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# Adult Day Health Bulletin 38

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**TO**: Adult Day Health Providers Participating in MassHealth

**FROM**: Mike Levine, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth [signature of Mike Levine]

RE: Adult Day Health Admission and Re-engagement Services

## Background

Adult day health (ADH) programs were greatly disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. To promote the continued recovery of ADH programs as we exit the pandemic, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services is promulgating two new service codes under 101 CMR 310.00: *Rates for Adult Day Health Services* to facilitate re-engaging members with ADH services and increasing the use of ADH services by new members. As discussed in more detail below, ADH providers may bill the service codes to claim a one-time re-engagement payment for re-engaging members who received ADH services before the pandemic, as well as a one-time payment for admitting new members who have not previously received ADH services.

## Qualifying Re-engagement and New Admission Service Codes

**Re-Engagement:** For dates of service on or after July 5, 2023, providers can use the re-engagement service code for re-engaging a member who received ADH services before the pandemic but did not receive site-based ADH services between March 24, 2020, and June 30, 2023.

Members may choose to change ADH providers when returning to ADH services. Only one ADH provider can submit a claim for the re-engagement payment; the re-engagement payment is a one-time service payment per member per lifetime. The re-engagement service code is as follows.

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| **Code** | **Rate** | **Description** |
| S5105 KZ | $2,000.00 | Re-engagement services (one time only, on or after the 45th day of service) |

**New Admissions:** For dates of service on or after July 5, 2023, providers can use the new admission service code for all new admissions to ADH. A new admission is defined as the admission of a member who has never received MassHealth covered ADH services prior to being enrolled in the ADH provider’s ADH program. If a member attended an ADH program, disenrolled, and was enrolled in a different ADH program, the new program would not be eligible for the new admission service payment; the new admission payment is a one-time service payment per member per lifetime. The new admission service code is as follows.

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| **Code** | **Rate**  | **Description** |
| S5105 | $2,000.00 | Admission services (one time only, on or after the 45th day of service) |

## Submission of Claims

## Re-engagement Service Claim: On or after the 45th day of on-site ADH services for a returning ADH member, the ADH provider may submit a single re-engagement claim for that member. The member’s re-engagement must be regular and consistent for at least 60 calendar days (45 days of service) in order for the provider to be eligible for the re-engagement service payment. The requirement that the claim be submitted on or after the 45th day of service (not the 45th calendar day) is meant to ensure that the member is still engaged in on-site ADH services.

## New Admission Service Claim: On or after the newly enrolled member’s 45th day of service, the ADH provider may submit a single new admission service claim for that member. The requirement that the claim be submitted on or after the 45th day of service (not the 45th calendar day) is meant to ensure that the member is still engaged in and attending site-based ADH services.

Note: The re-engagement and new admission service codes cannot both be billed for the same MassHealth ID.

Each claim submission must include a fully executed attestation form (see attached). The ADH provider must submit this one-time claim through direct data entry, since this is the only method for submitting claims with attachments. For additional guidance and detailed information on submitting the one-time claim, please refer to [NewMMIS POSC Job Aid: Professional Claims Submission with MassHealth](https://www.mass.gov/doc/mmis-job-aid-professional-claim-submission-with-masshealth/download). (Page 6 of the document refers to attachments.) If additional support is needed, please contact the LTSS Provider Service Center.

## Non-Discrimination

As a reminder, ADH providers are required to comply with all laws and regulations for the delivery of ADH services, including, but not limited to, 130 CMR 450.202: *Nondiscrimination*, which prohibits providers from discriminating against any individual in the enrollment and delivery of services based on disability, including the care and services an individual requires because of their disability.

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## Questions

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