



December 15, 2020

RE: Transition of Peer Services Rate Codes

Dear Medicaid Managed Care Plans;

OASAS in conjunction with OMH and DOH have developed a new weight (.1134) for Peer Advocate Services that will allow those services to be reimbursed through the standard provider rate codes (**see Table 2**). The transition back to the Standard Rate Codes should simplify the billing process by eliminating the extra claim needed for the separate Enhanced Peer Services Rate Code. The reimbursement amount using the Standard Rate Code will be the same as it was utilizing the Enhanced Peer Services Rate Code with a maximum of 12 units (3 hours) per day.

To accommodate this transition back to the Standard Rate Codes, **effective January 1, 2021** plans are directed to:

1. **Cease** to reimburse for Peer Services claims utilizing the **Enhance Rate Codes** as given in **Table 1**.
2. **Increase** the Peer Services weight in their systems for the **Standard Rate Codes** as given in **Table 2** from 0.0756 to 0.1134.
3. Allow Peer Services to be reimbursed under the **Standard Rate Codes**.

The 3M Grouper is set to the new Peer Rate under the Standard Rates Codes effective **January 1, 2021**. Though plans, per contract have 60 days to make changes to their systems, OASAS is encouraging these changes to be made as soon as possible to:

1. Prevent the need for the reprocessing of claims, and
2. Any overpayments requiring subsequent take backs.

For any questions regarding this notification, please email PICM@oasas.ny.gov

Table 1:

Enhanced Peer Services Rate codes that will be zeroed out effective January 1, 2021.

Rate Code	Rate Description
1072	OASAS DTC APG CLINIC PEER SRV (+50%)
1074	OASAS OPD APG CLINIC PEER SRV (+50%)
1076	OASAS DTC APG OTP PEER SRV (+50%)
1078	OASAS OPD APG OTP PEER SRV (+50%)

Table 2:

Standard APG Rate codes to be used for billing Peer services using H0038.

Rate Code	Rate Description
1114	OASAS DTC APG ART 32 INTEGRATED SVC (DSRIP)
1116	OASAS DTC APG MMTP INTEGRATED SVC (DSRIP)
1118	OASAS OPD APG ART 32 INTEGRATED SVC (DSRIP)
1120	OASAS OPD APG MMTP INTEGRATED SVC (DSRIP)
1468	OASAS - ARTICLE 32 MEDICAL VISIT
1471	OASAS - MMTP MEDICAL VISIT
1486	OASAS DTC APG ART 32 INTEGR OUTPT SVC (IOS)
1528	OASAS - HOSPITAL ARTICLE 32 CLINIC
1531	OASAS - HOSPITAL MMTP
1540	OASAS -FREE-STANDING ARTICLE 32 CLINIC
1543	OASAS - FREE-STANDING MMTP
1552	OASAS APG - ARTICLE 32 CLINIC MEDICAL VISIT
1555	OASAS APG - MMTP CLINIC MEDICAL VISIT
1558	OASAS APG - HOSP ARTICLE 32 OP REHAB MEDICAL VISIT
1561	OASAS APG - HOSPITAL ARTICLE 32 OUTPATIENT REHAB
1564	OASAS - FREE-STANDING MMTP (WEEKLY VISIT-BASED)
1567	OASAS - HOSPITAL MMTP (WEEKLY VISIT-BASED)
1570	OASAS APG - ARTICLE 32 OP REHAB MEDICAL VISIT
1573	OASAS APG - ARTICLE 32 OUTPATIENT REHAB