
PROVIDER ALERT

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To: Inpatient General Acute Care Hospitals

Subject: COVID Surge Response – Temporary Change in Authorization Parameters for Hospital Based Medically Managed Intensive Inpatient Withdrawal Management Services (ASAM 4-WM).

Dear Provider,

As an interim measure in response to the recent surge in COVID cases, the CT BHP will be temporarily modifying the authorization parameters for medically managed intensive inpatient withdrawal management services (ASAM 4-WM) – hospital based withdrawal management. In an effort to provide administrative relief to inpatient providers who are impacted by this surge, the inpatient withdrawal management authorization parameters will be modified as follows:

Effective February 8, 2022:

Medically Managed Intensive Inpatient Withdrawal Management Services (ASAM 4-WM):

Hospitals providing medically managed intensive inpatient withdrawal management services (ASAM 4-WM) will receive 6 days auto-approved for intensive inpatient withdrawal management services upon submission of web pended pre-cert review in CT BHP Provider Connect portal.

This interim modification will be effective starting February 8, 2022 and CT BHP will reassess at the end of the quarter - March 31, 2022 to determine whether or not the above change will become permanent. We hope these changes will decrease some of the administrative burden for providers. Requests will continue to be monitored for medical necessity.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the CT BHP Provider Relations Department at 1-877-552-8247, Options 1, 2, 7.

Sincerely,

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