

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Executive Office of Health and Human Services**

**NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE**

In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 118E, Section 13D, which requires EOHHS to establish and biennially update rates to be paid by governmental units to providers, EOHHS has amended 101 CMR 346.00: Rates for Certain Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Programs, to update the rates to be paid by governmental units for certain substance-related and addictive disorders services, effective July 1, 2019.

Rates for services covered by MassHealth were updated by incorporating a new code for a new unit for group counseling and/or drug services (group counseling by a clinician). This amended regulation will go into effect July 1, 2019. Based on projected utilization, the estimated annual aggregate expenditure for the changes to the rates for services purchased by the MassHealth agency is \$0. There is no fiscal impact to cities and towns.

Pursuant to the authority of M.G.L. c. 118E and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, a public hearing was held on Friday, April 12, 2019.

All persons desiring to review the amended regulations may go to <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-34600-rates-for-certain-substance-related-and-addictive-disorders-programs> or request a copy in writing or in person from MassHealth Publications, 100 Hancock Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Quincy, MA 02171. To view or download related supporting materials, go to <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/proposed-regulations-supporting-materials>.

Individuals may submit written comments, or request a copy of any notices or written comments, concerning the matters herein by emailing [ehs-regulations@state.ma.us](mailto:ehs-regulations@state.ma.us). Please submit electronic comments as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with the name of the regulation in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation, if any. Individuals who are unable to submit comments or request a copy of any notices or written copies by email should mail written comments or requests to EOHHS, c/o Debby Briggs, 100 Hancock Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Quincy, MA 02171.

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