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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mainstream Medicaid Managed Care Plans (MMCPs), Health and Recovery Plans (HARPs), and HIV Special Needs Plans (HIV SNPs)  
**From:** New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH)  
**Date:** July 7, 2022  
**Subject:** April 2022 Cost of Living Adjustment

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Dear Health Plan Administrators,

The mental health outpatient service rates, which will be reflected in the premiums upon State and Federal approvals, have been increased to reflect a legislatively mandated increase in the Cost-Of-Living Adjustment (COLA) effective April 1, 2022. This letter is being sent to alert Medicaid Managed Care Plans (MMCPs), including Mainstream Medicaid Managed Care Plans, Health and Recovery Plans, and HIV Special Needs Plans, of the adjustments to ensure compliance with the statutorily required payment of government rates.

Please refer to the OMH Medicaid Reimbursement Page: [https://www.omh.ny.gov/omhweb/medicaid\\_reimbursement/](https://www.omh.ny.gov/omhweb/medicaid_reimbursement/) for the below services with rate updates.

- Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)
- Continuing Day Treatment (CDT)
- Non-State Operated Continuing Day Treatment (CDT)
- Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program (CPEP)
- Partial Hospitalization (PH)
- Personalized Recovery Oriented Services (PROS)
- OMH-licensed Article 31 Mental Health Clinics Reimbursed under APG Methodology
- Community Oriented Recovery and Empowerment (CORE) Services
- Adults Behavioral Health Home and Community Based Services (BH HCBS)
- Mobile Crisis Services for children under 21 years old<sup>1</sup>
- Crisis Residential Services for children under 21 years old<sup>1</sup>

Per Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2019, MMCPs are required to pay claims based on the effective date of the rate changes. As a result, MMCPs must complete necessary systems edits to ensure payable claims for dates of service April 1, 2022, and thereafter are reimbursed at the newly effective rates and are required to conduct retrospective reconciliation to adjust payment

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<sup>1</sup> Additional information regarding COLA increases to suggested rates for Mobile Crisis and Residential Crisis Services for adults over 21 is forthcoming.

for claims as necessary within 90 days of receipt of this notification.

Please note that this document is only being transmitted electronically. No hard copy will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact OMH Managed Care at 518-408-2822 or [BHO@omh.ny.gov](mailto:BHO@omh.ny.gov)