

**Substance Abuse Prevention and Control**  
***Preparing for Payment Reform in July 2023***  
**February 22, 2023**  
**10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86759333413?pwd=TnZwOW9Ra1JLOFlzUVExTWo0R0pCZz09>

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**AGENDA**

- I. Welcome & DHCS Update – Michelle Gibson**
- II. Workforce – Michelle Gibson**
  - a. Outpatient/Intensive Outpatient – Practitioner Level Rates
  - b. Strategies to Support Registered Counselors to become Certified Counselors
  - c. Strategies to Address Workforce Shortages and Retention
- III. Overview of Claiming Changes – David Hindman / Greg Schwarz**
  - a. HCPCS – When to use Level I or Level II
  - b. Billing Rules for CPT® Codes
  - c. Next Steps for Providers
- IV. Fiscal Reporting – Daniel Deniz**
  - a. Summary of Findings and Trends
  - b. Lessons Learned
- V. Provider Discussion & Questions – Amy Mcilvaine**
  - a. What has your agency done to address workforce shortages and retention? What worked and what did not?
  - b. What has your agency done to encourage registered counselors to become certified more quickly? What worked and what did not?
  - c. What could your organization do to reinvest revenue (gap between SUD treatment rates and costs) or streamline operations to realign expenditures (if no gap between treatment rates and costs) to support recruitment and retention?
    - i. Are there specific strategies for certified counselors?
    - ii. Are there specific strategies for Licensed Practitioners of the Healing Arts (LPHAs)?
  - d. What should SAPC consider funding as part of workforce incentives effort?
    - i. What is needed to support recruitment and retention?
    - ii. What is needed to enable registered counselor to become certified quicker?
    - iii. How do we prevent the workforce from joining other health sectors?
  - e. What is covered in your recruitment/interview to value the applicant and promote long-term employment at your agency?

## Payment Reform Meeting Schedule:

March 20, 2023	02:00 PM- 3:30 PM
April 18, 2023	03:00 PM- 4:30 PM
May 30, 2023	03:00 PM- 4:30 PM
June 27, 2023	03:00 PM- 4:30 PM

[AB 2473](#)- Raises minimum education standards for registered counselors from 9 hours to 80 hours, same as peer specialists now. Learn more about changes to come.

## PAYMENT REFORM PAST PRESENTATIONS

Payment Reform December 13, 2022 Presentation PDF [Link](#) and Presentation Video [Link](#)

Payment Reform January 24, 2023 Presentation PDF [Link](#) and Presentation Video [Link](#)

## Helpful COVID-19 Links

DPH COVID-19 Website: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus>

DPH COVID-19 Vaccine Website: <http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/coronavirus/vaccine/index.htm>

SAPC COVID-19 Webpage: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/sapc/providers/covid19/>

DHCS COVID-19 Webpage: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Pages/DHCS-COVID%E2%80%91Response.aspx>

SAPC Information Notice 22-01: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/sapc/bulletins/START-ODS/22-01/SAPCIN22-01COVID-19.pdf>

SAPC Information Notice 22-08: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/sapc/bulletins/START-ODS/22-08/SAPCIN22-08COVID-19Vaccination.pdf>

DHCS BHIN 22-051: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/BHIN-22-051.pdf>