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Notice of Meeting to Solicit Public Comments and Intent to Act Upon Amendments to the Medicaid Services Manual (MSM)

Public Hearing November 25, 2025 Summary

Date and Time of Meeting: November 25, 2025, at 10:00 AM

Name of Organization: State of Nevada, Nevada Health Authority (NVHA),
Division of Nevada Medicaid (DNM)

Place of Meeting: Nevada Medicaid
1919 College Parkway, Suite #120
Carson City, Nevada 89706

Teleconference and/or Microsoft Teams Attendees

(Note: This List May Not Include All Participants, Just Those Who Identified Themselves)

Kimberly Smalley, DNM	Marcel Brown, DNM
Lauren M. Driscoll, Regulatory Council	Lindsey Bondiek, DNM
Gabriel D. Lithier, Senior Deputy Attorney General (SDAG)	April Caughron, DNM
Erica McAllister, DNM	Sarah Dearborn, DNM
Edwin Centeno, DNM	Carin Hennessey, DNM
Darlene Wolff, DNM	Patricia Schille, DNM
Estephania Jimenez-Sabree, DNM	Blanca Iris Lanzas, DNM
Serene Pack, DNM	Tashanae Glass, DNM

Introduction:

Kimberly Smalley, Division Compliance, Chief, DNM, opened the Public Hearing introducing herself, Lauren M. Driscoll, Regulatory Council, and Gabriel D. Lithier, SDAG.

Kimberly Smalley – The notice for this public hearing was published on October 23, 2025, in accordance with Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 422.2369.

1. **Public Comments:** There were none.
2. **Discussion and Proposed Adoption and Changes to MSM Chapter 4100**

Subject: MSM Chapter 4100 – Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services and Coverage

Marcel Brown, Program Specialist, Behavioral Health Benefits and Coverage Unit, DNM, presented the proposed revisions to change references from Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) to Nevada Medicaid to align policy with Senate Bill (SB) 494 from the 83rd Legislative Session (2025). The following language was added: To clarify requirements for mental health treatment within a substance use treatment clinic; That allows Registered Nurse (RN) to perform some substance use treatment services; To require treatment providers to offer all Food Drug Administration (FDA) approved medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD); To clarify discharge criteria for residential and inpatient levels of care (LOC); and to define continued service criteria and transition of care standards.

Brown outlined the following revisions: Throughout the chapter, all references of DHCFP were changed to Nevada Medicaid; Section 4110 - Outpatient Mental Health Treatment and Services in a substance use disorder (SUD) Treatment Clinic, language was added to clarify requirements for mental health treatment within a substance use treatment clinic; Section 4112(R) – Providers, RN was added to the list of providers who can perform some substance use treatment services; Section 4114(D) - Provider Requirements, language was added to require treatment providers to offer all FDA approved MOUDs on site or facilitate access to MAT off site; Section 4115(D) - Documentation Requirements, language was added to clarify discharge criteria for residential and inpatient LOC; Section 4115(E) - Documentation Requirements, language was added to define continued service and transition of care standards.

The proposed policy updates affect enrolled Medicaid providers qualified to deliver mental health and substance use services. Those provider types (PT) include but are not limited to Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) (PT 14, Specialty 300), Behavioral Health Rehabilitative Treatment Services, Non-Residential (PT 82, Specialty 300), Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSW) (PT 14, Specialty 305), Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) (PT 14, Specialty 306), Licensed Clinical Professional Counselors (LCPC) (PT 14, Specialty 307), Physicians (PT 20), Advance Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) (PT 24), Nurse Midwife (PT 74), Physician's Assistant (PA) (PT 77), Psychologist (PT 26), Pharmacist (PT 91), and all Substance Use Treatment providers (PT 93).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact.

The information was presented to stakeholders on September 8, 2025, at a public workshop.

The effective date is November 26, 2025.

Public Comments: There were none.

Lauren M. Driscoll approved the changes pending spelling and grammar changes.

Kimberly Smalley – Closed the Public Hearing for proposed adoption and changes to Chapter 4100 – Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services and Coverage.

3. Discussion and Proposed Adoption and Changes to MSM Chapter 3800

Subject: MSM Chapter 3800 – Medication Assisted Treatment

Marcel Brown presented the proposed revisions to change references from DHCFP to Nevada Medicaid to align policy with SB 494 from the 83rd Legislative Session (2025) to create the NVHA. The definition of medication assisted treatment (MAT) has also been clarified to more accurately align policy to Division criteria. Language has been added requiring MAT providers to offer all FDA approved MOUDs on site or facilitate access to MAT off site.

Brown outlined the following revisions: Throughout the chapter, all references of DHCFP were changed to Nevada Medicaid; Section 3800 - Introduction, language was added to align the definition of MAT to SB 300 and to more accurately meet Division criteria; Section 3802.C(3) - Coverage and Limitations, language was added to require MAT providers to offer all FDA approved MOUDs on site or facilitate access to MAT off site.

The proposed policy updates affect enrolled Medicaid providers qualified to deliver mental health and substance use services. Those PTs include but are not limited to QMHP (PT 14, Specialty 300), Behavioral Health Rehabilitative Treatment Services, Non-Residential (PT 82, Specialty 300), LCSW (PT 14, Specialty 305), LMFT (PT 14, Specialty 306), LCPC (PT 14, Specialty 307), Physicians (PT 20), APRN (PT 24), Nurse Midwife (PT 74), PA (PT 77), Psychologist (PT 26), Pharmacist (PT 91), and all Substance Use Treatment providers (PT 93).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact.

The information was presented to stakeholders on September 8, 2025, at a public workshop.

The effective date is November 26, 2025.

Public Comments: There were none.

Lauren M. Driscoll approved the changes pending spelling and grammar changes.

Kimberly Smalley – Closed the Public Hearing for proposed adoption and changes to MSM Chapter 3800 – Medication Assisted Treatment.

4. Adjournment

There were no further comments, and Kimberly Smalley closed the Public Hearing at 10:12 AM.

****A video version of this meeting is available through the Nevada Medicaid Compliance office. For more detailed information on any of the handouts, submittals, testimony, and or comments please contact Jenifer Graham at documentcontrol@nvha.nv.gov with any questions.***