

BULLETIN

Michigan Medicaid Policy (MMP) | Health Services

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Distribution: All Providers in Michigan's Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP) Regions

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Subject: Behavioral Health Home Expansion and Authorization of Additional Staff

Effective: October 1, 2025

Programs Affected: Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, MICHild, Freedom to Work, or full Fee-for-Service Healthy Kids - Expansion

Note: Implementation of this policy is contingent upon approval of a State Plan Amendment (SPA) by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 2703 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act/Section 1945 of the Social Security Act, the purpose of this policy is to provide for the coverage and reimbursement of Behavioral Health Home (BHH) services. This policy is effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2025. The policy applies to Fee-for-Service (FFS) and managed care beneficiaries enrolled in Medicaid, the Healthy Michigan Plan, MICHild, Freedom to Work, or full FFS Healthy Kids - Expansion who meet BHH eligibility criteria. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has a companion operational guide for BHH providers called the [Behavioral Health Home Handbook](#).

General Information

The BHH provides comprehensive care management and coordination services to Medicaid beneficiaries with select Serious Mental Illness/Serious Emotional Disturbance (SMI/SED) diagnoses. (Refer to the Behavioral Health and Intellectual and Developmental Disability Supports and Services chapter of the [MDHHS Medicaid Provider Manual](#) for a detailed description of the BHH structure.) MDHHS is seeking approval from CMS to revise the current BHH SPA to expand access to Behavioral Health Home services in Genesee, Sanilac, and St. Clair Counties within PIHP Region 10 and add the following staff to the health home staffing structure: SOAR Navigator, Housing Specialist, and Parent Support Partner. The incorporation of SOAR Navigators and Housing Specialists into the health home staffing structure will significantly enhance support for beneficiaries facing Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) such as lack of

housing or income. The addition of Parent Support Partners aims to provide families with essential peer support and guidance, ultimately improving engagement and fostering better outcomes for children and youth.

Provider Staffing

This policy updates provider staffing to the following ratios per 100 beneficiaries.

Title	FTE
Health Home Director	0.25
Behavioral Health Specialist	0.25
Nurse Care Manager	1.00
Peer Support Specialist, Peer Recovery Coach, Youth Peer Support Specialist, Parent Support Partner, Community Health Worker, Medical Assistant, SOAR Navigator, Housing Specialist	3.00-5.00
Medical Consultant	0.10
Psychiatric Consultant	0.10
Total FTE	4.70-6.70

Manual Maintenance

Retain this bulletin until the information is incorporated into the MDHHS Medicaid Provider Manual.

Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Health and Human Services, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mailed to ProviderSupport@michigan.gov. When you submit an e-mail, be sure to include your name, affiliation, NPI number, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Typical Providers may phone toll-free 800-292-2550. Atypical Providers may phone toll-free 800-979-4662.

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