

13.d.1 – Community Mental Health Rehabilitative Services in accordance with 42 CFR 440.130(d)

The covered Community Mental Health Rehabilitative Services will be available to all Medicaid eligibles with mental illness and substance abuse disorders and who are medically determined to need rehabilitative services. These services must be ordered by a physician or other licensed practitioner within the scope of his/her practice under state law and furnished by or under the direction of a physician or other practitioners operating within the scope of applicable state law, to promote the maximum reduction of symptoms and/or restoration of a recipient to his/her best possible functional level.

The covered Community Mental Health Rehabilitative Services are reimbursed when delivered within enrolled agencies meeting the requirements listed herein. The State does not arbitrarily limit Medicaid providers. The State enrolls any willing provider that meets the qualifications required to be a service provider as outlined in the Policies and Procedures Manual that is made available to all interested providers. Individual practitioners are not enrolled in this program. Provider agency qualifications to provide these services are ensured by provider compliance with requirements and standards of the Joint Commission on Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), Commission on Accreditation for Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), Council on Accreditation of Services for Children and Families, Inc. (COA), Council on Quality Leadership (CQL), and/or State certification. Individual practitioners working within these provider agencies are required to meet all applicable licensure and certification requirements and adhere to Georgia law and the scope of practice definitions of licensure boards.

The participants are given freedom of choice to choose a qualified, enrolled service provider. A toll-free access number provides information regarding the available services and providers to participants and family members seeking behavioral healthcare services. The Department of Human Resources, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Addictive Diseases (MHDDAD) regional and central offices are also available to provide information to individuals seeking behavioral healthcare services through this program and participants may also access services by directly contacting providers of their choice.

Table of Practitioners Employed by Provider Agencies:

Professional Title	Minimum Level of Education/Degree/ Experience Required	License/ Certification Required	Supervision	State Code
Physician	Graduate of medical or osteopathic college	Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Medical Examiners	No. Additionally, can supervise others	43-34-20 to 43-34-37

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Psychiatrist	Graduate of medical or osteopathic college and a residency in psychiatry approved by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology	Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Medical Examiners	No. Additionally, can supervise others	43-34-20 to 43-34-37
Physician's Assistant (PA)	Completion of a physician's assistant training program approved by the Georgia Composite Board of Medical Examiners -- at least 1 year of experience in behavioral healthcare required to supervise CPRP, CPS, or PP staff	Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Medical Examiners	Physician delegates functions through Board-approved job description.	43-34-100 to 43-34-108
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN): Clinical Nurse Specialist/Psychiatric-Mental Health (CNS-PMH) and Nurse Practitioner (NP)	R.N. and graduation from a post-basic education program for Nurse Practitioners Master's degree or higher in nursing for the CNS/PMH -- Nurse Practitioners must have at least 1 year of experience in behavioral healthcare to supervise CPRP, CPS, or PP staff	Current certification by American Nurses Association, American Nurses Credentialing Center or American Academy of Nurse Practitioners and authorized as an APRN by the Georgia Board of Nursing	Physician delegates advanced practice functions through Board-approved nurse protocol agreements.	43-26-1 to 43-26-13, 360-32
Licensed Pharmacist	Graduated and received an undergraduate degree from a college or school of pharmacy; completed a Board-approved internship and passed an examination.	Licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy	No	26-4
Registered Nurse (RN)	Georgia Board of Nursing-approved nursing education program -- at least 1 year of experience in behavioral healthcare required to supervise CPRP, CPS, or PP	Licensed by the Georgia Board of Nursing	Physician	43-26-1 to 46-23-13
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	Graduation from a nursing education program approved by the Georgia Board of Licensed Practical Nursing.	Licensed by Georgia Board of Licensed Practical Nursing	Physician or RN	43-26-30 to 43-26-43

