

The following information is provided to clarify the changes announced by MDHHS related to peer recovery coach qualifications. Mid-State Health Network encourages all current or new staff conducting/providing recovery support services who meet the new *Qualified Peer Specialist* requirements to participate in the new State of Michigan certification training if they qualify as described in the next section.

Qualified Peer Specialist (as of January 1, 2018)

Requirements (per MSA 17-45: Peer Recovery Coach Certification):

- Be at least 18 years of age;
- Have two continuous years in recovery from addiction(s) with experience in navigating treatment services and/or prevention;
- Share their recovery story as a tool in helping others;
- Experience receiving publicly-funded treatment and recovery services for addiction(s);
- Be employed at least 10 hours per week by a licensed Substance Use Disorder Treatment Organization, a PIHP, a Community Mental Health Services Program, or another organization under contract to one or more of the forgoing organizations that provides substance abuse treatment and/or recovery support services; and
- Attend and successfully complete the MDHHS Peer Recovery Coach training and certification. NOTE: Trainings have yet to be announced by the state.

Grandparenting past certifications (per letter dated 12.20.17):

- CCAR, MCBAP Certified Peer Recovery Mentor, and Genesee will qualify as state recognized peer recovery coach certification if awarded prior to 1.1.18
- Must submit a copy of certificate and complete an application and meet policy requirements listed above. *Note:* please retain such records in staff personnel files for MSHN credentialing MEV audits.
- There is not a deadline for submitting certificate and application

MSHN's HCPCS/CPT Codes associated with Peer Recovery Support Services – effective 4.1.18:

H0038 – use this code only if peer meets requirements of a Qualified Peer Specialist (effective 1.01.18 described above – refer to MSA17-45). Provider is responsible for maintaining evidence in staff personnel file that peer meets requirements for and has obtained certification from MDHSS (ex: copy of the new certification certificate in personnel file). Service must be face-to-face. Failure to meet provider qualifications will result in recoupment of funds. Funding Source: Medicaid/HMP, Block Grant or PA2

- H0038 (individual) - \$20.00 per 15-minutes
- H0038:TT (group) - \$4.00 per 15-minutes

T1012 – recovery supports services can be delivered by appropriately trained/supervised staff who are not certified peers as described above and in MSA 17-45. Use this code if the peer does not meet the new requirements (per MSA 17-45) or while the peer is in the process of obtaining Peer Recovery Coach Certification (or completing the grandparenting application). Service must be face-to-face. Failure to meet provider qualifications will result in recoupment of funds. Funding Source: Medicaid/HMP, Block Grant or PA2

- T1012 (individual) - \$40.00 per encounter
- T1012:TT (group) - \$6.00 per encounter

Authorizations

Current authorizations for T1012 or H0038 will need to be end dated **effective 3.31.2018**. Providers will need to go into the client chart in REMI, navigate to the “Authorizations” page, and select the “Early Terminate” link beside the authorization containing the T1012 and/or H0038 service codes.

IMPORTANT: *The entire authorization does not need to be early terminated if it contains other service codes; the user should only early terminate the T1012 and/or H0038 codes with an early termination date of 3.31.2018.*

Then, a new authorization for T1012 or H0038 services should be requested using the Ancillary Authorization form with a begin date of 4.1.2018. The provider will need to select the appropriate code (T1012 or H0038) depending on the qualifications of the peer delivering the service as described above. The provider will also need to select the TT modifier for group services or no TT modifier for individual services.

Claims Submission:

Claims submission for dates of service on or after 4.1.2018 should include modifier TT for H0038 and T1012 groups and should be billed for each group member in attendance. Claims submission for consumers receiving an individual session for peer recovery should follow current billing practices and should not include the TT modifier.

Resources:



Peer Recovery Coach Certification Ltr 12.20.



MSA 17-45.pdf



Consultation Summary Project #17



Recovery Coach PREVIOUSLY Certified



FAQ Recovery Coach State Certification 1.17

[PIHP/CMHSP Encounter Reporting Costing Per Code and Code Chart](#)

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