




United Behavioral Health

Identical Treatment		Policy Identifier/Number: AD-24	
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Policy Category: Government – Pierce Regional Support Network	Applicable Lines of Business: Medicaid	Entity/Plan: Optum Pierce Behavioral Health Organization	State: Pierce County, Washington
Approved by: Bea Dixon, Executive Director		Signature: 	

Policy Statement and Purpose

Optum Pierce Behavioral Health Organization (BHO) will provide the same substance use disorder services to all individuals who are financially eligible to receive State or Federal assistance and are in need of services.

Policy Audience and Applicability

This policy is applicable to the Optum Pierce BHO and benefits administered through the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) current Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP).

The purpose of this policy is to comply with the Federal Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) requirement that all facilities receiving SABG funding are required to provide the same services to all individuals who are financially eligible to receive State or Federal assistance and are in need of services.

Policy Definitions

N/A

Policy Provisions

1. All behavioral health agencies receiving SABG funding are required to provide the same services to all individuals who are financially eligible to receive State or Federal assistance and are in need of services.
2. No distinction must be made between State and Federal funding when providing the following services including, but not limited to:
 - 2.1. Women’s services;
 - 2.2. Individuals Using Intravenous Drugs
 - 2.3. Tuberculosis services;

Optum is responsible for adhering to all applicable state and/or federal laws governing activities within the scope of this policy, including the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) privacy requirements, as well as the applicable requirements, standards and regulations as set forth by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Department of Labor (DoL), and any applicable accrediting organizations.

2.4. Childcare services for parenting women; and

2.5. Interim services.

Related Policies, Procedures & Materials

N/A

Attachments

N/A

Approval History

- Policy created and effective: 04/2016
- Operational Procedures and Standards Committee reviewed and accepted: 12/28/2016
- Optum Pierce BHO reviewed and accepted: January 2018