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**SAPC BULLETIN NO. 17-10-START**

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**TO:** Los Angeles County Substance Use Disorder  
Contracted Treatment Providers

**FROM:** Wesley L. Ford, M.A., M.P.H., Division Director  
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**SUBJECT: SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION TO ADVANCE RECOVERY AND TREATMENT (START-ODS) PERINATAL SERVICES**

In accordance with the Department of Health Care Services' Perinatal Service Network (PSN) Guidelines, Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (SAPC) is expanding substance use disorder (SUD) treatment services for perinatal and parenting women of children 0-5 years of age to include the following:

- **Mother:** SUD treatment services will be covered either by Drug Medi-Cal or with non-federal funds for those who are My Health LA eligible. Non-DMC covered services (e.g., room and board, recovery bridge housing, extended length of stay and hours of service up-to 30 hours for intensive outpatient counseling services) will be supported using the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SAPT-BG) Perinatal Set-Aside, Women and Children's Residential Treatment Services (WCRTS) funds, and CalWORKs funding as applicable.
- **Child 0-5 Years Old:** Using SAPT-BG Perinatal Set-Aside and WCRTS funds as applicable, the following billing codes will be added to account for PSN Guidelines required services.

Only agencies that comprised the Perinatal Services Network in Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2017 are able to add the following Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes when child(ren) age 0-5 years of age accompany the mother to treatment services. The ability to be reimbursed for these services will be dependent on availability of funding under SAPT-BG, WCRTS and CalWORKs, and at SAPC's discretion.

It is imperative that participating PSN designated providers identify the perinatal population in the Los Angeles County Participant Reporting System (LACPRS), and determine whether the population is also eligible for other programs, such as CalWORKs or WCRTS.



**SERVICE LIMITS (ASAM 1.0, 2.1, 3.1, 3.3, 3.5)**

The new services outlined in the table below can be claimed according to the “Service Limits” for each participating family unit and child (age 0-5). For residential providers (ASAM 3.1, 3.3, 3.5), all services can be provided to children (age 0-5) accompanying the mother to residential treatment, except transportation which is incorporated within the residential rate.

**EFFECTIVE PERIOD**

These rates and services are in effect between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018. Services that were provided during this period that comply with the service description and limits outlined below, and that were appropriately documented, can be claimed.

In November 2017, SAPC will initiate a workgroup to discuss FY 2018-2019 rates within the context of (1) how to best leverage non-SAPC funding sources to serve children of mothers in treatment and concurrently comply with PSN Guidelines, and (2) what services should be maintained, removed, and/or added to best serve this population using SAPT Perinatal Set-Aside and/or WCRTS funds.

Included in this bulletin is a table describing the new services and corresponding rates.

Please send all questions or inquiries to [asoc@ph.lacounty.gov](mailto:asoc@ph.lacounty.gov).

NEW PERINATAL SERVICE NETWORK CODES: FY 2017-2018								
Service	HCPSC	Rate	Description	Service Limits				
<b>Child Case Management</b>	H0006-C	\$33.83 per 15-minute increment	<b>Arrangement, coordination and monitoring of services for children: primary medical care, primary pediatric care, gender-specific treatment, and therapeutic interventions.<sup>1</sup></b>	4 (four) 15-minute increments (1 hour) per child 0-5 years of age, per month				
<b>Cooperative (Co-Op) Child Care</b>  (Note: A child may receive either T1009 or T2027 not both in a 1-year period)	T1009	\$1.38 per 15-minute increment, per child <sup>2</sup>	<p><b>Provision of licensed-exempt cooperative childcare delivered while the mother is receiving SUD treatment services, and in accordance with the following standards:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff to Caregiver to Child Ratio</li> </ul> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td><b>Age Classification</b></td> <td><b>Staff: Caregiver: Child</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>All ages (0-60 mo.)</td> <td>1:1:12</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Caregivers are defined as a parent, legal guardian, or adult relative of at least one child in the Co-Op</li> <li>Caregivers do not receive compensation or payment for their time</li> <li>Caregivers rotate responsibility for care of all of the children equally among themselves</li> <li>An experienced staff member with training in child development must be present at all times and supervise the caregiver(s)</li> <li>Staff fingerprint clearance or waiver</li> <li>Caregivers signed volunteer agreement and not convicted of child abuse or sex offenses</li> </ul>	<b>Age Classification</b>	<b>Staff: Caregiver: Child</b>	All ages (0-60 mo.)	1:1:12	<p>Total Annual Cap per Child: \$3240.24 or 2,348 units; including weekly limits as follows and based on mother's SUD level of care:</p> <p><u>ASAM 1.0:</u> Up to 9 hours per week for each child 0-5</p> <p><u>ASAM 2.1:</u> Up to 19 hours (if non-pregnant or post-partum mom) or up to 30 hours (if pregnant or post-partum [60-days after delivery] mom) per week for each child 0-5</p> <p><u>ASAM 3.1:</u> Up to 20 hours per week for each child 0-5</p> <p><u>ASAM 3.3:</u> Up to 24 hours per week for each child 0-5</p> <p><u>ASAM 3.5:</u> Up to 22 hours per week for each child 0-5</p>
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<sup>1</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 96 App. A(3).

