



Updated Nevada Medicaid Informational Bulletin on Medications and Services for Substance Use Disorders

This bulletin is informational only and does not supersede any policy or information documented in the Fee-for-Service (FFS) or Managed Care Organization (MCO) policy and billing manuals.

Nevada Medicaid consists of four different health care plans:

1. Fee-for-Service (FFS)
2. Amerigroup Community Care (AGP) (MCO)
3. Health Plan of Nevada (HPN) (MCO)
4. SilverSummit Healthplan (SSH) (MCO)

Before providing any services to a Medicaid recipient, it is important to verify in which plan the recipient is enrolled, and that the recipient is currently eligible. Both eligibility status and plan enrollment are subject to change.

All pharmacies and servicing providers must be actively enrolled in the FFS system even if they do not intend to see FFS recipients. They must also enroll with each MCO for whose recipients they wish to provide services. The same rules apply to medical prescribers, except that they may complete an abbreviated enrollment as an Ordering/Prescribing/Referring (OPR) provider if they do not wish to bill for any services themselves.

Medicaid-Covered Outpatient Drugs used for Opioid Addiction

These drugs may be subject to prior authorization (PA) approval and/or quantity limits (QL) and Preferred Drug List (PDL) status.

- Refer to the Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 1200, Prescribed Drugs, for more FFS information: <http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Resources/AdminSupport/Manuals/MSM/C1200/Chapter1200/>
- Refer to the following website for more AGP information: https://www.myamerigroup.com/Documents/NVNV_CAID_PDL_ENG.pdf
- Refer to the following website for more HPN information: <https://www.myhpnmedicaid.com/Provider>
- Refer to the following website for more SSH information: https://www.silversummithealthplan.com/content/dam/centene/Nevada/Medicaid/PDFs/NV_SilverSummit-PDL.pdf

Drug	FFS	HPN	AGP	SSH
Drugs Used for Counteracting Opioid Overdose:				
Naloxone (Narcan®)	X	X	X (Has QL+)	X (Has QL+)
Naloxone Auto-Injector (Evzio®)	X	X (NP**)	X (NP** Requires Clinical PA* & QL+)	X (NP**/ Requires Clinical PA*)
Naloxone Nasal Spray (Narcan®)	X	X (NP**)	X	X
Drugs Used for Treating Opioid Dependence:				
Naltrexone ER Susp (Vivitrol®)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & QL+)	X (Requires Clinical PA*)	X (Requires Clinical PA*)	X (Requires Clinical PA*)
Naltrexone Tab (ReVia®)	X	X (Generic Preferred)	X (Generic Preferred)	X (NP**/ Requires Clinical PA*)

Buprenorphine/naloxone (Suboxone®, Zubsolv®, Bunavail®)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & QL†)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & QL†)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & QL†)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & QL†)
Buprenorphine (Subutex®)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & QL†)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & QL† Generic Preferred)	X (Has QL†)	X (Requires Clinical PA*)
Drugs Used for Detoxification/Withdrawal:				
Methadone (Dolphine®, Methadose®)	X (NP‡)	X‡PA requirement can be overridden when prescribed for treatment of detoxification/- withdrawal	X (Requires Clinical PA* & QL†)	X (NP**/ Requires Clinical PA*/QL†)
Abuse-Deterrent Opioids: (Drugs with physical barriers that can prevent chewing, crushing, cutting, grating or grinding of the dosage form. Dosage forms with chemical barriers that resist extraction of the opioid through use of common solvents including water, alcohol or other organic solvents.)				
Oxycodone ER Tab (OxyContin®)	X (NP**)	X (NP**)	X (Requires Clinical PA* ST & QL†)	X (NP**)
Morphine/Naltrexone ER Cap (Embeda®)	X (QL†)	X (NP**)	X (Requires Clinical PA* ST & QL†)	X (Has QL†)
Hydrocodone ER Tab (Hysingla ER®)	X (QL†)	X (NP**)	X (Requires Clinical PA* ST & QL†)	X (Has QL†)
Oxycodone ER Cap (Xtampza ER®)	X (QL†/NP**)	X (NP**)	X, NP, QL†, ST	

Drugs for Alcohol Dependence				
Acamprosate Tab	X	X (NP**)	X (Has QL†)	X (NP**)
Naltrexone Tab (ReVia®)	X	X (Generic Preferred)	X, NP, QL†, ‡	X (NP**)
Naltrexone ER Susp (Vivitrol®)	X	X (Requires Clinical PA*)	X (NP*‡)	X (Requires Clinical PA*)
Alcohol Sensitizing Drug:				
Disulfiram	X	X	X	X

Methadone Clinics: Payment for the direct observation of oral medications to treat opioid dependence/withdrawal given at methadone clinics.				
Direct Observation	X	X	X	X

Lock-In: When a recipient has demonstrated drug seeking behaviors, they are locked-in to one specific pharmacy for all controlled substance scripts.				
Lock-In Program	X	X	X	X

*Clinical PA = PA required

‡PA requirement can be overridden when prescribed for treatment of detoxification/withdrawal.

QL† = Quantity Limit

**Requires a Standard Preferred Drug List Exception Criteria Prior Authorization.

NP = Nonpreferred.

ST = Step Therapy

OON=Out of Network

X = Covered

Medication-Assisted Treatment

Medication-assisted treatment (MAT), including opioid treatment programs, combines behavioral therapy and medications to treat substance use disorders as defined by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). MAT is a combination of medications and services that are provided in concert to assist recipients with a substance use disorder.

