; therapeutic activity.	Certified Peer Support Specialists
Assessment LPHA	Psychiatric Diagnostic Evaluation, 15 minutes (90791)	<p>Min Time: 8 Mins claims 15 Mins, 23 Mins claims 30 Mins</p> <p>Billed: 15 Minute Increments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Psychiatric diagnostic evaluation is an integrated biopsychosocial assessment, including history, mental status, and recommendations. Although physicians and other qualified medical staff are permitted to utilize this code, this procedure code is mainly utilized by non-physician clinical staff who are documenting services that would typically fall under the category of assessment. 	Prescriber, BH Clinicians Detail: MD/DO, PA, Psy, LCSW, LMFT, NP, LPCC

Add On Code Name	Description	Procedures this add on can be added to
Interactive Complexity	<p>Used to document communication difficulties including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Managing maladaptive communications that complicate service delivery (high anxiety, confrontation/disagreement, reactivity, repeated questions, etc.). *Caregiver emotions or behavior that interferes with ability to support the treatment of the individual in care. *Use of play equipment or other devices to overcome barriers to therapeutic interaction. 	Only used by LPHA staff documenting Assessment, Medication Support, & Therapy services
Interpretation or Explanation of Results of Psychiatric or Other Medical Procedures to Family or Other Responsible Persons	Used to document interpretation or explanation of results of psychiatric or other medical procedures to a family/collateral source.	Only used by LPHA staff documenting Alcohol and/or substance (other than tobacco) abuse screening, Multi-Family Group Therapy, & Medication Support services
Sign Language or Oral Interpretive Services	Utilized when interpretation services are utilized but does not include interpretation by the provider – it must be a person external to the session. The external person providing interpretation services can be a county or CBO employee.	Can be used by all staff for all services when an interpreter is utilized to provide treatment.