<sup>2</sup> California Department of Education and CalWORKs Program



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<p><b>Licensed-Like Child Care</b></p> <p>(Note: A child may receive either T1009 or T2027 not both in a 1-year period)</p> <p>(Note: State licensure is not required)</p>	<p>T2027</p>	<p>\$2.14 per 15-minute increment, per child<sup>3</sup></p>	<p><b>Provision of on-site licensed-like childcare delivered while the mother is receiving SUD treatment services, and in accordance with the following standards:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff to Child Ratio:</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="623 411 1055 615"> <thead> <tr> <th>Age Classification</th> <th>Staff: Child</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Infants (0 to 18 mo.)</td> <td>1:3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Toddlers (18 to 36 mo.)</td> <td>1:4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Preschool Age (36 to 60 mo.)</td> <td>1:8</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff fingerprint clearance or waiver</li> </ul>	Age Classification	Staff: Child	Infants (0 to 18 mo.)	1:3	Toddlers (18 to 36 mo.)	1:4	Preschool Age (36 to 60 mo.)	1:8	<p>Total Annual Cap per Child: \$5,025.00 or 2,348 units; including weekly limits as follows and based on mother's SUD level of care:</p> <p><u>ASAM 1.0:</u> Up to 9 hours per week for each child 0-5</p> <p><u>ASAM 2.1:</u> Up to 19 hours (if non-pregnant or post-partum mom) or up to 30 hours (if pregnant or post-partum [60-days after delivery] mom) per week for each child 0-5</p> <p><u>ASAM 3.1:</u> Up to 20 hours per week for each child 0-5</p> <p><u>ASAM 3.3:</u> Up to 24 hours per week for each child 0-5</p> <p><u>ASAM 3.5:</u> Up to 22 hours per week for each child 0-5</p>
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<p><b>Transportation</b></p>	<p>A0080</p>	<p>\$0.51 per mile</p>	<p><b>Transportation (using an agency owned or leased vehicle) for the mother and child(ren) 0-5 years of age to ensure access to the following services<sup>4</sup>:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Primary medical care</li> <li>Primary pediatric care</li> <li>Gender-specific treatment</li> <li>Therapeutic services for children</li> </ul>	<p>Up to 80 miles or \$40.80 per month, per beneficiary family unit, when agencies are not also leveraging transportation services funded by other programs the beneficiary qualifies for/is participating in (e.g., CalWORKs, DCFS).</p> <p><u>NOTE:</u> Not available to residential providers as these costs are built into the rate.</p>								
<p><b>HCPCS Key:</b> (A0060) non-emergency transportation: per mile - case worker or social worker; (H0006-C) alcohol and/or drug services case management with local modifier for the child; (T1009) child sitting services for children of the individual receiving alcohol and/or substance abuse services; (T2027) specialized childcare, waiver, per 15 minutes.</p>												

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<sup>3</sup> California Department of Education and CalWORKs Program

<sup>4</sup> 45 C.F.R § 96.124(e)(5)