

Memorandum

To: Interested Parties: Medicaid Behavioral Health Service Providers

From: Medicaid Behavioral Health Policy Unit

Date: February 10, 2026

Subject: Behavioral Health Fee Schedule Rate Adjustments

Effective 1/1/2026, the behavioral health fee schedule has been updated to reflect select rate adjustments mandated by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Impacted codes and rates are listed below.

Substance Use Disorder Services Impacted:

Code	Description	2026 Rate	2025 Rate	Difference
98966	Telephone assessment and management service provided by a qualified nonphysician health care professional 5-10 minutes of medical discussion	\$11.07	\$10.60	+ \$0.47
98967	Telephone assessment and management service provided by a qualified nonphysician health care professional 11-20 minutes of medical discussion	\$20.22	\$19.59	+ \$0.63
98968	Telephone assessment and management service provided by a qualified nonphysician health care professional 21-30 minutes of medical discussion	\$28.10	\$27.05	+ \$1.05

Mental Health Services Impacted:

Code	Description	2026 Rate	2025 Rate	Difference
96156	Health behavior assessment, or re-assessment (ie, health focused clinical interview, behavioral observations, clinical decision making)	\$87.33	\$81.12	+ \$6.21
96158	Health behavior intervention, individual, face-to-face; initial 30 minutes	\$59.97	\$55.68	+ \$4.29
96159	Health behavior intervention, individual, face-to-face; each additional 15 minutes (List separately in addition to code for primary service)	\$20.65	\$19.12	+ \$1.53
96164	Health behavior intervention, group (2 or more patients), face-to-face; initial 30 minutes	\$9.43	\$8.45	+ \$0.98
96165	Health behavior intervention, group (2 or more patients), face-to-face; each additional 15 minutes (List separately in addition to code for primary service)	\$4.08	\$4.01	+ \$0.07
96167	Health behavior intervention, family (with the patient present), face-to-face; initial 30 minutes	\$63.50	\$59.14	+ \$4.36
96168	Health behavior intervention, family (with the patient present), face-to-face; each additional 15 minutes (List separately in addition to code for primary service)	\$23.02	\$21.17	+ \$1.85

Code	Description	2026 Rate	2025 Rate	Difference
96170	Health behavior intervention, family (without the patient present), face-to-face; initial 30 minutes	\$60.24	\$61.28	- \$1.04
96171	Health behavior intervention, family (without the patient present), face-to-face; each additional 15 minutes (List separately in addition to code for primary service)	\$21.77	\$22.18	- \$0.41
98966	Telephone assessment and management service provided by a qualified nonphysician health care professional 5-10 minutes of medical discussion	\$11.07	\$10.60	+ \$0.47
98967	Telephone assessment and management service provided by a qualified nonphysician health care professional 11-20 minutes of medical discussion	\$20.22	\$19.59	+ \$0.63
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Why is this happening?

Medicaid payment rates changed effective January 1, 2026 to align with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) updates to relative value units (RVUs) and pricing. These updates to the Oregon fee schedule are required to ensure alignment with federal standards.

What should you do?

These new rates are effective for fee-for-service services rendered on or after 1/1/2026. If you billed for services and were underpaid, you may adjust your claims.

Payment increases under the CY2026 Behavioral Health Directed Payments program should equal at least 10% of the BH Fee Schedule Rates in effect on January 1, 2026. Thus, no adjustment to Directed Payments is required for Coordinated Care Organizations.ⁱ

The most recently posted fee schedule is available here:

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/hsd/ohp/pages/fee-schedule.aspx>

For fee for service billing questions and technical billing assistance, please call 800-336-6016 or email DMAP.ProviderServices@odhsoha.oregon.gov.

You can also find more information about Provider Services at

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/hsd/ohp/Pages/Provider-Services.aspx>.

Questions?

If you have any questions about this announcement, contact Medicaid Programs at medicaid.programs@oha.oregon.gov.

ⁱ (Exhibit C(1d)(2a)(ii) of the CY26 Contract).