

Updates on Medicaid Coverage of Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) Services on and after January 1, 2017

ODM and OhioMHAS will hold a webinar on Friday December 16th from 1 pm – 2:30 pm to announce several updates to Medicaid billing requirements for Opioid Treatment Program services provided on and after January 1, 2017. We recommend that representatives from Medicaid enrolled OTPs attend as well as representatives from MyCare Ohio managed care plans. Others are welcome to participate, especially treatment providers interested in beginning or expanding medication assisted treatment for opiate addiction.

Please register by visiting this link:

<https://deloitteevents.webex.com/deloitteevents/onstage/g.php?MTID=eddf81cfa1840359d0918ed3abb81a00b>.

Updates To Be Detailed in Revised OTP Manual

In addition to reviewing the updated OTP service coding, ODM and OhioMHAS will also issue an updated Medicaid OTP Manual which will cover the OTP billing guidance in more detail. The updated version of the OTP manual will be posted to the <http://bh.medicaid.ohio.gov/> web site in advance of the webinar.

OTPs MUST ADD a New Specialty for Buprenorphine

SAMHSA-certified OTPs **(including OhioMHAS licensed methadone programs) that want to administer and dispense** Buprenorphine based medications and bill Ohio Medicaid for this service **MUST** have a new Ohio Medicaid provider specialty of “953” added to their MITS provider account. To add this Ohio Medicaid provider specialty, OTPs must send an email to MHAS-BHSupport@mha.ohio.gov that includes the following information:

- 1)A request to add Buprenorphine based medication administration and dispensing to their existing Medicaid provider scope of practice.
- 2)Attach a copy of the agency’s SAMHSA OTP certificate.
- 3)List an agency contact name and phone number for any follow-up.

OhioMHAS staff will verify the information and, once verified, ODM will add the specialty in MITS.

PLEASE NOTE: Existing OhioMHAS licensed OTPs DO NOT automatically have the “953” specialty that permits billing for buprenorphine administration and drug ingredient costs. OTPs MUST REQUEST that the “953” specialty be added to their MITS provider account by following the process outlined above. Medicaid claims will not be paid for buprenorphine administration or drug ingredient costs for dates of service before an OTP’s “953” specialty is active in MITS.