



## Division of Behavioral Health

**Notification:** 1115 Waiver regulations effective February 2, 2024

February 8, 2024

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DBH Provider,

Providers reporting crisis intervention follow up services (procedure codes H2011 TS V1 and/or H2011 TS V2) or certain procedure codes with place of service updates may experience a slight delay in claims payment to allow for manual processing until full Optum system configuration is complete. Optum is working diligently to implement all changes in their system.

Updated Alaska Behavioral Health Provider Standards and Administrative Manuals for SUD and BH Provider Services can be found on the [Medicaid Provider Assistance Information](#) section of the [Division of Behavioral Health](#) (DBH) website or by clicking on the links below.

[\*Alaska Behavioral Health Provider Service Standards & Administrative Procedures for SUD Provider Services \(Effective February 2, 2024\)\*](#)

[\*Alaska Behavioral Health Provider Service Standards & Administrative Procedures for BH Provider Services \(Effective February 2, 2024\)\*](#)

The final versions of both manuals are dated October 9, 2023 (cover page and in footer). This date aligns with Department of Law process and is used for clear version control. *The October 9, 2023, date cannot be changed.*

Providers should refer to the applicable manual dated October 9, 2023, for services performed on or after February 2, 2024.

There is a specific revision to the Alaska Behavioral Health Provider Service Standards & Administrative Procedures for SUD Provider Services.

This revision is described on the following page:

Previously published versions of the SUD Provider Services manuals contained an error on page 7. The error is underlined below:

*Full approval: Individuals with Current Certification*

- *Individuals with Alaska Behavioral Health Certification in good standing as a CDC 1\*, CDC 2, CDCS or CDC admin*
- *Individuals with Behavioral Health Aide Certification in good standing as a BHA 2, BHA 3, BHA-P*
- *Individuals with National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals certification in good standing as a NCAC I, NCAC II, or MAC*
- *Individuals with a PSS in good standing (PSA, PSP1, PSP2, PSP3 And TPSA, TPS1, TPS2, TPS3)*

\* On or after January 1, 2024, CDC 1 must include a copy of their bachelor's diploma per the certifying body's requirements.

This error has been *removed* from the final version of SUD Provider Services Manual published on [Medicaid Provider Assistance Information](#) section of the [Division of Behavioral Health](#) (DBH) website.

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DBH will align CDC requirements at all levels with the Alaska Commission for Behavioral Health Certification (ACBHC). Current guidance from the ACBHC is a bachelor's degree may be required for CDC 2 on or after January 1, 2026.

For questions regarding this guidance, please email [mpassunit@alaska.gov](mailto:mpassunit@alaska.gov); in the subject line please note: Updated 1115 Manuals.