- Refer to MSM Chapter 400, [Mental Health and Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services](#), at the following web address for more FFS information:
<http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Resources/AdminSupport/Manuals/MSM/C400/Chapter400/>
- Refer to this website for more AGP information:
<https://www.myamerigroup.com/nv/benefits/nevada-medicaid.html>
- Refer to this website for more HPN information:
<https://www.healthplanofnevada.com/Member/Mental-Health>
- Refer to this website for more SSH information:
<https://www.silversummithealthplan.com/providers/pharmacy.html>

Behavioral Therapies/Services				
Service	FFS	HPN	AGP	SSH
Individual Therapy: 90832, 90834, 90837	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X	X (Requires Clinical PA* for OON provider only)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & †QL for OON provider only)
Family Therapy: 90846, 90847, 90849	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X	X (Requires Clinical PA* for OON provider only)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & †QL for OON provider only)
Group Therapy: 90853	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X	X (Requires Clinical PA* for OON provider only)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & †QL for OON provider only)
Therapy in Home or Community Setting: H004, H004 HQ	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA* for OON provider only)	X (Requires Clinical PA* & †QL for OON provider only)
Skills Training & Development: H2014, H2014 HQ	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA*)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)
Psychosocial Rehabilitation: H2017, H2017 HQ	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA*)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)
Self-Help/Peer-Support: H0038, H0038 HQ	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA* for OON provider only)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)

Medications
Refer to the Medicaid-Covered Outpatient Drugs used for Opioid Addiction table beginning on Page 1 of this bulletin.
NV Physician Administered Drugs (NVPAD): These are drugs administered in places such as a physician's office, outpatient clinic, End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) facility, etc. These drugs are not subject to PDL requirements.

Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) - SBIRT is an evidence based practice used to identify, reduce and prevent problematic use, abuse and dependence on alcohol and illicit drugs.				
Services	FFS	HPN	AGP	SSH
Alcohol and/or substance (other than tobaccos) abuse structured screening (e.g. AUDIT, DAST), and brief	X	X	X	X

intervention (SBI) services; 15 to 30 minutes: 99408				
Greater than 30 minutes: 99409	X	X	X	X
Brief face-to-face behavior counseling for alcohol misuse; 15 minutes: G0443	X	X	X	X

Detoxification - Inpatient substance abuse services are those services delivered in freestanding substance abuse treatment hospitals or general hospitals with a specialized substance abuse treatment unit which includes a secure, structured environment, 24-hour observation and supervision by mental health substance abuse professionals and a structured multidisciplinary clinical approach to treatment. These hospitals provide medical detoxification and treatment services for individuals suffering from acute alcohol and substance abuse conditions.

Services	FFS	HPN)	AGP	SSH
Inpatient detoxification	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA*)	X (Requires Clinical PA*)
Outpatient Observation (not to exceed 48 hrs.)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X (Requires Clinical PA*, †QL)	X	X

Resources and Links:

Resources for Providers:

Quantity Limits and Policy Guidelines for FFS:

MSM Chapter 400: <http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Resources/AdminSupport/Manuals/MSM/C400/Chapter400/>

MSM Chapter 600: <http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Resources/AdminSupport/Manuals/MSM/C600/Chapter600/>

MSM Chapter 1200: <http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Resources/AdminSupport/Manuals/MSM/C1200/Chapter1200/>

Provider Billing Guides for Quantity Limits for FFS: <https://www.medicaid.nv.gov/providers/rx/billinginfo.aspx>

Preferred Drug List (PDL) for FFS: <https://www.medicaid.nv.gov/providers/rx/PDL.aspx>

Citations:

Information Bulletin on MAT

<https://www.medicaid.gov/Federal-Policy-Guidance/downloads/CIB-07-11-2014.pdf>

Fact Sheet for SBIRT:

https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNProducts/Downloads/SBIRT_Factsheet_ICN904084.pdf

Resources for Recipients:

Crisis Call Center – 24-hour crisis line is available to provide a safe, non-judgmental source of support for individuals in any type of crisis. In addition to a 24-hour crisis hotline, Crisis Call Center also offers crisis intervention through text messaging.

- <http://crisiscallcenter.org/>
- 1-775-784-8090
- 1-800-273-8255

- Text "ANSWER" to 839863
- Medicaid District Office staff can assist with recipient benefit questions or problems

Nevada 2-1-1 Services – Nevada 2-1-1, a program of the Financial Guidance Center, is committed to helping Nevada citizens connect with the services they need. If it's not an emergency, recipients may call 2-1-1 to find a hotline to services such as mental health, housing and shelter, addiction and family support. The 2-1-1 operator will help recipients find health and service resources in Nevada. Or recipients may go to the website at: <http://www.nevada211.org/>

Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA) – SAPTA administers programs and activities that provide community-based prevention and treatment. <http://dphh.nv.gov/Programs/ClinicalSAPTA/Home> - [SAPTA/](#)

Medicaid District Office Staff Assistance:

Carson City District Office

1000 East William Street, Suite 111
Carson City, NV 89701
Telephone: (775) 684-3651

Las Vegas District Office

1210 S. Valley View, Suite 104
Las Vegas, NV 89102
Telephone: (702) 668-4200

Elko District Office

1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 103
Elko, NV 89801
Telephone: (775) 753-1191

Reno District Office

560 Hammill Lane
Reno, NV 89511
Telephone: (775) 687-1900

For eligibility questions, contact:

State of Nevada, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services
P.O. Box 15400
Las Vegas NV 89114-5400
Telephone: (800) 992-0900 ext. 47200