

# SAPC Finance Services Division Provider Updates

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## **Finance Update – Revised Information Notices**



#### SAPC IN 25-03: Budget Format for Substance Use Services Agreements and Contracts

- Available at <u>SAPC's Bulletins</u> section. Please see SAPC Bulletin 24-05.
- Revised budget completion instructions
- Updates Indirect Cost Rate to "Up to 15%"
- Describes Budget Approval Systems *Revised guide coming soon!*
- Incorporates new "Budget Revision Worksheet"





## SAPC IN 25-02: FY24-25 Rates and Payment Policy Updates

- Available at <u>SAPC's Bulletins</u> section. Please see SAPC Bulletin 24-02.
- Staff Hour: \$81.07
- Field-Based Services Enhanced Benefit
  - \$200 Enhanced benefit payment for patients (up to 100) served at approved FBS sites.
  - See SAPC IN 23-14 to learn more about the FBS program
  - Question: <u>sapc asoc@ph.lacounty.gov</u>
- Updates to Rates Matrix
  - See FY24-25 Services Codes & Rates and Standards Matrix Changes

# **Finance Update – Tier Assessment**



#### **Tier Assessment Confirmation**

Based on **CONTRACTED** and **UTILIZED** Levels of Care

Consistent use for fiscal year

#### **Tiered Rates**

Tiered Rate	Non-Tiered Rate
<ul> <li>Outpatient (ASAM 1.0)</li> <li>Intensive Outpatient (ASAM 2.1)</li> <li>Outpatient WM (ASAM 1-WM, 2-</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Inpatient WM (3.7-WM,</li></ul>
WM) <li>Residential (ASAM 3.1, 3.3, 3.5)</li>	4-WM) <li>Opioid Treatment</li>
and Residential Withdrawal	Programs <li>Recovery Bridge</li>
Management (3.2-WM) <li>Care Coordination</li> <li>Recovery Services</li>	Housing <li>Recovery Housing</li>

### **Methodology**

Tier Levels of Care Consideration	Tier Methodology	
<ul> <li>ASAM 1.0: Outpatient</li> <li>ASAM 2.1: Intensive Outpatient</li> <li>ASAM 1-WM: Outpatient WM</li> <li>ASAM 3.1: Residential</li> <li>ASAM 3.3: Residential</li> <li>ASAM 3.5: Residential</li> <li>ASAM 3.2-WM: Residential WM</li> <li>ASAM 3.7-WM: Inpatient WM</li> <li>ASAM 4-WM: Inpatient WM</li> <li>Opioid Treatment Program</li> <li>Recovery Bridge Housing</li> <li>Accreditation by Joint Commission or CARF</li> </ul>	Tier 1 1 or 2 Levels of Care <u>Tier 2</u> 3, 4, or 5 Levels of Care <u>Tier 3</u> 6 or more Levels of Care	

## **Finance Update: Other Key Info**



#### FY 25-26 Contract Allocation – Right Sizing

- -Increase/Reduce to ensure effective use of funds
- Based on last three Fiscal Years: FY22-23, FY23-24, FY24-25

#### **Contract Amendment Request - DEADLINE**

Submit Requests – No later than March 14, 2025

- <u>SAPC Bulletin 22-14 Requesting Amendments to Existing Service Contracts and</u>
   <u>Agreements</u>
- Submit to <u>SAPCMonitoring@ph.lacounty.gov</u>

#### **Current Contract Term**

FY 25-26 Contract Extensions – Notices will go out in April

#### **DHCS Cost Report FY21-22**

Tentative Due Date: October 31, 2025



# **Drug Medi-Cal Treatment**

## UPDATE





#### **Resolution of Recent State Billing Issues**

- SAPC Finance has worked to resolve State billing issues related to: 1) Residential MAT services previously billed under the 992\*\* codes and 2) Recent erroneous State denials for CO 96 N54 due to a State adjudication system issue
- Both issues have been resolved and providers can resubmit billing to SAPC
- Spreadsheets of affected services were uploaded to agency SFTPs over the past two weeks and were notified via email as well when the documents were uploaded.