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Licensed Dietician (LD)	- Bachelor's degree or higher with a degree in dietetics, human nutrition, food and nutrition, nutrition education or food systems management. - Satisfactory completion of at least 900 hours of supervised experience in dietetic practice	Licensed by Georgia Board of Licensed Dieticians	No	43-11A-1 to 43-11A-19
Qualified Medication Aide (QMA)	Completion of a prescribed course conducted by the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education and pass examination for qualified medication aides approved by the Georgia Board of Licensed Practical Nursing.	Certified by the Georgia Board of Licensed Practical Nursing	Supervised by RN performing certain medication administration tasks as delegated by RN or LPN.	43-26-50 to 43-26-60
Psychologist	Doctoral Degree	Licensed by the Georgia Board of Examiners of Psychologists	No. Additionally, can supervise others	43-39-1 to 43-39-20
Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)	Masters degree in Social Work plus 3 years' supervised full-time work in the practice of social work after the Master's degree.	Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists	No. Additionally, can supervise others	43-10A
Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC)	Master's degree	Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists	No. Additionally, can supervise others	43-10A
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Master's degree	Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists	No. Additionally, can supervise others	43-10A
Licensed Master's Social Worker (LMSW)	Master's degree in Social Work	Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists	Under direction and supervision of an appropriately licensed/credentialed professional.	43-10A

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Licensed Associate Professional Counselor (LAPC)	Master's degree	Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists	Under direction and supervision of an appropriately licensed/credentialed professional	43-10A
Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapist (LAMFT)	Master's degree	Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists	Under direction and supervision of an appropriately licensed/credentialed professional	43-10A
Certified Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CCADC)	Master's degree; Also requires minimum of 2 years or 4,000 hours experience in direct alcohol and drug abuse treatment with individual and/or group counseling and a total of 270 hours of addiction-specific education and 300 hours of supervised training.	Certification by the Alcohol and Drug Certification Board of Georgia; International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium / Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (IC&RC)	Services limited to those practices sanctioned by the certifying board and shall in any event be limited to the provision of chemical dependency treatment	43-10A-7
Georgia Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor Level III (GCADC III)	Master's degree; Also must have been certified by a national organization and have taken a written and oral examination in the past and must have been continuously certified for a period of 2 years; Must meet the standards outlined in the Ga. Code rules posted on the licensing board website: Perform the 12 core functions; Education and training; Supervised practicum; Experience and supervision	Certification by the Alcohol and Drug Certification Board of Georgia (ADACB-GA)	Services limited to those practices sanctioned by the certifying board and shall in any event be limited to the provision of chemical dependency treatment	43-10A-7

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Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC)	Master's Degree Documentation of a minimum of 12 semester hours of graduate coursework in the area of OR 500 CE hours specifically in addictions. Three years supervised experience as an addictions counselor at no fewer than 20 hours per week. Two of the three years must have been completed after the counseling master's degree was conferred. A passing score on the Examination for Master Addictions Counselors (EMAC).	Certification by the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC) Nationally Certified Counselor (NCC) credential – must be Licensed by the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists	Services limited to those practices sanctioned by the certifying board and shall in any event be limited to the provision of chemical dependency treatment	43-10A-7
Master Addiction Counselor, (MAC) through National Association of Alcohol and Drug Counselors, (NAADC)	Master's degree; 500 contact hours of specific alcoholism and drug abuse counseling training). Three years full-time or 6,000 hours of supervised experience, two years or 4,000 hours of which must be post master's degree award. Passing score on the national examination for the MAC	Certification by the National Association Alcohol & Drug Counselors' Current state certification /licensure in alcoholism and/or drug abuse counseling. Passing score on the national examination for the MAC	Services limited to those practices sanctioned by the certifying board and shall in any event be limited to the provision of chemical dependency treatment	43-10A-7
Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC)	Bachelor's degree; Also requires minimum of 2 years or 4,000 hours experience in direct alcohol and drug abuse treatment with individual and/or group counseling and a total of 270 hours of addiction-specific education and 300 hours of supervised training	Certification by the Alcohol and Drug Certification Board of Georgia (ADACB-GA) International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium / Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (IC&RC)	Services limited to those practices sanctioned by the certifying board and shall in any event be limited to the provision of chemical dependency treatment	43-10A-7

