

TO: Behavioral Health Clinics, Enhanced Care Clinics and Outpatient Drug and Alcohol Abuse Centers

RE: Ambulatory Withdrawal Management Billing Guidelines

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide clarification on billing guidelines for American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) 1-WM, Ambulatory Withdrawal Management (WM), procedure code H0014. This billing guidance is effective November 15, 2022 and supplements the original guidance specifically for 1-WM as outlined in PB 2022-86, Reimbursement for Intermediate Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment at Behavioral Health Clinics, Enhanced Care Clinics and Outpatient Drug and Alcohol Abuse Centers. All other aspects of PB 2022-86 remain in effect. Providers should continue to refer to PB 2022-86 for additional information on reimbursement for intermediate SUD treatment, including ASAM 1-WM.

Billing Guidelines:

In alignment with the American Medical Association (AMA) Services Guidelines and The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI), the below chart reflects the duration of service provision required to bill each hourly unit for procedure code H0014:

Length of Service	Number of Hourly Units Billed
30-89 minutes	1 hour
90-149 minutes	2 hours
150-209 minutes	3 hours
210-239 minutes	4 hours

ASAM 1-WM services less than 30 minutes in duration are not billable. Units are billed hourly as outlined above; partial units are not permitted.

