



Department for Aging
and Disability Services

Operational Policy and Procedures

Policy: Problem Gambling Billing Codes	
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POLICY: The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services/Behavioral Health Services requires all individuals in the credentialing provider network to bill the correct codes to ensure funding is utilized correctly and data is collected per K.S.A. 79-4805.

PURPOSE: To ensure all providers billing for problems gambling services for individuals seeking treatment under the Problem Gambling treatment funds are utilizing the correct billing codes.

PROCEDURE:

A. Client

- 1) To be eligible for services under this policy, clients must meet the following criteria:
 - a. Be a resident of the state of Kansas and provide verification by providing:
 - i. Kansas Driver's License or Kansas ID card
 - ii. Proof of residency from a utility bill and/or lease agreement
 - b. Meet the clinical criteria for gambling disorder as defined by satisfying a minimum of four (4) of the criteria for Gambling Disorder contained in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual-5 (DSM-5); or
 - c. Meet the clinical criteria for subclinical gambling disorder as defined by satisfying two (2) to three (3) of the criteria for Gambling Disorder contained in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual-5 (DSM-5); or
 - d. Meet the criteria for "concerned other" by answering "yes" to a minimum of six (6) of the GamAnon Twenty Questions, whether or not the individual with a gambling disorder or subclinical gambling disorder present for treatment; or
 - e. Have applied for a petition with the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission's Voluntary Self-Exclusion Program (VEP) and received communication from the VEP program regarding requirements to be removed from the self-exclusion list including a maximum one (1) hour face to face educational session conducted by Kansas Certified Gambling Counselor (KCGC).
- 2) Initial eligibility is determined by the provider with us of the above instruments.
- 3) The Administrative Service Organization will monitor Clients who have received no treatment services in the preceding 60 days and contact the provider to discharge the



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client from the program.

B. Provider Qualifications

- 1) All Kansas providers must offer evidence that any diagnosis is made by an independently licensed behavioral health professional.
- 2) Problem gambling services, for which KDADS reimbursements is sought, must be provided by individuals who meet the following providers qualifications and certification requirements:
 - a. Be licensed by the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board (BSRB) at the clinical level, and be a Kansas Certified Gambling Counselor Level I (KCGC), or
 - b. Be licensed as a Kansas Certified Gambling Counselor Level II (KCGC II), or
 - c. Be licensed as a Provisional Kansas Certified Gambling Counselor Level I (P-KCGC I), and
 - i. Be working for a licensed KDADS/Behavioral Health Services program or a licensed or certified alcohol and drug treatment program, or
 - ii. Be an individual credentialed in the ASO approved network.

C. Services

- 1) KDADS/BHS is the payor of last resort for problem gambling treatment. If, after an initial financial assessment is completed, the provider determines that a client is able to pay for services from other sources, those sources shall be utilized.
- 2) No client shall be refused services based solely on inability to pay a fee as long as Problem Gambling and Addictions Grant Fund (PGAF) funding is available. At intake, providers must inform clients of the requirement that they may not be refused services based solely on the inability to pay.

D. Fee Schedule - Procurement Code / Service Description

- 1) **H0001 - Assessment:** Involves a face to face interview with the individual. The assessment should be complete before treatment is initiated, in order to determine need and appropriate level of treatment. Includes a Biopsychosocial clinical assessment containing DSM-5 diagnostic criteria and a recommendation regarding



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the need for treatment, level should be complete before treatment is initiated, in order to determine need and appropriate level of treatment. Includes a Biopsychosocial clinical assessment containing DSM-5 diagnostic criteria and a recommendation regarding the need for treatment, level of risk of harm to self or others and any necessary referrals to be provided.

- 2) **H0004 - Outpatient Individual Counseling:** Service provided by a qualified counselor; Treatment sessions must address the problems of the individual as they relate directly or indirectly to the problem gambling behavior.
- 3) **H0005 - Outpatient Group Counseling:** Service provided by a qualified counselor; to assist two or more individuals and/or their families/significant others to achieve treatment objectives. Treatment sessions must address the problems of the individual(s) as they relate directly or indirectly to the problem gambling behavior.
- 4) **H0015 - Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP):** Treatment program that operates at least 3 hours/day and at least 3 days/week for a minimum of 9 hours of services per week. Program is based on an individualized treatment plan; including assessment, counseling, crisis intervention, and activity therapies or education.
- 5) **H0006 - Problem Gambling Case Management:** Can be used in outpatient modalities but must be face to face with the client present or telephonic on behalf of the client. Allowable Components include: Linking individuals to services needed to assist in recovery. Ex: housing, financial, vocational, educational, mental health, physical health, etc. and to monitor treatment progress and overall service delivery.
- 6) **H0007 - Crisis Intervention:** Can only be used in an outpatient setting but must be face to face with the client present or telephonic to respond to a crisis or emergency situation experienced by an individual, family member and/or significant other(s) related to problem gambling.
- 7) **H0004 HR - Family/Couple Therapy:** (Client present) – Treatment sessions must address the problems of the individual(s) as they relate, directly or indirectly to the problem gambling behavior.



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8) **H0004 HS - Family/Couple Therapy:** (Client not present) Treatment sessions must address the problems of the individual(s) as they relate, directly or indirectly, to the problem gambling behavior.

9) **A0160 - Support Services: Interpreter and Transportation**

a. Interpreter: Can be used for all modalities to provide interpretation services for deaf and non-English speaking clients. Such interpreters shall be linguistically appropriate and capable of communicating clinical information effectively in both English and the primary language of the client.

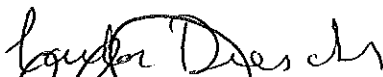
b. Transportation: Can be billed for in the following capacities:

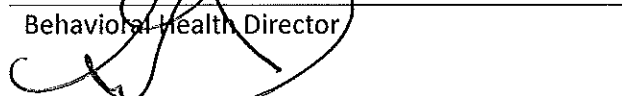
- i. Transportation by a commercial entity (taxi, bus, etc.) This does not include a private entity such as a friend or relative.
- ii. Transportation via a gas card. The amount of the gas card must be limited to the cost of the client's round trip for treatment.


E. Data Integrity

- 1) The designated Administrative Services Organization (ASO) staff shall ensure data integrity performance through monitoring provider claims and allocations as compared to actual utilization.
- 2) The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) will ensure the data integrity performance monitoring is completed by the designated ASO through receipt and review of the required reports submitted by the ASO on the scheduled reported dates.

Approved by:


 Behavioral Health Director


 Community Services and Programs Commissioner


 KDADS Legal Counsel

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