

## **Clinical Communication Bulletin 030**

To: All Providers offering Medicaid B and State COVID-19 Benefits

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The Public Health Emergency (PHE) was extended on July 15, 2022 until Oct. 13, 2022.

This will be good news for all providers and members who can continue to use the flexibilities. These will remain in place until notice of PHE ends.

Here are the key dates associated with any other future extensions:

- August 14, 2022: Date by which 60-day advance notice must be issued if this renewal is the final renewal of the PHE. If no notice is issued by this date, assume another PHE renewal will be coming.
- October 13, 2022: Expiration of today's renewal of the PHE.
- November 1, 2022: Earliest date for initiating terminations of Medicaid coverage, assuming the PHE is not renewed.
- A Medicaid B flexibilities would remain in place for 60 days after end of PHE.
- A Medicaid C / Innovations flexibilities would remain in place for 6 months after end of PHE.

## Here is what you need to know:

- 1. Disaster codes CR and GT CR will be remain in place.
- 2. Enhanced rates associated with COVID-19 will be ending on Aug. 31, 2022 with the exception of Mobile Crisis services. Community-based Mobile Crisis Intervention services will have a 5% rate increase through Apr. 1, 2027, as authorized by section 9813 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) (Pub. L. 117-2). This rate will be added to the HCPCS code H2011.



**3.** All In Lieu of (ILOS) and Alternative Service Definitions associated with COVID-19 will no longer be a benefit in the Medicaid B or State-funded service array.

## Services affected include:

- Assertive Engagement YA341 CR
- Disaster Outreach and Engagement H0038 HI CR
- Disaster Coordination Rehabilitation and Support H2017 CR
- Home Monitoring through Virtual Supervision S5135 GT U5
- A Rapid Response Team H2011 U5 CR
- ♣ Community Inclusion and Support T2021 HI CR (individual)
- △ Community Inclusion and Support T2021 HI HQ CR (Group)