

1905(a)(29) Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT)

Amount, Duration, and Scope of Medical and Remedial Care Services Provided to the Medically Needy (continued)

i. General Assurance

MAT is covered under the Medicaid state plan for all Medicaid beneficiaries who meet the medical necessity criteria for receipt of the service for the period beginning October 1, 2020, and ending September 30, 2025.

ii. Assurances

- a. The state assures coverage of Naltrexone, Buprenorphine, and Methadone and all of the forms of these drugs for MAT that are approved under section 505 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355) and all biological products licensed under section 351 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262).
- b. The state assures that Methadone for MAT is provided by Opioid Treatment Programs that meet the requirements in 42 C.F.R. Part 8.
- c. The state assures coverage for all formulations of MAT drugs and biologicals for OUD that are approved under section 505 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355) and all biological products licensed under section 351 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262).

iii. Service Package

The state covers the following counseling services and behavioral health therapies as part of MAT.

- a) Please set forth each service and components of each service (if applicable), along with a description of each service and component service.

The state assures that MAT to treat OUD as defined at section 1905(ee)(1) of the Social Security Act (the Act) is covered exclusively under section 1905(a)(29) of the Act.

Opioid use disorder assessments—Assessment of the member’s physiological and psychological dependence, length of history of addiction, and medical history to determine the need for opioid use disorder services and identify appropriate treatment.

Individual, group, and family substance abuse counseling – Services are provided to ameliorate negative symptoms from opioid and other substance abuse and to restore effective functioning. Family counseling that involves the participation of a non-Medicaid eligible is for the direct benefit of the beneficiary. The service must actively involve the beneficiary in the sense of being tailored to the beneficiary's individual needs. There may be times when, based on clinical judgment, the beneficiary is not present during the delivery of the service, but remains the focus of the service.

Medication management – Includes identification of symptoms, dispensing and administration of medication, monitoring symptoms, and educating the member and the member's family regarding their medications.

Drug testing – Includes collection of samples and completion of point-of-care drug tests to determine the presence of opiates and other substances, guide clinical decision-making, and ensure member safety.

- b) Please include each practitioner and provider entity that furnishes each service and component service.

Opioid use disorder assessments – Assessments may be rendered by licensed psychiatrists, licensed psychologists, licensed independent clinical social workers, licensed professional counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists, certified social workers with substance abuse certification, certified advanced practice social workers with substance abuse certification, certified independent social workers with substance abuse certification, certified alcohol and drug abuse counselors.

Individual, group, and family substance abuse counseling – May be rendered by licensed psychiatrists, licensed psychologists, licensed independent clinical social workers, licensed professional counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists, certified social workers with substance abuse certification, certified advanced practice social workers with substance abuse certification, certified independent social workers with substance abuse certification, certified alcohol and drug abuse counselors.

Medication management – May be provided by physicians, physician assistants, advance practice nurse prescribers, registered nurses or licensed practical nurses employed by a certified clinic. Medication management is provided under the general direction of a physician.

Drug testing - May be rendered by physicians, physician assistants, advance practice nurse prescribers, registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, licensed

psychiatrists, licensed psychologists, licensed independent clinical social workers, licensed professional counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists, certified social workers with substance abuse certification, certified advanced practice social workers with substance abuse certification, certified independent social workers with substance abuse certification, certified alcohol and drug abuse counselors.

- c) Please include a brief summary of the qualifications for each practitioner or provider entity that the state requires. Include any licensure, certification, registration, education, experience, training and supervisory arrangements that the state requires.

Physicians – Physicians shall be licensed in Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery and shall possess knowledge and experience related to addiction medicine, with a current federal waiver to prescribe narcotic drugs for narcotic treatment, as applicable.

Physician assistants - Physician assistants shall be licensed in Wisconsin and supervised by a physician, with a current federal waiver to prescribe narcotic drugs for narcotic treatment, as applicable.

