

Behavioral Health News and Resources

Neighborhood News – October 2022

Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs)

The Rhode Island Legislature has approved legislation and Governor McKee has officially signed the legislation and directed the Executive Office of Health and Human Services to establish state-Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) to help address the behavioral health crisis in Rhode Island.

CCBHCs are specially-designated clinics that provide a comprehensive range of mental health and substance use services. They qualify for an enhanced Medicaid reimbursement rate based on their anticipated costs of expanding services to meet the needs of these complex populations. The clinics provide integrated, evidence-based substance abuse disorder and mental health services, including 24/7 crisis response and medication-assisted treatment. They have high standards for timeliness of access, quality reporting, staffing and coordination with social services, criminal justice and education systems, and they are funded at levels that reflect the full costs to meet the need for care in their communities.

Nationally, CCBHCs have dramatically increased access to mental health and substance use disorder treatment, expanded states' capacity to address the overdose crisis and established innovative partnerships with law enforcement, schools and hospitals to improve care, reduce recidivism and prevent hospital readmissions. Under the approved legislation, subject to federal approval, the CCBHC model would be established in RI by January 1, 2023, and would include any enhanced Medicaid match dollars for required services or populations served. For further information about this and other BH news go to [Legislative Investments in Rhode Island's Behavioral Health Care System](#).

Recoupment Letter Issues

Attention Optum Providers who have received a recoupment letter related to POS10 vs POS02

The payment recovery request is due to POS10 billing rules which were not in effect for Optum NHPRI until 4/1/22. Any Optum NHPRI claim billed with POS10 from 01/01/22 to 03/31/22 will be recouped if payment was issued.

Provider action:

- Submit a **corrected** electronic claim for this date of service
- Provider should utilize Provider Express claim entry tool and select the corrected claim option.
- Provider should reference the original claim number.
- The corrected claim should reflect POS02