When Methadone Prescriber and the Substance Use Disorder Treatment Provider Are Not Within the Same Agency

Community Behavioral Health (CBH) recognizes that Members must have access to treatment based upon their individual needs and preferences. CBH will permit licensed outpatient narcotic treatment programs (NTP) to bill and receive fee for service payment for the dosing to ensure the availability of methadone to Members who receive treatment where methadone is not available. The coordinating treatment programs will typically be a higher level of care, such as Intensive Outpatient, Partial Hospitalization or Residential Rehabilitation Providers.

Effective April 1, 2022, all CBH contracted outpatient methadone maintenance clinics will have two services listed on their contract (Schedule A) to support this specific work:

- 375-02 Methadone Maintenance Daily – $11.63
- 375-12 Methadone Maintenance Take Home Service – $11.63

These services will be billed when the methadone maintenance clinic is not the Member’s primary treating Provider. The Provider who dispenses the methadone will not qualify to receive the ASAM Outpatient case rate for these Members. It is critical that the primary treating Provider and methadone dispensing Provider actively engage in regular coordination of care. All substance use disorder treatment Providers should review the Department of Drug and Alcohol Program (DDAP) Ensuring Access to MAT Across the Continuum of Care guidance document.

Should you have any questions, please contact your Provider Relations Representative.