




MassHealth
Managed Care Entity Bulletin 102
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TO: Accountable Care Partnership Plans and Managed Care Organizations Participating in MassHealth, and MassHealth's Behavioral Health Vendor

FROM: Mike Levine, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth 

RE: **Rate Floors for Acute Treatment Services, Clinical Stabilization Services, Residential Rehabilitation Services, and Intensive Stabilization and Treatment Services**

Applicable Managed Care Entities and PACE Organizations

- ☒ Accountable Care Partnership Plans (ACPPs)
- ☒ Managed Care Organizations (MCOs)
- ☒ MassHealth's behavioral health vendor
- ☐ One Care Plans
- ☐ Senior Care Organizations (SCOs)
- ☐ Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) Organizations

Introduction

MassHealth is focused on ensuring access to critical substance use disorder treatment services for members. As detailed further below, MassHealth will be making strategic investments to strengthen and stabilize the workforce providing these services to the Commonwealth's most vulnerable populations.

Rate Floor Updates for Dates of Service Starting July 1, 2023

Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2023, ACPPs, MCOs, and the MassHealth Behavioral Health Vendor (collectively, MCEs) must pay no less than the following rate floors for Acute Treatment Services (ATS), Clinical Stabilization Services (CSS), Residential Rehabilitation Services (RRS), and Intensive Stabilization and Treatment Services (ITS).

Service	Rate Floor
ATS	\$568.09
CSS	\$438.61
RRS	\$179.04
ITS Tier 1	\$919.21
ITS Tier 2	\$667.22

Rate Floors Based on Provider Public Payer Mix for Dates of Service Starting October 1, 2023

Additionally, effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2023, MCEs must pay no less than the total rate floors listed below for ATS and CSS providers based on a provider's public payer mix. For the purposes of this requirement, public payer mix is the percentage of total bed days paid by either MassHealth or the Bureau of Substance Addiction Services (BSAS) as the payer of last resort during a designated reporting period. Eligibility for tiered payments will be determined by EOHHS using data collected by BSAS.

Provider Criteria	Base Rate Floor (effective 7/1/23)	Payer Mix Tiered Rate (effective 10/1/23)	Total Rate Floor (effective 10/1/23)
ATS			
Public payer mix less than 50%	\$568.09	N/A	\$568.09
Public payer mix at least 50% and less than 75%	\$568.09	\$56.81	\$624.90
Public payer mix 75% or higher	\$568.09	\$85.21	\$653.30
CSS			
Public payer mix less than 50%	\$438.61	N/A	\$438.61
Public payer mix at least 50% and less than 75%	\$438.61	\$43.86	\$482.47
Public payer mix 75% or higher	\$438.61	\$65.79	\$504.40

EOHHS will inform MCEs of the providers that must be paid at or above the increased rate floor.

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