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SUBJECT: Autism – Assessment to Determine Eligibility

SERVICE AFFECTED: Autism – Behavioral Health Treatment/Applied Behavior Analysis

BACKGROUND

Providers use the following assessments to determine or re-determine a person's eligibility for BHT/ABA services: ADOS-2, ADIR and DD-CGAS. Claims for these assessments were submitted with the procedure code and modifier H0031-U5, plus one of the required education-level modifiers (i.e., AH, AJ, or HP). However, the rate paid for the initial eligibility assessments is different from the rate paid for annual eligibility reassessment. In order to distinguish between these two types of claims, DWIHN required the use of the local modifier "AN" to identify annual reassessments. However, no local modifier was required to identify the initial assessment.

PROCEDURE

Effective 11-01-2019, DWIHN will begin using the local modifier "IN" to identify initial assessments. The H0031-U5 fee schedule used for authorizations will be retired and replaced with either H0031-U5-IN (to identify the initial assessments) and with H0031-U5-AN (to identify the annual assessment). Both of these fee schedules require one of the education-level modifiers (i.e., AH, AJ, or HP) when submitted on claims for payment. The rates paid for the initial assessment and annual assessments have not changed.

CHART

Code & Modifiers	Usage Description	Rate
H0031-U5-IN	Authorization for initial assessment	\$0.00
H0031-U5-AN	Authorization for annual assessment	\$0.00
H0031-U5-IN-AH	Claims for initial assessment by Clinical Psychologist	\$480.00
H0031-U5-IN-AJ	Claims for initial assessment by Clinical Social Worker	\$480.00
H0031-U5-IN-HP	Claims for initial assessment by Doctoral provider	\$480.00
H0031-U5-AN-AH	Claims for annual reassessment by Clinical Psychologist	\$240.00
H0031-U5-AN-AJ	Claims for annual reassessment by Clinical Social Worker	\$240.00
H0031-U5-AN-HP	Claims for annual reassessment by Doctoral provider	\$240.00

REFERENCES:

Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual

http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71551_2945_42542_42543_42546_42553-87572--,00.html

MDHHS Website: PIHP/CMHSP Reporting Cost Per Code and Code Chart

https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71550_2941_38765---,00.html

MDHHS Website: PIHP/CMHSP Provider Qualifications Chart

https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71550_2941_38765---,00.html