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<p><b>DEFINITION:</b></p> <p>The Substance Abuse Assessment Service identifies and evaluates the nature and extent of an individual’s use/abuse/addiction to alcohol and/or other drugs and identifies but does not diagnose any existing co-morbid conditions. A standardized assessment instrument, approved by DBHS and DMS, must be used to complete the assessment process. The assessment process results in the assignment of a diagnostic impression, patient placement recommendation for treatment regimen appropriate to the condition and situation presented by the recipient, and referral into a service or level of care appropriate to effectively treat the condition(s) identified. A 9 panel test is part of the assessment to assist in the recipient’s self-report of the alcohol and drug use and to develop an accurate diagnosis, referral and treatment plan. The 9 Panel Test is a screening test for marijuana, cocaine, benzoylecgonine, PCP, Morphine and its related metabolites derived from opium (opiates), methamphetamines (including Ecstasy), methadone, amphetamines, barbiturates, and benzodiazepines.</p> <p><b>Benefit limit/Unit Definition:</b> 1 per episode; 1 assessment per SFY</p>	

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<p><b>DEFINITION:</b></p> <p>A developed plan in cooperation with the individual (parent or guardian if the individual is under 18) to deliver specific addiction services to the individual to restore, improve or stabilize the individual's condition. The plan must be based on individualized service needs identified in the completed Addiction Assessment. The plan must include goals for the medically necessary treatment of identified problems, symptoms and addiction issues. The plan must identify individuals or treatment teams responsible for treatment, specific treatment modalities prescribed for the individual, and time limitations for services.</p> <p><b>Benefit Limit/Unit Definition:</b> 1 per episode; 1 per SFY</p>	

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SERVICES:	CARE COORDINATION
<p><b>DEFINITION:</b></p> <p>Care Coordination services are services that will assist the client and family in gaining access to needed medical, social, educational, and other services. Care Coordination will be provided using a wrap-around or recovery model and will include the following activities: input into the treatment planning process, coordination of the treatment planning team, referral to services and resources identified in the treatment plan, facilitating linkages between levels of care, and monitoring and follow up activities that are necessary to ensure the goals identified in the treatment plan are met or need to be revised. Care Coordination services ensure communication and collaboration between agencies, providers and other individuals necessary to implement the goals identified in the treatment plan.</p> <p><b>Benefit limit/Unit Definition:</b> 12 units per SFY; 15 Minute Unit</p>	

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A care coordinator must have the following credentials:

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- Certified Co-Occurring Disorder Professional – Associate Level (CCDP-A)
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- Counselor in Training (CIT) as defined by ADAP licensing standards

The staff ratios shall not exceed 30 clients to 1 care coordinator.

The Case Planning Team must include a credential practitioner and a care coordinator. The Credential Practitioner must also hold one or more of the following Credentials: CCDP-D, LADAC, or ACADC.

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SERVICES:	MULTI-PERSON (FAMILY) GROUP COUNSELING
<b>DEFINITION:</b>	
<p>Multi-Person (Family) Counseling Services is a group therapeutic intervention using face to face verbal interaction between 2 to a maximum of 9 recipients and their family members or significant others. The Multi-Person (Family) Group Counseling Service provided to a group composed of family members of more than one recipient that is designed to enhance members' insight into family interactions, facilitate inter-family emotional or practical support and to develop alternative strategies to address familial issues, problems and needs. The goal being to support the rehabilitation and recovery effort. Multi-Family Group Counseling must be prescribed on the Treatment Plan to address familial problems or needs and to achieve goals or objectives specified on the Treatment Plan.</p>	
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SERVICES:	INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING
<p><b>DEFINITION:</b></p> <p>Individual Counseling services includes the face to face counseling services necessary to initiate and support the rehabilitation effort, orient the recipient to the treatment process, develop the ongoing treatment plan, augment the treatment process, intervene in a problem area, contingency management, prevent a relapse situation, continuing care or provide ongoing psychotherapy as dictated by the recipient’s needs.</p> <p><b>Benefit limit/Unit Definition:</b> 6 units/month; 48 units/SFY; 15 Minute Unit</p>	

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SERVICES:	GROUP COUNSELING
<p><b>DEFINITION:</b></p> <p>Face-to-face interventions provided to a group of beneficiaries on a regularly scheduled basis to improve one’s capacity to deal with problems that are a result of and/or contribute to substance abuse. The professional uses the emotional interactions of the group's members to assist them in implementing each beneficiary’s master treatment plan, orient the beneficiary to the treatment process, support the rehabilitation effort, and to minimize relapse. Services are to be congruent with the age, strengths, needed accommodation for any disability, and cultural framework of the beneficiary and his/her family.</p> <p><b>Benefit limit/Unit Definition:</b> 6 units/day; 48 units per SFY; 15 Minute Unit</p>	

