

ASAM 3.7 Utilization Review Parameters

This bulletin is an update to [Provider Bulletin 22-13: ASAM 3.5 and 3.7 Utilization Review Parameters](#) issued on June 1, 2022 to inform providers of changes in requirements and utilization review parameters for American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) 3.7 levels of care (LOC).

Effective April 1, 2025, CBH will implement the following changes to the initial and concurrent utilization review processes for ASAM 3.7 LOC.

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When an ASAM trained clinician has evaluated a member and determined that they meet criteria for ASAM 3.7, the provider will contact the Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES) line to complete the prior authorization.

Authorization Thresholds

- ➔ If the member is 18 or older and has received treatment in an acute service within the past 30 days, the member will be approved for up to 10 days of initial treatment:
 - » Acute Services impacting the default length of initial authorization include AIP, SubAcute Inpatient (SAIP), Extended Acute Care (EAC), Crisis Residence, 4WM, 4, 3.7WM, 3.5, 3.7, 3.1
 - » An information share with your CBH care manager is required within the first five (5) days of treatment for these members
 - » Subsequent requests for continued stay will be authorized for up to 10 days if the member continues to meet ASAM criteria
- ➔ If the member is 18 or older and has not received treatment in an acute service within the past 30 days, the member will be approved for up to 15 days of initial 3.7 treatment
- ➔ Subsequent requests for continued stay will be authorized for up to 15 days if the member continues to meet ASAM criteria

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Please direct questions about prior authorization or utilization review to [**Marta Warner**](#), Clinical Director for Adult Services. Please direct questions about the provider portal to [**CBH Provider Portal Support**](#).