Leave of Absence (LOA) Authorizations and Billing Practices for LTSS Residential Providers

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Background

- On October 1, 2024, My Choice Wisconsin by Molina Healthcare implemented the operational practice of the minimum fee schedule for residential services.
- As part of that change residential providers were instructed to bill the revenue code plus an additional "T" procedure code and applicable modifiers.







Effective October 1, 2024 New "T" Procedure Codes and Modifiers

| *Revenue Code | National Definition | Notes | Required Procedure Code** | Required Modifiers |
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| 0240 | All Inclusive Ancillary General Classification | Use for 1-2 Bed AFH. | Living; Waiver, Per Diem) | -U1, U2, or U3 as the first modifier. -U5 or U6 as the second modifier. -U7 as the third modifier. -U4 as the fourth modifier if applicable. |
| 0241 | All Inclusive Ancillary Basic | Use for 3-4 Bed AFH. | Diem) | -U1, U2, or U3 as the first modifier. -U5 or U6 as the second modifier. -U8 as the third modifier. -U4 as the fourth modifier if applicable. |
| 0242 | All Inclusive Ancillary Comprehensive | Use for a CBRF with 8 beds or fewer. | Care, Not Otherwise Specified, Waiver; Per Diem) | -U1, U2, or U3 as the first modifier. -U7 as the second modifier. -U4 as the third modifier if applicable. |
| 0243 | All Inclusive Ancillary Specialty | with more than 8 | Care, Not Otherwise Specified, Waiver; Per Diem) | -U1, U2, or U3 as the first modifier. -U8 as the second modifier. -U4 as the third modifier if applicable. |
| 0670 | Outpatient Special Residence Charges General Classification | | | -U9 as the first modifier. -U4 as the second modifier if applicable. |

| Modifier | Notes for Modifier Usage | | | | |
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| U1 | Use to indicate that the member meets the criteria for Level of Need (Acuity) Tier 1, | | | | |
| | based on elements from the member's Long-Term Care Functional Screen. | | | | |
| U2 | Use to indicate that the member meets the criteria for Level of Need (Acuity) Tier 2, | | | | |
| | based on elements from the member's Long-Term Care Functional Screen. | | | | |
| U3 | Use to indicate that the member meets the criteria for Level of Need (Acuity) Tier 3, | | | | |
| | based on elements from the member's Long-Term Care Functional Screen. | | | | |
| U4 | Use to indicate the member received 24-hour 1-on-1 (or greater) care. | | | | |
| U5 | Use to indicate that the Adult Family Home is owner-occupied. | | | | |
| U6 | Use to indicate that the Adult Family Home is corporate owned. | | | | |
| U7 | For AFH, use to indicate 1-2 bed Adult Family Home. For CBRF, use for Community | | | | |
| | Based Residential Facilities with 5-8 beds. | | | | |
| U8 | For AFH, use to indicate 3-4 bed Adult Family Home. For CBRF, use for Community | | | | |
| | Based Residential Facilities with 9 or more beds. | | | | |
| U9 | For RCAC, use to indicate Residential Care Apartment Complex. | | | | |





Effective October 1, 2024 Leave of Absence (LOA) code 0180

- When the member is out of the facility for "duplicative services" My Choice Wisconsin only reimburses room and board.
- "Duplicative services" include, but are not limited to:
 - Hospitalization
 - Nursing Home
 - ICF-MR (Intermediate Care Facility for individuals w/ Developmental Disabilities)
 - ITP (Intensive Treatment Program (also for individuals w/ Developmental Delay and Mental Health dual diagnosis)
- The code for leave of absence for all residential settings is 0180.





Prior authorization is required for LOA code 0180

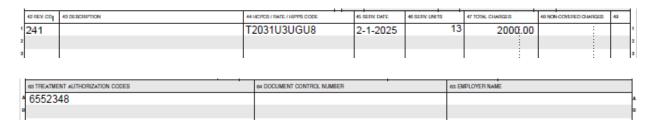
- It is the residential facility's responsibility to notify the Care Manager any time the member leaves the facility.
- The member's Care Manager will enter a member leave of absence authorization to allow provider to bill room and board.
 - The original residential placement authorization will be ended on the day before the member left the residential facility.
 - The leave of absence authorization will start on the first day that the member is not in the facility at 11:59 PM.
 - The leave of absence authorization will end on the day prior to discharge.
- Providers must bill the leave of absence under code 0180 <u>AND</u> associate the claim line with the leave of absence-specific authorization.
- If you are unable to locate the leave of absence authorization in MIDAS, please reach out to the member's Care Manager immediately.





Example:

Member is admitted to the hospital on 2/14 and is discharged on 2/16 Residential authorization ends 2/13



Leave of absence authorization starts 2/14 and ends on 2/15

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| | 42 REV. CD. | 43 DESCRIPTION | 44 HCPCS / RATE / HIPPS CODE | 45 SERV. DATE | 46 SERV. UNITS | | 47 TOTAL CHARGES | 48 NON-COVERED CHARGES | 49 | | |
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New residential authorization begins 2/16

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Please ensure that number of units equals the number of days billed on that line.





Recap and Important Reminders



Electronic Claims Submissions

Different service codes must be submitted on separate claims.



Paper UB04 Claims Submissions

Providers may bill multiple revenue codes on the same claim form. However, the corresponding auth numbers must be clearly listed next to each applicable service line.



Number of Units Billed

It's important that the number of units billed on each line must equal the number of days being billed as previously shown on the example.



Accurate Billing

Accurate billing helps ensure timely processing and payment of the claims.



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Questions?