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Georgia Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor II (GCADC II)	Bachelors degree; Must be certified by a national organization and have taken a written and oral examination; Must have been continuously certified for a period of 2 years; Must meet the standards outlined in the Ga. Code rules posted on the licensing board website: Perform the 12 core functions; Education and training; Supervised practicum; Experience and supervision	Certification by the Alcohol and Drug Certification Board of Georgia (ADACB-GA)	Services limited to those practices sanctioned by the certifying board and shall in any event be limited to the provision of chemical dependency treatment	43-10A-7
Certified Addiction Counselor, Level II (CAC-II)	Bachelor's degree; Requires 3 years of experience in practice of chemical dependency/abuse counseling; 270 hours education in addiction field; and 144 hours clinical supervision	Certification by the Georgia Addiction Counselors' Association	Services limited to those practices sanctioned by the certifying board and shall in any event be limited to the provision of chemical dependency treatment	43-10A-7
Certified Addiction Counselor, Level I (CAC-I)	High School Diploma/Equivalent; Requires 2 years of experience in the practice of chemical dependency/abuse counseling; 180 hours education in addiction field; and 96 hours clinical supervision.	Certification by the Georgia Addiction Counselors' Association	Services limited to those practices sanctioned by the certifying board and shall in any event be limited to the provision of chemical dependency treatment, Under supervision of a Certified Clinical Supervisor	43-10A-7

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Registered Alcohol and Drug Technician I, II, III	High school diploma or its equivalent and must be enrolled in a junior college, college or university. Must document a minimum of one (1) year or two thousand (2000) hours experience of direct service (alcohol and drug counseling). Once the RADT has completed 30 college credit hours he/she is eligible to take the ICRC written exam. Upon passing the ICRC Written exam, a RADT-II certificate is issued. Once the RADT-II has completed 60 college credit hours, he/she is eligible to take the oral case presentation. Upon successful completion of the oral case presentation, receives a RADT-III certificate is issued. Upon completion of BS degree and experience a CADC will be issued	Registered/certified by the Alcohol and Drug Certification Board of	Services limited to those practices sanctioned by the certifying board and shall in any event be limited to the provision of chemical dependency treatment, Under supervision of a Certified Clinical Supervisor; CADC; CCADC, LPC, LCSW	43-10A-7
Addiction Counselor Trainees	High school diploma/equivalent and actively pursuing certification as CAC-I, CAC-II, RADT I, II, III; CADC or CCADC or other addiction counselor certification recognized by practice acts.	Employed by an agency or facility that is licensed to provide addiction counseling	Under supervision of a Certified Clinical Supervisor (CCS); CADC; CCADC	
Certified Psychiatric Rehabilitation Professional (CPRP)	High school diploma/equivalent, Associates Degree, Bachelor's Degree, Graduate Degree with required experience working in Psychiatric Rehabilitation (varies by level and type of degree)	Certified by the US Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association (USPRA, formerly IASPRS)	Under supervision of an appropriately licensed/credentialed professional	

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Certified Peer Specialist (CPS)	High school diploma/equivalent	Certification by the Georgia Certified Peer Specialist Project Requires a minimum of 40 hours of Certified Peer Specialist Training, and successful completion of a certification exam.	Services shall be limited to those not requiring licensure, but are provided under the supervision of an appropriately licensed/credentialed professional.	
Paraprofessional (PP)	College training in one of the behavioral or social sciences, or completion of standardized training program for paraprofessionals approved by the Department of Community Health.	Completion of a minimum of 40 hours of paraprofessional training and successful completion of all written exams and competency-based skills demonstrations.	Under supervision of an appropriately licensed/credentialed professional	

Limitations

Rehabilitative services do not include reimbursement for room and board and reimbursement will not be provided for services provided to individuals in an IMD. The covered services are available only to Medicaid eligible recipients with a written service plan, which contains medically necessary services ordered by a physician or other licensed practitioners operating within the scope of state law. All treatment and rehabilitative services are focused on the Medicaid eligible individual. Any consultation or treatment involving families or other persons is solely for the purpose of addressing the mental health needs of the Medicaid recipient.

