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TO: Accountable Care Partnership Plans and Managed Care Organizations Participating in MassHealth, and the MassHealth Behavioral Health Vendor

FROM: Mike Levine, Undersecretary for MassHealth

RE: **Youth Withdrawal Management within Inpatient Psychiatric Unit**

Applicable Managed Care Entities and PACE Organizations

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

Background

Youth Withdrawal Management and Stabilization Services are ASAM Level 3.7 Acute Treatment Services and ASAM level 3.5 Clinical Stabilization Services provided to adolescents who are 13–17 years old. A program must have an approval from the Bureau of Substance Addiction Services to be able to provide the service. As of July 1, 2025, Masshealth began directing ACPPs, MCOs, and the MassHealth behavioral health vendor to cover Youth Withdrawal Management and Stabilization Services within an inpatient psychiatric unit at or above the rate floor identified in 101 CMR 418.00: *Payment for Youth Short-Term Stabilization and Emergency Placement Services*.

This bulletin updates the directed rate floor for Youth Withdrawal Management and Stabilization Services provided within an inpatient psychiatric unit.

Description of Changes

Effective January 1, 2026, ACPPs, MCOs, and the MassHealth behavioral health vendor must pay no less than the following rate for Youth Withdrawal Management and Stabilization Services provided within an inpatient psychiatric unit.

H0011-HV	Youth Withdrawal Management and Stabilization Services	\$1,208.58 (per diem)
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