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SERVICES:	MARITAL/FAMILY COUNSELING
<p><b>DEFINITION:</b></p> <p>Face-to-face treatment provided to more than one member of a family simultaneously in the same session, or treatment with an individual family member (i.e. Spouse or Single Parent) that is specifically related to achieving goals identified on the recipient's master treatment plan. The identified recipient must be present for this service. Services are to be congruent with the age, strengths, needed accommodations for disability, and cultural framework of the recipient and his/her family. These services are to be utilized to identify and address marital/family dynamics and improve/strengthen marital/family interactions and functioning in relationship to the recipient, the recipient's condition and the condition's impact on the marital/family relationship.</p> <p><b>Benefit limit/Unit Definition:</b> 6 units/day; 48 units per SFY; 15 Minute Unit</p>	

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SERVICES:	MEDICATION MANAGEMENT
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(7) Pregnancy-Related Substance Abuse Treatment Services (SATS) (Continued)

- C. The request for certification by DBHS must include a copy of the provider's accreditation, most recent accreditation survey, and correspondence between the provider and the accrediting organization since the most recent accreditation survey.
- D. A list of service delivery sites, including each site's address, telephone number, and fax number must be submitted. Each site from which SATS services are delivered must be included under the provider's accreditation. Proof of this accreditation must be submitted with the request for certification of a site.
- E. Current CARF, JCAHO, or COA, *that includes accreditation of the pertinent outpatient alcohol and/or other drug abuse treatment component (OADAP Licensure Standards for Alcohol and/or Other Drug Abuse Treatment Programs p. 11)*. Current nationally accredited behavioral health programs without specific alcohol and drug treatment certification will need to obtain accreditation of their substance abuse program prior to receiving certification as a SATS provider of substance abuse treatment.
- F. Provisional, Conditional, Preliminary, Pending, Expedited or Deferred Accreditations are not acceptable.
- G. The provider must: notify its accrediting organization in writing of all new or additional SATS services implemented subsequent to the provider's most recent accreditation survey; provide DBHS with a copy of the notification letter; and affirm in writing to DBHS that the new service(s) will be included in the provider's next regularly scheduled accreditation survey, if not surveyed before that time. Provider organization opening new services sites must follow DBHS certification policy and procedures.
- H. DBHS must be authorized to receive information directly from the accrediting organization and to provide information directly to the accrediting organization, as it relates to SATS. DBHS will furnish these documents to providers at their request.
- I. DBHS retains the right to request information in connection with licensure, accreditation, certification, provision or billing of SATS services; to perform site visits at anytime; and to conduct scheduled or unannounced visits, to insure entities are providing SATS services in accordance with the information that was submitted to DBHS. During a site visit the provider must allow access to all sites, policies and procedures, patient records, financial records, and any other documentation necessary to ascertain that services were/are of a quality which meets professionally recognized standards of health care.
- J. Providers must adhere to evidence-based practices as approved by DBHS for specific populations and services provided.

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4.b. Early and Periodic Screening and Diagnosis of Individuals Under 21 Years of Age and Treatment of Conditions Found (Continued)

(26) Developmental Rehabilitation Services

Reimbursement is based on the lesser of the amount billed or the Title XIX (Medicaid) maximum charge allowed. The Title XIX maximum for these services is based on the Child Health Management (CHMS) reimbursement methodology.

(27) Substance Abuse Treatment Services

- i. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of personal care services and the fee schedule and any annual/periodic adjustments to the fee schedule are published on the Medicaid website at [www.medicaid.state.ar.us](http://www.medicaid.state.ar.us).
- ii. Reimbursement for Substance Abuse Services is by fee schedule, at the lesser of the billed charge or the Title XIX (Medicaid) maximum allowable fee per unit of service. A benefit limit has been established per procedure with extension available based on medical necessity.
- iii. The rates are set as of March 1, 2011 and are effective for services on or after that date.

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20. Extended Services for Pregnant Women

- a. Pregnancy-related and postpartum services for 60 days after the pregnancy ends.

Reimbursement for these services is described in Attachment 4.19-A and Attachment 4.19-B, e.g. inpatient hospital, outpatient hospital, physician services, etc.

- b. Services for any other medical conditions that may complicate pregnancy.

Reimbursement for these services is described in Attachment 4.19-A and Attachment 4.19-B, e.g. inpatient hospital, outpatient hospital, physician services, etc.

c. **Substance Abuse Treatment Services**

- i. **Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of personal care services and the fee schedule and any annual/periodic adjustments to the fee schedule are published on the Medicaid website at [www.medicaid.state.ar.us](http://www.medicaid.state.ar.us).**
- ii. **Reimbursement for Substance Abuse Services is by fee schedule, at the lesser of the billed charge or the Title XIX (Medicaid) maximum allowable fee per unit of service. A benefit limit has been established per procedure with extension available based on medical necessity.**
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