Service utilization is managed through the use of prior authorizations which set maximum units within an authorization period. Authorization periods vary according to service and may range between 12 weeks to 12 months. At the outset of services and again when the authorization period expires or maximum units have been reached, a request must be submitted to the URAC-accredited External Review Organization to justify provision of services based upon medical necessity of the service for the Medicaid recipient.

The services are defined as follows:

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Behavioral Health Assessment

The behavioral health assessment process consists of a face-to-face comprehensive clinical assessment with the individual, which must include the individual's perspective, and may also include consumer-identified family and/or significant others as well as collateral agencies/treatment providers. The purpose of the assessment process is to gather all information needed to determine the individual's symptoms, strengths, needs, abilities and preferences, to develop a social and medical history, to determine functional level and to develop or review collateral assessment information. This service may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Mental Health Assessment by a non-physician	<p>Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, APRN, PA</p> <p>Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN</p> <p>Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainees with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology (addictions counselors may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent (practitioners at this level may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).</p>

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Service Plan Development

The service plan development process results in a written, individualized service plan. The plan is formulated through a collaborative process with the individual that includes all necessary treatment and rehabilitative services. The individualized service plan includes the treatment objectives/outcomes, the expected frequency and duration of each service, the type of practitioner providing the service and its location, and the schedule of updates to the individualized service plan. Service plans must be reviewed at least annually or when there is a change in the individual's service needs. Each service plan and subsequent revisions must be authorized by a physician or other licensed practitioner authorized by state law to recommend a course of treatment. This service may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Mental Health Service Plan Development by a non-physician	<p>Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, APRN, PA</p> <p>Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN</p> <p>Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC(II, III); CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, psychology, or criminology (addictions counselors may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent (practitioners at this level may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).</p>

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Diagnostic Assessment

The psychiatric diagnostic examination provides a comprehensive assessment of the medical and psychiatric treatment needs of the individual. The results of nursing assessments and behavioral health assessments are used by the physician as an integral part of the psychiatric assessment process which results in a diagnosis and associated treatment decisions. Diagnostic assessments may involve specific psycho-diagnostic assessments performed by licensed psychologists or certain other licensed practitioners, or their supervisee/trainee in the administration of psychological tests, the results of which assist in the determination of a diagnosis and treatment recommendations. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Psychiatric Diagnostic Examination	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist
	Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist CNS-PMH (Clinical Nurse Specialist in Psychiatric/Mental Health), Nurse Practitioner, Physician Assistant
Interactive Psychiatric Diagnostic Interview examination using play equipment, physical devices, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of communication	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist
	Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist CNS-PMH (Clinical Nurse Specialist in Psychiatric/Mental Health), Nurse Practitioner, Physician Assistant
Psychological Testing – Psycho-diagnostic assessment of emotionality, intellectual abilities, personality and psychopathology e.g. MMPI, Rorschach, WAIS (per hour of psychologists or physicians time, both face-to-face with the patient and times interpreting test results and preparing the report)	Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist
Psychological Testing – Psycho-diagnostic assessment of emotionality, intellectual abilities, personality and psychopathology (e.g. MMPI, Rorschach, WAIS) with qualified health care professional interpretation and report, administered by technician, per hour of technician time, face-to-face.	Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT in conjunction with Psychologist Practitioner Level 4: Psychologist's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state

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Crisis Intervention Services

This service entails a face-to-face short-term intervention with individuals in an active state of crisis. Interventions include a brief, situational assessment; verbal interventions to de-escalate the crisis; assistance in immediate crisis resolution; mobilization of natural support systems; and referral to alternate services at the appropriate level. This service is not duplicative of the comprehensive, in-depth assessments included in Behavioral Health Assessment or Diagnostic Assessment and does not duplicate the comprehensive and proactive planning for crisis management that is included in Service Plan Development. Crisis intervention services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Services may be provided in a clinic setting or can occur in a variety of other settings including the consumer's home, local emergency departments, or other community settings when the situation is such that it is medically necessary to deliver the services wherever the consumer is located outside the clinic.

Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Crisis Intervention Services	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), Physician's Assistant (PA) Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state.

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Psychiatric Treatment

Psychiatric treatment encompasses the provision of specialized medical and/or psychiatric interventions that will result in improved levels of functioning or maintaining existing levels of functioning. Psychiatric treatment includes the ongoing care related to the behavioral healthcare needs of the individual as specified in the individualized service plan through pharmacological management and individual psychotherapeutic services coupled with medical evaluation and pharmacological management. Service plans which include these services must be authorized by a physician. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Individual Psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior-modifying and/or supportive in an office or outpatient facility, approximately <u>20-30 minutes</u> face-to-face with patient <u>with medical evaluation and management services.</u>	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist
	Practitioner Level 2: CNS-PMH (Clinical Nurse Specialist in Psychiatric/Mental Health)
Individual Psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior-modifying and/or supportive in an office or outpatient facility, approximately <u>45-50 minutes</u> face-to-face with patient <u>with medical evaluation and management services.</u>	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist
	Practitioner Level 2: CNS-PMH (Clinical Nurse Specialist in Psychiatric/Mental Health)
Pharmacological Management	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist
	Practitioner Level 2: PA or APRN (if authority to perform this task is delegated by physician through approved job description or protocol)
Alcohol and/or drug services, Ambulatory Detoxification	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist
	Practitioner Level 2: PA or APRN

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Nursing Assessment and Care

Nursing Assessment and Care services are face-to-face contacts with a consumer to monitor, evaluate, assess, establish nursing goals, and/or carry out physicians' orders regarding treatment and rehabilitation of the physical and/or behavioral health problems of a consumer as specified in the individualized service plan. It includes providing special nursing assessments to observe, monitor and care for physical, nutritional and psychological issues, problems, or crises manifested in the course of the consumers treatment; to assess and monitor individual's response to medication to determine the need to continue medication and/or for a physician referral for a medication review; assessing and monitoring an individual's medical and other health issues that are either directly related to the mental health or substance related disorder, or to the treatment of the disorder (e.g. diabetes, cardiac and/or blood pressure issues, substance withdrawal symptoms, weight gain and fluid retention, seizures, etc); venipuncture required to monitor and assess mental health, substance disorders or directly related conditions, and to monitor side effects of psychotropic medication; consultation with the consumer's family and/or significant others for the benefit of the client about medical and nutritional issues; and provision of medication education to the consumer and family and training for self-administration of medication. Service plans which include these services must be authorized by a physician. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Nursing Assessment / Evaluation	Practitioner Level 2: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Practitioner Level 3: Registered Nurse (RN), Practitioner Level 4: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
RN Services, up to 15 minutes	Practitioner Level 2: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Practitioner Level 3: Registered Nurse (RN)
LPN/LVN Services, up to 15 minutes	Practitioner Level 4: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

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Health and Behavior Assessment (e.g. health-focused clinical interview, behavioral observations, psycho-physiological monitoring, health-oriented questionnaires), each 15 minutes face-to-face with the patient, <u>initial assessment</u>	Practitioner Level 2: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Practitioner Level 3: Registered Nurse (RN), Licensed Dietician (LD) Practitioner Level 4: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
Health and Behavior Assessment (e.g. health-focused clinical interview, behavioral observations, psycho-physiological monitoring, health-oriented questionnaires), each 15 minutes face-to-face with the patient, <u>re-assessment</u>	Practitioner Level 2: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Practitioner Level 3: Registered Nurse (RN), Licensed Dietician (LD) Practitioner Level 4: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
Alcohol and/or drug services, Ambulatory Detoxification	Practitioner Level 2: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Practitioner Level 3: Registered Nurse (RN) Practitioner Level 4: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Individual Outpatient Services

