

Attention Provider,

Beginning on March 18, 2024, MCOs will no longer render room and board payments to Chemical Dependency Treatment Facilities (CDFTs). CDFTs will not be able to submit procedure code H0047 for residential withdrawal management and treatment room and board to Molina for reimbursement.

As a result of CMS clarification informing the state that the CDFT facility type is not eligible for Federal Financial Payment for room and board, HHSC provided guidance to MCOs prohibiting the inclusion room and board as an In-Lieu-of Service for CDFTs. Molina may cover room and board in CDTFs after March 18, 2024, on a case-by-case basis.

Molina will continue to cover room and board payments for members authorized for residential withdrawal management and treatment room and board, and in active treatment at a CDFT at the time of the effective date of this change, until their treatment is complete.

Please note: providers contracted with Molina cannot bill the Member for any covered benefits. There are no copayments, deductibles, or coinsurance for Medicaid members. The Provider is responsible for verifying eligibility and obtaining approval for those services that require prior authorization.

If you have questions about this change, please contact your Provider Relations Representative or email MHTXProviderServices@MolinaHealthcare.com.

Additional Resources:

- UMCM 16.3, "In-Lieu-of-Covered Services and Settings"
- 42 C.F.R § 438.6(e)
- 42 C.F.R § 438.3(e)(2)
- SMD#: 23-001 "RE: Additional Guidance on Use of In Lieu of Services and Settings in Medicaid Managed Care