

BAY-ARENAC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

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Policy

It is the policy of Bay Arenac Behavioral Health (BABH) that based on the availability of funds, exceptions may be granted that allow the use of block grant funds for all services if the Medicare provider is located further than sixty (60) miles or sixty (60) minutes from the location where the consumer is currently living.

Purpose

This policy and procedure is established because Riverhaven Coordinating Agency (RCA) recognizes that due to the limited availability of Medicare providers, individuals with Medicare may be unable to obtain services and face undue hardship related to excessive travel.

Applicability

- All BABH Staff
- Selected BABH Staff, as follows: Claims and Service Access/Intake
- All Contracted Providers: Policy Only Policy and Procedure
- Selected Contracted Providers, as follows: Substance Use Staff
 - Policy Only Policy and Procedure
- BABH's Affiliates: Policy Only Policy and Procedure
- Other:

Definitions

N/A

Procedure

1. If a provider determines that a consumer is Medicare eligible, the provider should request the consumer contact the access, assessment and referral agency, the Access Alliance of Michigan (AAM), at 1-800-448-5498 for further action.

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2. The AAM will determine appropriate Level of Care (LOC) and if there is a Medicare provider within the distance and time guidelines listed above.
3. If a Medicare provider is not within the distance and time guidelines, then the consumer will be referred to an approved panel provider.
4. RCA will then utilize Block Grant funding to reimburse the provider.
5. A Medicare Eligibility Form will need to be submitted by the provider and signed by the AAM Manager with each applicable claim.
6. Medicare providers that are within distance and time guidelines can be found in the RCA Provider Manual.

Attachments

N/A

Related Forms

Medicare Eligibility Form

Related Materials

N/A

References/Legal Authority

Medicare Manual Part B
Riverhaven Coordinating Agency Provider Manual

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