Individual outpatient services provide face-to-face counseling and psychotherapy services for symptom/behavior management of mental health problems and addictive diseases. Services are directed toward symptom reduction and restoration of functional abilities as delineated in the individualized service plan. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

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Individual Psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior-modifying and/or supportive in an office or outpatient facility, approximately <u>20-30 minutes</u> face-to-face with patient (appropriate license required)	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist (reimbursed at Level 2 rate)
Individual Psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior-modifying and/or supportive in an office or outpatient facility, approximately <u>45-50 minutes</u> face-to-face with patient (appropriate license required)	Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, CNS-PMH Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN
Individual Psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior-modifying and/or supportive in an office or outpatient facility, approximately <u>75-80 minutes</u> face-to-face with patient (appropriate license required)	Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); CAC-I or
Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical devices, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication, in an office or outpatient facility, approximately <u>20-30 minutes</u> face-to-face with patient (appropriate license required)	Addiction Counselor Trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology (addiction counselors may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).
Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical devices, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication, in an office or outpatient facility, approximately <u>45-50 minutes</u> face-to-face with patient (appropriate license required)	Practitioner Level 5: CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent (practitioners at this level may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).
Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical devices, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication, in an office or outpatient facility, approximately <u>75-80 minutes</u> face-to-face with patient (appropriate license required)	

Family Outpatient Services

Family outpatient services provide face-to-face counseling, psychotherapy, and skills training services to the eligible individuals and their families for symptom reduction/behavior management of mental health problems and addictive diseases according to the individualized service plan. Services are directed toward the identified individual and the restoration of adaptive behaviors and skills, functional abilities, and the interpersonal skills

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and functioning of the individual within the family unit to the maximum extent possible. Services include counseling, therapy, and/or education and training for the individual and family members (for the benefit of the individual) regarding mental health and substance abuse disorders and prescribed medication (including adherence to medication regimen); problem solving, interpersonal, communication and coping skills; adaptive behaviors and skills; and skills and abilities necessary to access community resources and support systems. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Family Outpatient Services – Behavioral health counseling and therapy (with client present)	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist (reimbursed at Level 2 rate)
Family Outpatient Services – Behavioral health counseling and therapy (without client present)	Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, CNS-PMH Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN
Family Psychotherapy without the patient present	Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainees with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology (addiction counselors may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).
Conjoint Family Psychotherapy with the patient present	Practitioner Level 5: CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent (practitioners at this level may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).

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<p>Family - Skills training and development</p>	<p>Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, APRN, PA (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); PP, CPRP, CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainees with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: CPS, PP, CPRP, CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent under supervision of one of the licensed/credentialed professionals above</p>
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Group Outpatient Services

Group outpatient services provide face-to-face counseling, psychotherapy, and skills training services to the eligible individuals for symptom reduction/ behavior management of mental health problems and addictive diseases according to the individualized service plan. Services are provided to individuals in a group setting. Services may include counseling, therapy, and/or skills training/education for the individuals in the group regarding mental health and substance abuse disorders; problem solving, interpersonal, communication, relapse prevention, and coping skills; adaptive behaviors and skills; and skills and abilities necessary to access and benefit from community resources and natural support systems. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Group Counseling – Behavioral health counseling and therapy	Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist (reimbursed at Level 2 rate)
Group Counseling – Behavioral health counseling and therapy	Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, CNS-PMH
Group Counseling – Behavioral health counseling and therapy	Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN
Group Psychotherapy other than of a multiple family group	Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainees with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology (may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases). Practitioner Level 5: CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent (practitioners at this level may only perform these functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).

