

JOSH STEIN • Governor

DEVDUTTA SANGVAI • Secretary

JAY LUDLAM • Deputy Secretary, NC Medicaid

# SIGNATURE REQUEST MEMORANDUM

TO: Jay Ludlam M

FROM: Ashley Blango, SPA Manager

**RE:** State Plan Amendment

Title XIX, Social Security Act Transmittal #2025-0020

# Purpose

Attached for your review and signature is a Medicaid State Plan Amendment (Clinically Managed Residential Withdrawal Management ASAM Level 3.2-WM) summarized below, and submitted on December 22, 2025, with a due date of January 2, 2026.

#### Clearance

This amendment has been reviewed for both accuracy and completeness by:

Ashley Blango, Kathryn Horneffer, Todd Baustert, Tabitha Evans, Adam Levinson, Melanie Bush

### **Background and Summary of Request**

It is recommended that you sign this State Plan Amendment submission per Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) protocol as head of the Single State Agency administering the Medicaid program.

The purpose of the revisions to the State Plan Amendment is to increase access to SUD services; and align existing SUD services with The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM), Third Edition, 2013. Clinically Managed Residential Withdrawal Management (ASAM 3.2-WM) is being amended to include a rate increase based on updated rate modeling defined by the Division of Health Benefits. The new rate will be established at \$307.89 per diem effective January 1, 2026. This new rate is intended to sustain provider participation within the Medicaid program, address some of the increased cost of the service, and support access to care statewide.

The proposed effective date for the SPA is January 1, 2026.

Your approval of this State Plan Amendment is requested. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 919-812-6145.

## Staff Qualifications for Each Specific Service (Continued)

<u>Service</u>	Agency Qualifications		Staff Qualifications					
			Authorization See Definitions for QP, AP, PP in Attachment 3.1-A.1 Pages 15a.14-15:				<u>Medical</u> Coverage	
	All facilities must be 16 beds or less	Service Ordered by: MD, Nurse	Qualified	Under Supervision of a Qualified Professional:		Medical Oversight/ Participation by:		
			Practitioner, Physicians Assistant or PhD Psychologist licensed in NC	Professional (QP), includes SA Professionals	Associate Professional	Para- Professional	Psychiatrist/ MD	Registered Nurse* RNs are considered QPs as well
SA Comprehensive Outpatient Treatment	X	X	X	X	X	X	Recipients must have access to MD assessment and tx.	
SA Non- Medical Community Residential Tx	X	X	X	X	X	X		
SA Medically Monitored Residential Tx	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ambulatory Withdrawal Management Without Extended Onsite Monitoring	X	X	X	X	X	X	X (provides assessment w/n 24 hrs.)	X (provides admission assessment /monitors tx
Ambulatory Withdrawal Management With Extended Onsite Monitoring	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Clinically Managed Residential Withdrawal Services	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Medically Monitored Inpatient Withdrawal Service	X	X	X	X	X	X	X (provides assessment w/n 24 hrs.)	X (provides admission assessment /monitors tx
Clinically Managed Low Intensity Residential Service	Х	Х	X	X	X	X		

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MEDICAL ASSISTANCE State: North Carolina

### PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICE

#### 28) Clinically Managed Residential Withdrawal Services (Adult – H0011)

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of Clinically Managed Residential Withdrawal Services. The agency's fee schedule rate of \$248.51 per diem was set as of July 1, 2023 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule is published on the agency's website at <a href="https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee">https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee</a> schedules.

Effective January 1, 2026, the agency's published Enhanced Mental Health Services fee schedule rates are effective for services provided on or after that date. The Enhanced Mental Health Services fee schedule is published on the agency's website at <a href="https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee">https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee</a> schedules.

This service will be provided by direct enrolled Medicaid providers who may be either private or governmental. This service is not cost settled for any provider. This service is provided in accordance with Attachment 3.1-A.1 Page 15a. 12-B.

NC Medicaid is not reimbursing room and board for this service.

In the event this service is operated by a 638 Compact or Indian Health Service Provider, the rate of reimbursement shall be the All-Inclusive Rate (AIR) established on an annual basis as published in the Federal Register.

In the event this service is operated by a 638 Compact or Indian Health Service Provider and is not covered under the criteria to receive the All-Inclusive Rate (AIR), the provider is subject to the NC Medicaid Fee Schedule or other agreed upon rate(s) by the payor.

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