#### **New Upcoming PCNX Functionality!**

- Effective Monday, March 31, 2025, Primary Sage Users/Providers will be able to submit replacement claims in PCNX
- SAPC Finance will be training providers on Monday, March 24, 2025
  - We strongly recommend all staff who conduct billing attend the training and will be confirming that at least one staff member from each Primary Sage User agency attended
  - Registration is required and the link has been posted to the SAPC Calendar and sent out in the most recent Sage Communication
- It is recommended that State denials and resubmissions of locally denied claims be REPLACED instead of rebilled as an original service
  - This will reduce duplicate service denials with DHCS and ensure easier tracking of claim status



## FY 22-23 and 23-24 Final Treatment Billing Deadline Reminder

- The deadline to submit treatment claims for adjudication for both original and replacement claims for FY 22-23 and 23-24 is Monday, June 30, 2025.
- Providers needing support in resolving denials or other billing issues related to these fiscal years should open Sage Help Desk tickets NOW and not wait until the billing deadline.



## **Finance Update: Treatment Billing**



## New Billing Assistance Request Form for Sage Help Desk Tickets

<b>\$</b> ∃	Request assistance from SAPC with local denials, state denials, general billing questions, and payment related questions.
Indicates required	
Billing Assistance Request	
None	c
	c.
None	

- SAPC Finance worked with Netsmart to create a new form in the Sage Help Desk portal dedicated strictly for billing and payment inquiries
- These forms allow providers to give the necessary information for SAPC Finance to begin investigations and provide resolutions faster
- For billing inquiries, SAPC strongly encourages providers to utilize this form instead of calling in or using the standard ticket request form
  - Tickets created by using this form are assigned directly to SAPC Finance instead of going through Netsmart, saving potential days of waiting for a resolution



## FY 24-25 Q1 and Q2 High-Level Local Adjudication Rates

Provider Type	Total Provider Charges	Total Approved Charges	% of Charges Approved	Total Takeback Amount
Primary Providers	\$84,430,041.36	\$82,871,204.94	98.2%	\$1,410,560.52
Secondary Providers	\$109,968,079.51	\$96,248,164.60	87.5%	\$1,433,092.88
Total	\$194,398,120.87	\$179,119,369.54	92.1%	\$2,843,653.40



### FY 24-25 Q1 and Q2 High-Level Local Adjudication Rates

FY 24-25 DMC Monthly Amount Charged and Approved





# Value-Based Reimbursement Strategy: Capacity Building and Incentives Updates



### FY 2024-25 Capacity Building and Incentives

- Submit Your Invoices By the Deadlines!
  - Many Capacity Building & Incentive (CB & I) invoices are due 3/31/25.
    - However, incentives that require data quality report (DQR) submission will capture data up until 3/31/25 and will have a modified invoice due date.
  - Please review the Capacity Building and Incentive packages to confirm due dates and other invoice submission instructions.



### FY 2024-25 Capacity Building and Incentives

- Expedited Training (1-E) and Certification (1-F)
  - Invoices for these capacity building activities are due 6/30/25
  - New submission forms available soon!
  - Save the Date Overview of Submission Requirements
    - Office Hours:
      - 4/9/25 1:30-2:30 pm <u>OR</u>
      - 4/10/25 10-11 am



## FY 2025-26 Capacity Building and Incentives Planning

- Capacity Building and Incentives Year 3 (FY 2025-26) Listening Session
  - SAPC will host a listening session for providers to learn about the new FY 2025-26 Payment Reform Capacity Building and Incentives package and the administrative changes we're making
  - Get your feedback and thoughts on the changes.
  - Date: TBD Stay tuned!



#### **Finance Services Division Update – Contact**

## **Questions and/or More Information**

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