Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Under the authority of M.G.L. c. 118E and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) will hold a remote public hearing on Friday, October 3, 2025, at 10 a.m. relative to the adoption of amendments to the following regulation.

101 CMR 307.00: Rates for Psychiatric Day Treatment Center Services

Summary of Proposed Regulation

Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 118E, Section 13D, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) is required to establish and periodically review the rates to be paid by governmental units to providers of non-institutional healthcare services, including psychiatric day treatment center services provided under the MassHealth program.

The proposed amendments, effective March 1, 2026, increase the rates for code H2012 (behavioral health day treatment) and code H2012-U1 (preadmission evaluation visit) by a prospective cost adjustment factor (CAF) of 2.77%. The CAF was calculated based on the optimistic forecast of the Fall 2024 Massachusetts Economic Indicators data developed by S&P Global Market Intelligence, using a base period of quarter four of calendar year 2025, and a two-year prospective rate period of quarter one of calendar year 2026 through quarter four of calendar year 2027. The proposed rate for code H2012 increases from \$28.77 to \$29.57 per hour, and the proposed rate for code H2012-U1 increases from \$80.13 to \$82.35 per hour. The rate for code 90887 is established in 101 CMR 306.00: Rates for Mental Health Service Providers in Community Health Centers and Mental Health Centers and is excluded from this rate review. In addition, the proposed amendments also update outdated citations, update terminology, enhance consistency with other EOHHS regulations, and otherwise increase clarity.

EOHHS is proposing these amendments, subject to federal approval, to ensure that payment rates are consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care, and to satisfy the requirements of M.G.L. 118E, sections 13C and 13D. It is estimated that annual aggregate fiscal impact of the proposed amendments is \$70,000. The actual change in annualized expenditures may vary depending on actual utilization of services. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns.

To register to testify at the hearing and to get instructions on how to join the hearing online, go to www.mass.gov/info-details/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services-public-hearings. To join the hearing by phone, call (646) 558-8656 and enter meeting ID 935 397 8200# when prompted.

You may also submit written testimony instead of, or in addition to, live testimony. To submit written testimony, please email your testimony to ehs-regulations@mass.gov as an attached Word or PDF document or as text within the body of the email with the name of the regulation in the subject line. All written testimony must include the sender's full name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation, if any. Individuals who are unable to submit testimony by email should mail written testimony to EOHHS, c/o D. Briggs, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171. Written testimony will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 3, 2025. EOHHS specifically invites comments as to how the amendments may affect beneficiary access to care for MassHealth-covered services.

To review the current draft of the proposed regulation, go to www.mass.gov/info-details/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services-public-hearings or request a copy in writing from MassHealth Publications, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171.

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EOHHS may adopt a revised version of the proposed regulation taking into account relevant comments and any other practical alternatives that come to its attention.

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