

Procedure: MDHHS Network Adequacy Standards—Medicaid Specialty Behavioral Health Services

MDHHS Specialty Behavioral Health Network Adequacy Standards

The Code of Federal Regulations at 42 CFR Parts 438.68 and 457.1218 requires the states holding managed care contracts to develop and implement network adequacy standards. Furthermore, 42 CFR 438.68(b)(iii) indicates that standards pertinent to behavioral health must be developed for the adult and pediatric populations. Pursuant to the federal rules, Michigan’s specialty behavioral health standards reflect time/distance standards and Medicaid enrollee-to-provider ratios for services congruent with community need and statewide strategic priorities. The following adult and pediatric services have been identified for reporting beginning in Fiscal Year 2024.

Adult	Pediatric
Assertive Community Treatment (H0039)	Crisis Residential Programs (H0018)
Crisis Residential Programs (H0018)	Home-Based Services (H0036, H2033)
Opioid Treatment Programs (H0020)	Wraparound Services (H2021, H2022)
Psychosocial Rehabilitation Programs (Clubhouses) (H2030)	Intensive Crisis Stabilization Services for Children (Mobile Response with two-person team) H2011HT
Inpatient Psychiatric (0100, 0114, 0124, 0134, 0154)	Respite Services (T1005, H0045, S5151)
	Parent Support Partners (S5111-WP)
	Youth Peer Supports (H0038-WT)
	Inpatient Psychiatric (0100, 0114, 0124, 0134, 0154)

Time/distance standards are categorized by Large Metro, Metro, Micro, Rural, and Counties with Extreme Access Considerations (CEAU)¹. The enrollee-to-provider ratio standards apply to all services except inpatient psychiatric services. In adherence to the federal rules and MSA Policy 18-49, the following standards are in effect for all PIHP contracts beginning in the Fiscal Year 2024 reporting period:

Time and Distance Standards:

1. US Census Bureau 2020 Decennial Population Data
2. 42 CFR 422.116
3. Note: Opioid Treatment Program Standards reflect both the adult and children populations.

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Service	CEAU	Rural	Micro	Metro	Large Metro
Inpatient Psychiatric²	155 minutes/140 miles	90 minutes/75 miles	100 minutes/75 miles	70 minutes/45 miles	30 minutes/15 miles
All Other Services	118 minutes/105 miles	75 minutes/60 miles	70 minutes/53 miles	45 minutes/30 miles	20 minutes/10 miles

Medicaid Enrollee-to-Provider Ratio Standards for Select Services

Adult Standards

Service	Standard
Assertive Community Treatment	30,000:1 (Medicaid Enrollee to Provider Ratio)
Psychosocial Rehabilitation (Clubhouses)	45,000:1 (Medicaid Enrollee to Provider Ratio)
Opioid Treatment Programs³	35,000:1 (Medicaid Enrollee to Provider Ratio)
Crisis Residential	16 beds per 500,000 Total Population

Pediatric Standards

Service	Standard
Home-Based	2,000:1 (Medicaid Enrollee to Provider Ratio)
Wraparound	5,000:1 (Medicaid Enrollee to Provider Ratio)
Crisis Residential	8-12 beds per 500,000 Total Population
Intensive Crisis Stabilization Services	FY24 Data Collected as Informational Only
Respite Services	FY24 Data Collected as Informational Only
Parent Support Partners	FY24 Data Collected as Informational Only
Youth Peer Supports	FY24 Data Collected as Informational Only

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MDHHS Required Regional Specific Plans per 438.68(b)(3)

MDHHS requires each PIHP to submit plans on how the standards will be effectuated by region.

Understanding their diversity, MDHHS expects to see nuances within the PIHPs to best accommodate the local populations served. PIHPs must consider at least the following parameters for their plans:

- 1) Maximum time and distance
- 2) Timely appointments
- 3) Language, Cultural competence, and Physical accessibility—438.68(c)(vii), 438.68(c)(viii)

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