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Group Skills training and development	<p>Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, APRN, PA (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, (continued on next page) CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); PP, CPRP, CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainees with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: CPS, PP, CPRP, CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent under supervision of one of the licensed/credentialed professionals above</p>
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Medication Administration

Medication Administration is the giving or administration of an oral or injectable medication. Medication administration includes educating the individual about their medications, assessment of the consumer's physical and behavioral status prior to medication administration, and determination of whether to administer the medication or refer the consumer to the physician for medication review. Service plans which include these services must be authorized by a physician. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Comprehensive Medication Services	<p>Practitioner Level 2: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), PA, Pharmacist</p> <p>Practitioner Level 3: Registered Nurse (RN)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 4: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: Qualified Medication Aide (QMA can do only when working in a community living arrangement)</p>

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Therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic injection	Practitioner Level 2: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), PA, Pharmacist Practitioner Level 3: Registered Nurse (RN) Practitioner Level 4: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
Alcohol, and/or drug services, methadone administration and/or service (provision of the drug by a licensed program)	Practitioner Level 2: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), PA, Pharmacist Practitioner Level 3: Registered Nurse (RN) Practitioner Level 4: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Intensive Family Intervention

This is a time-limited, community-based, intensive behavioral health intervention delivered to children and youth with emotional disturbances or co-occurring emotional disturbances and substance use disorders. Services are directed towards the identified youth and his or her behavioral health needs and goals as identified in the individualized service plan. Services include therapeutic and rehabilitative interventions with the individual and family to correct or ameliorate symptoms of mental health and/or substance abuse problems and to reduce the likelihood of the need for more intensive/restrictive services. These services may be provided in or outside the clinic setting but services are delivered primarily in the family's home and promote a family-based focus in order to evaluate the nature of the difficulties, defuse behavioral health crises, intervene to reduce the likelihood of a recurrence, ensure linkage to needed community services and resources, and improve the individual child's/adolescent's ability to self-recognize and self-manage behavioral health issues, as well as the parents'/responsible caregivers' skills to care for their children's mental health and addictive disease problems. Specialized therapeutic and rehabilitative interventions are available to address special areas such as problem sexual behaviors and the effects of domestic violence.

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Intensive Family Intervention	<p>Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, CNS-PMH (reimbursed at Level 3 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN</p> <p>Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); PP, CPRP, CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainees with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology (addictions counselors may only perform counseling functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: CPS, PP, CPRP, CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent under supervision of one of the licensed/credentialed professionals above</p>

Psychosocial Rehabilitation

A therapeutic rehabilitative social skill building service provided to assist individuals in restoring the individual to the maximum possible functional level by improving social, interpersonal, problem-solving, coping, and communication skills. Services include, but are not limited to: didactic training, structured practice, skills training and coaching techniques focusing on the development of problem-solving abilities, social and communication skills, medication self-management abilities and functional abilities. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

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Psychosocial Rehabilitation	<p>Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, APRN, PA (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); PP, CPS, CPRP, CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainees with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: CPS, PP, CPRP, CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent under supervision of one of the licensed/credentialed professionals above</p>

Community Support Services

Community support services consist of mental health and substance abuse rehabilitative services and supports necessary to assist the person in achieving rehabilitative and recovery goals as identified in the individualized service plan. The service includes skills training/education in a variety of areas including problem-solving, interpersonal, communication, and community coping skills, including adaptation to home, school and work environments; symptom monitoring and self management of symptoms. The focus of the interventions include assisting the individual in identification of service needs, minimizing the negative effects of symptoms of mental health problems and addictive diseases which interfere with the consumer's daily living skills, independent functioning and personal development; developing strategies and supportive interventions for avoiding out-of-home placement or the need for more intensive services; assisting consumers to increase social support skills that ameliorate life stresses resulting from the consumer's disability and coordinating rehabilitative services as specified in the individualized service plan. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community.

