

Attachment M.10. Approved PHP Name In Lieu of Services

In Lieu of Services are alternative services or settings that are substituted for services or settings covered under the Medicaid or NC Health Choice State Plans or otherwise covered by this Contract but have been determined by the Department to be medically appropriate, cost-effective substitutes for the State Plan services included within this Contract.

The PHP may cover for Members, services or settings that are in lieu of services or settings covered under the State Plans as follows:

1. The Department determines that the alternative service or setting is a medically appropriate and cost-effective substitute based on documentation provided to the Department by the PHP demonstrating such cost effectiveness and clinical effectiveness;
2. Members shall not be required by the PHP to use the alternative service or setting;
3. The approved In Lieu of Services are authorized and identified in this Contract and will be offered to Members at the option of the PHP; and
4. The utilization and actual cost of In Lieu of Services is taken into account in developing the component of the capitation rates that represent the covered State Plan services, unless a federal or State statute or regulation explicitly requires otherwise. In the event In Lieu of Services do not meet cost neutrality, excess expenses will be excluded from the rate development process.

In accordance with *Section V.C. Benefits and Care Management*, the following In Lieu of Services have been approved by the Department:

Attachment M.10. Approved WellCare of North Carolina In Lieu of Services				
No.	Service Name	Procedure Code	Approved	Description
1.	Intensive Outpatient (IOP) for Mental Health	S9480 with Rev Code 905	7/1/2021	IOPs are more cost effective than hospitalization while delivering invaluable group therapy in a setting of supportive professional care, including peer support by those with lived experience to support positive change. Group-based therapy offers Members an opportunity to participate in a community setting to witness the success of those around them and inspire others within the group as they further their own therapy, knowledge of their psychiatric conditions and steps toward sustained recovery. IOPs for treatment of mental health conditions offer services and support programs that operate on a small scale and do not require the intensity associated with hospitalization or residential services characteristic of larger, broader-based treatment centers.
2.	Institute for Mental Disease (IMD) for Acute Psychiatric care	0160	7/1/2021	This service provides 24-hour access to continuous intensive evaluation and treatment delivered in an Institute for Mental Disease (IMD) as defined in CFR 435.1010 for acute and subacute inpatient psychiatric or substance use disorders. Delivery of service is provided by nursing and medical professionals under the supervision of a psychiatrist. Members age 21-64 who meet medical necessity criteria for inpatient level of care may be treated for up to fifteen (15) Calendar Days per calendar month in an IMD.
3.	Behavioral Health Urgent Care (BHUC)	T2016 U5	7/1/2021	Provide crisis stabilization for Members experiencing acute mental health episodes in an urgent care setting in order to decreased crisis/emergency department utilization, decrease inpatient hospital stays, and improve crisis stabilization.
4.	Programs for High Risk Populations	H0046HK	7/1/2021	Specialized therapeutic in-home service is a flexible in-home support service designed for children at risk of foster care, ages 5 through 17, who are at risk for or stepping down from inpatient services. Services are delivered by a team led by a licensed clinician and a targeted case manager, a Master's-level therapist, and a psychiatric nurse as a means to decreased inpatient and crisis utilization and decrease crisis/emergency department utilization.