



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

Note: 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. Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Healthcare Solutions (ANT) (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. ***Note:** PDL are subject to change. Refer to the links below for the most current PDL.

- 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/>
- Nevada Medicaid and Nevada Check Up Preferred Drug List (PDL): <https://www.medicaid.nv.gov/providers/rx/PDL.aspx>
- Refer to the following website for more Anthem information: <https://mediproviders.anthem.com/nv/pages/formulary.aspx>
- 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_PDL_OCTOBER_2018.pdf

Drug	FFS	HPN	ANT	SSH
Drugs Used for Counteracting Opioid Overdose:				
Naloxone (Narcan®)	X	X (QL+)	X (QL+)	X (QL+)
Naloxone Nasal Spray (Narcan®)	X	X	X (QL+)	X
Drugs Used for Treating Opioid Dependence:				
Naltrexone ER Susp (Vivitrol®)	X (*PA / QL+)	X	X (QL+)	X (*PA)

Buprenorphine ER Inj (Sublocade®)	X	X (*PA)	X (QLT)	X (NP / *PA)
Buprenorphine Implant (Probuphine®)	XM	XM (*PA)	XM (NP / *PA)	XM (*PA)
Naltrexone Tab (ReVia®)	X	X (GP)	X (GP)	X (GP)
Buprenorphine/naloxone (Suboxone®, Zubsolv®, Bunavail®)	X (NP/ QLT)	X (2mg and 8mg film only / QLT)	X (GP / QLT)	X (QLT)
Buprenorphine (Subutex®)	X (QLT)	X (QLT / GP)	X (QLT)	X
Drugs Used for Detoxification/Withdrawal:				
Methadone (Dolphine®, Methadose®)	X (NP / ‡PA)	X (‡PA)	X (*PA / QLT)	X (NP / *PA / ** / QLT)
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 (NP / *PA / QLT)	X (NP / **)
Oxycodone IR Tab (Roxybond®)	X (QLT)	X (QLT)	X (*PA / QLT)	X (*PA / ST / QLT)
Morphine/Naltrexone ER Cap (Embeda®)	X (QLT)	X (NP / **)	X (NP / *PA / QLT)	X (*PA / QLT)
Morphine Sulfate ER Tab (Morphabond ER®, Arymo ER®)	X (NP / QLT)	X (NP / **)	X (NP / *PA / QLT)	X (*PA / ST / QLT)
Hydrocodone ER Tab (Hysingla ER®)	X (NP / QLT)	X (NP / **)	X (NP / *PA / QLT)	X (*PA)
Oxycodone ER Cap (Xtampza ER®)	X (QLT)	X (NP / **)	X (NP / *PA / QLT)	X (NP / *PA)

Drugs for Alcohol Dependence				
Acamprosate Tab	X	X	X (QLT)	X (NP / **)
Naltrexone Tab (ReVia®)	X	X (GP)	X (GP)	X (GP)
Naltrexone ER Susp (Vivitrol®)	X (*PA)	X (*PA)	X (QLT)	X (*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

Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)

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 3800, Medication Assisted Treatment, at the following web address for more FFS information regarding office based opioid treatment:
<http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Resources/AdminSupport/Manuals/MSM/C3800/Chapter3800/>
- Refer to MSM Chapter 400, Mental Health and Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services, for more FFS information regarding behavioral health services that can be used in combination with MAT:
<http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Resources/AdminSupport/Manuals/MSM/C400/Chapter400/>
- Refer to this website for more ANT information:
<https://mediproviders.anthem.com/nv/pages/pharmacy-information.aspx>
- 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>

Service	FFS	HPN	ANT	SSH
Substance Use Services				
Alcohol and/or drug services; group counseling by a clinician: H0005	X (*PA / QL ⁺)	X	X	X (*PA for OON provider only / QL ⁺)
Alcohol and/or drug services; crisis intervention (outpatient): H0007	X (*PA / QL ⁺)	X	X	X (*PA for OON provider only)
Alcohol and/or drug services; intensive outpatient program (3 hours per day at least 3 days per week): H0015	X (*PA / QL ⁺)	X (*PA)	X (*PA)	X (*PA)
Mental health partial hospitalization, treatment less than 24 hours: H0035	X (*PA / QL ⁺)	X (*PA)	X (*PA)	X (*PA)
Alcohol and/or drug services; (State defined: individual counseling by a clinician): H0047	X (*PA / QL ⁺)	X	X	X (*PA for OON provider only / QL ⁺)
Behavioral Therapies Services				
Individual Therapy: 90832, 90834, 90837	X (*PA / QL ⁺)	X	X (*PA / QL ⁺)	X (*PA / QL ⁺ for OON provider only)
Family Therapy: 90846, 90847, 90849	X (*PA / QL ⁺)	X	X (*PA / QL ⁺)	X (*PA / QL ⁺ for OON provider only)

Group Therapy: 90853	X (*PA / QL†)	X	X (*PA / QL†)	X (*PA / QL† for OON provider only)
Self-Help/Peer-Support: H0038, H0038 HQ	X (*PA / QL†)	X (*PA / QL†)	X (*PA for OON provider only)	X (*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	ANT	SSH
Brief face-to-face behavior counseling for alcohol misuse; 15 minutes: H0049	X	X	X	X
Alcohol and/or substance (other than tobaccos) abuse structured screening (e.g. AUDIT, DAST), and brief intervention (SBI) services; 15 to 30 minutes: 99408	X	X	X	X
Greater than 30 minutes: 99409	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)	ANT	SSH
Inpatient detoxification	X (*PA / QL†)	X (*PA / QL†)	X (*PA)	X (*PA)
Outpatient Observation (not to exceed 48 hrs.)	X (*PA / QL†)	X (*PA / QL†)	X	X

Symbol Legend

*PA = Clinical PA Required	QL† = Quantity Limit	NP = Non-preferred Agent	ST = Step Therapy
OON = Out of Network	X = Covered	XM = Covered by Medical Benefit	GP = Generic Preferred
‡PA = Requirement can be overridden when prescribed for treatment of detoxification/withdrawal			
** = Requires a Standard Preferred Drug List Exception Criteria Prior Authorization			

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/>

MSM Chapter 3800: <http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Resources/AdminSupport/Manuals/MSM/C3800/Chapter3800/>

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>

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 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 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 health, housing and shelter, addiction and family support. The 2-1-1 operator will help recipients find health and service 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://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/ClinicalSAPTA/Home_-_SAPTA/

Find certified behavioral health providers specializing in substance use disorder and co-occurring mental health disorder treatment services here: <https://behavioralhealthnv.org/>

Medicaid District Office Staff Assistance:

Carson City District Office	Las Vegas District Office	Elko District Office	Reno District Office
1000 E. William St., Ste. 111 Carson City, NV 89701 Telephone: (775) 684-3651	1210 S. Valley View, Ste. 104 Las Vegas, NV 89102 Telephone: (702) 668-4200	1010 Ruby Vista Dr, Ste. 103 Elko, NV 89801 Telephone: (775) 753-1191	560 Hammill Lane Reno, NV 89511 Telephone: (775) 687-1900

For Eligibility 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