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Community Support Services	<p>Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, APRN, PA (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN (reimbursed at Level 4 rate)</p> <p>Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); PP, CPS, CPRP, CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainees with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: CPS, PP, CPRP, CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent under supervision of one of the licensed/credentialed professionals above</p>

Peer Support

This service provides structured, scheduled activities that promote socialization, recovery, self-advocacy, development of natural supports, and maintenance of community living skills, by Certified Peer Specialists under the direct supervision of a mental health professional. Consumers actively participate in decision-making and program operation. Services are directed toward achievement of the specific goals defined by the individual and specified in the Individual Service Plan (ISP), and provided under the direct supervision of a Mental Health Professional. The interpersonal interactions and activities within the program are directed, supervised, guided and facilitated by the Mental Health Professional in such a way to create the therapeutic community or therapeutic effect required to achieve individual treatment goals within a controlled environment. This concept is similar to the manner in which the staff leader in group therapy sessions or therapeutic community setting utilizes the interactions of the group members to achieve the desired individual therapy goals. These services may be provided in a clinic or outside the clinic setting in the community. Practitioners are required to hold current certification from the Georgia Certified Peer Support Project.

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Description	Practitioners
Peer Support	<p>Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT's supervisee/trainee; and CPSs, PPs with at least a Bachelor's degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: CPS, PP under supervision of a Physician, Psychologist, LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN, APRN, PA, LMSW, LAPC, or LAMFT</p>

Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)

ACT is an intensive behavioral health service for consumers discharged from a hospital after multiple or extended stays, or who are difficult to engage in treatment. Specific interventions provided to participants are included on the individualized recovery plan (IRP) as medically necessary and include a comprehensive and integrated set of interventions including psychiatric and nursing services; support and assistance in restoration and maintenance of daily living skills (grooming, personal hygiene, nutrition; health and mental health education; medication management and monitoring; self-medication training and support; money management and maintenance of the living environment); relapse prevention skills training and substance abuse counseling; problem-solving, social, interpersonal, and communication skills training; development of appropriate personal support networks; telephone and face-to-face monitoring and counseling/crisis intervention services; and symptom assessment, management and individual supportive therapy; psychosocial rehabilitation and skill development; consultation and psycho-educational support for individuals and their families. psycho-educational support for individuals and their families.

The composition of the team must include at least one of each of the following practitioners: Psychiatrist, Registered Nurse, Certified Addiction Counselor, Certified Peer Specialist, one licensed practitioner who must be either a Psychologist, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Professional Counselors, or Licensed Marriage and Family Therapy, and at least two other team members, such as Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapists, Licensed Associate Professional Counselors, and Licensed Master's Social Workers and certified paraprofessionals, who must work under the supervision of the licensed staff.. The team may also include any additional staff members listed in the practitioner table below.

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Distinct Billable Services:

Description	Practitioners
Assertive Community Treatment	<p>Practitioner Level 1: Physician/Psychiatrist</p> <p>Practitioner Level 2: Psychologist, APRN, PA</p> <p>Practitioner Level 3: LCSW, LPC, LMFT, RN</p> <p>Practitioner Level 4: LMSW; LAPC; LAMFT; Psychologist/LCSW/LPC/LMFT’s Supervisee/trainee with at least a Bachelor’s degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology, functioning within the scope of the practice acts of the state; MAC, CAC-II, CADC, CCADC, GCADC (II, III); PP, CPS, CPRP, CAC-I or Addiction Counselor Trainees with Master’s/Bachelor’s degree in one of the helping professions such as social work, community counseling, counseling, psychology, or criminology (addictions counselors may only perform counseling functions related to treatment of addictive diseases).</p> <p>Practitioner Level 5: CPS, PP, CPRP, CAC-I, RADT (I, II, or III), Addiction Counselor Trainees with high school diploma/equivalent under supervision of one of the licensed/credentialed professionals above</p>

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