Advance practice nurse prescribers – Advance practice nurse prescribers shall be licensed in Wisconsin as a registered nurse and certified in Wisconsin as an advance practice nurse prescriber, with a current federal waiver to prescribe narcotic drugs for narcotic treatment, as applicable.

Registered nurses – Registered nurses shall be licensed in Wisconsin and supervised by a physician.

Licensed practical nurses – Licensed practical nurses shall be licensed in Wisconsin and supervised by a physician.

Licensed psychiatrists – Psychiatrists shall be licensed in Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery and shall have completed 3 years of residency training in psychiatry in a program approved by the American Medical Association or the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, with a current federal waiver to prescribe narcotic drugs for narcotic treatment, as applicable.

Licensed psychologists – Psychologists shall be licensed in Wisconsin and be listed or have met the requirements for listing with the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology or have a minimum of one year of supervised post-doctoral clinical experience directly related to the assessment and treatment of individuals with mental disorders or substance-use disorders.

Licensed independent clinical social workers – Licensed independent clinical social workers shall be licensed in the state of Wisconsin and shall possess at least 3,000 hours of supervised clinical experience where the majority of clients are children or adults with mental disorders or substance use disorders.

Licensed professional counselors – Licensed professional counselors shall be licensed in the state of Wisconsin and shall possess at least 3,000 hours of supervised clinical experience where the majority of clients are children or adults with mental disorders or substance use disorders.

Licensed marriage and family therapists – Licensed marriage and family therapists shall be licensed in the state of Wisconsin and shall possess at least 3,000 hours of supervised clinical experience where the majority of clients are children or adults with mental disorders or substance use disorders.

Certified social workers with substance abuse certification – Certified social workers shall be certified in the state of Wisconsin and shall possess a substance abuse certification.

Certified advance practice social workers with substance abuse certification – Certified advance practice social workers shall be certified in the state of Wisconsin and shall possess a substance abuse certification.

Certified independent social workers with substance abuse certification – Certified independent social workers shall be certified in the state of Wisconsin and shall possess a substance abuse certification.

Certified alcohol and drug abuse counselors – Certified alcohol and drug abuse counselors shall be certified in the state of Wisconsin.

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iv. Utilization Controls

The state has drug utilization controls in place. (Check each of the following that apply)

Generic first policy

Preferred drug lists

Clinical criteria

Quantity limits

The state does not have drug utilization controls in place.

v. Describe the state's limitations on amount, duration, and scope of MAT drugs, biologicals, and counseling and behavioral therapies related to MAT.

MAT Drugs

MAT drugs for opioid use disorder are subject to the state's preferred drug list, and select MAT drugs for opioid use disorder are subject to prior authorization requirements, diagnosis restrictions, or quantity limit restrictions. The state publishes specific detail on the preferred drug list, quantity limit drugs, and diagnosis restricted drugs on the pharmacy resources page of the ForwardHealth Portal. The state publishes prior authorization clinical criteria in the ForwardHealth provider online handbook. Coverage utilization controls are regularly reviewed by the Department and updated as needed to ensure that members have broad access to MAT drugs for opioid use disorder.

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Reimbursement

MAT Drugs

- A. MAT drugs covered under the pharmacy benefit are reimbursed an ingredient cost based on actual acquisition cost (AAC) plus a professional dispensing fee.
 1. AAC is defined as the lesser of National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC) plus a professional dispensing fee or the provider's usual and customary charge.
 2. If NADAC is unavailable, AAC is the lesser of wholesale acquisition cost plus a professional dispensing fee, state maximum allowable cost, if available, plus a professional dispensing fee, or the provider's usual and customary charge.
- B. Reimbursement rates for MAT drugs covered under the medical benefit can be found on the published ForwardHealth max fee schedule.

Counseling Services and Behavioral health Therapies:

The Department establishes maximum allowable fees for counseling services and behavioral health therapies. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rate are the same for both governmental and private providers of counseling services and behavioral health therapies.

Reimbursement rates for counseling services and behavioral health therapies can be found on the published ForwardHealth max fee schedule.

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