

Washington Apple Health (Medicaid)

# Hospital-Based Inpatient Detoxification Billing Guide

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## What has changed?

Subject	Change	Reason for Change
<p><a href="#">Fully Integrated Managed Care (FIMC)</a></p>	<p><b>Effective January 1, 2018</b>, the agency is implementing a <b>second FIMC region</b>, the North Central (NC) region, which includes Douglas, Chelan, and Grant Counties.</p> <p>The agency has updated and consolidated the FIMC information in this guide and provided several hyperlinks to the agency's <a href="#">Managed Care web page</a>, the agency's <a href="#">Integrated physical and behavioral health care web page</a>, and the agency's <a href="#">Regional resource web page</a>.</p>	<p>Notification of new region moving to FIMC</p>

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# Resources Available

**Note:** This section contains important contact information relevant to the Hospital-Based Inpatient Detoxification program. For more contact information, see the agency's [Billers and Providers](#) web page.

Topic	Contact Information
Becoming a provider or submitting a change of address or ownership	See the agency's <a href="#">ProviderOne Resources</a> web page.
Finding out about payments, denials, claims processing, or agency managed care organizations	
Electronic billing	
Finding agency documents (e.g., billing instructions, fee schedules)	
Private insurance or third-party liability, other than agency managed care	
Contacting DBHR or submitting claims for Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) extended detoxification	Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery PO Box 45330 Olympia, WA 98504 1-877-301-4557

# Definitions

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This section defines terms and abbreviations, including acronyms, used in this billing guide. Refer to [Chapter 182-500 WAC](#) for a complete list of definitions for Washington Apple Health.

**Chemical Dependency** - An alcohol or drug addiction, or dependence on alcohol and one or more other psychoactive chemicals.

**Detoxification** - Care and treatment in a residential or hospital setting of persons intoxicated or incapacitated by alcohol or other drugs during the period in which the person is recovering from the transitory effects of intoxication or withdrawal. Acute detoxification provides medical care and physician supervision; subacute detoxification is non-medical.

**Free-Standing Detox Center** - A facility that is not attached to a hospital and in which care and treatment is provided to persons who are recovering from the transitory effects of acute or chronic intoxication or withdrawal from alcohol or other drugs.

**Intensive Inpatient Treatment-**  
Nonhospital, DBHR-certified facilities for sub-acute, or detoxified clients, or both, focused on primary chemical dependency services in residential or outpatient settings.

**Maximum Allowable** - The maximum dollar amount that a provider may be reimbursed by the agency for specific services, supplies, or equipment.

**Rehabilitation Services** - Hospital-based intensive inpatient substance abuse treatment, medical care, and assessment and linkages.

**Usual and Customary Fee** - The rate that may be billed to the agency for certain services or equipment. This rate may not exceed the following:

- The usual and customary charge that a provider bills the general public for the same services
- If the general public is not served, the rate normally offered to other contractors for the same services

# About the Program

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## What is the purpose of the Hospital-Based Inpatient Detoxification program?

The Hospital-Based Inpatient Detoxification program provides services to clients receiving hospital-based alcohol, or drug detoxification services, or both, in counties where no free-standing detoxification centers are available.

**Note:** If a provider's facility is certified to treat pregnant women under a chemically using pregnant (CUP) women agreement, the provider must use the agency's [Chemically Using Pregnant \(CUP\) Women](#) billing guide.

# Client Eligibility

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## How can I verify a client's eligibility?

WAC [182-508-0005](#)

Providers must verify that a client has Washington Apple Health coverage for the date of service, and that the client's benefit package covers the applicable service. This helps prevent delivering a service the agency will not pay for.

Verifying eligibility is a two-step process:

**Step 1. Verify the client's eligibility for Washington Apple Health.** For detailed instructions on verifying a client's eligibility for Washington Apple Health, see the *Client Eligibility, Benefit Packages, and Coverage Limits* section in the agency's current [ProviderOne Billing and Resource Guide](#).

If the client is eligible for Washington Apple Health, proceed to **Step 2**. If the client is **not** eligible, see the note box below

**Step 2. Verify service coverage under the Washington Apple Health client's benefit package.** To determine if the requested service is a covered benefit under the Washington Apple Health client's benefit package, see the agency's [Program Benefit Packages and Scope of Services](#) web page.

**Note:** A person who wishes to apply for Washington Apple Health can do so in one of the following ways:

1. By visiting the Washington Healthplanfinder's website at: [www.wahealthplanfinder.org](http://www.wahealthplanfinder.org).
2. By calling the Customer Support Center toll-free at: 855-WAFINDER (855-923-4633) or 855-627-9604 (TTY).
3. By mailing the application to:  
Washington Healthplanfinder  
PO Box 946  
Olympia, WA 98507

In-person application assistance is also available. To get information about in-person application assistance available in their area, a person may visit [www.wahealthplanfinder.org](http://www.wahealthplanfinder.org) or call the Customer Support Center.

## Are clients enrolled in an agency managed care plan eligible?

WAC [182-538-060](#) and [095](#), or WAC [182-538-063](#) for MCS clients

**Yes.** Providers can use ProviderOne to easily check if the client is enrolled in a managed care plan. Managed care enrollment will be displayed on the Client Benefit Inquiry Screen. All services must be requested directly through the client's Primary Care Provider (PCP). Clients can contact their managed care plan by calling the telephone number provided to them.

All medical services covered under a managed care plan must be obtained by the client through designated facilities or providers. The managed care plan is responsible for the following:

- Payment of covered services
- Payment of services referred by a provider participating with the plan to an outside provider

**Note:** To prevent billing denials, please check the client's eligibility **before** scheduling services and at the **time of the service** to make sure proper authorization or referral is obtained from the plan. See the agency's [ProviderOne Billing and Resource Guide](#) for instructions on how to verify a client's eligibility.

## Effective July 1, 2017, not all Apple Health clients were enrolled in a BHO/FIMC/BHSO

On July 1, 2017, some Apple Health clients were not enrolled in a BHO/FIMC/BHSO program. For these clients, substance use disorder (SUD) services are covered under the fee-for-service (FFS) program.

## Effective January 1, 2017, some fee-for-service clients who have other primary health insurance were enrolled into managed care

On January 1, 2017, the agency enrolled some fee-for-service Apple Health clients who have other primary health insurance into an agency-contracted managed care organization (MCO).

This change did not affect all fee-for-service Apple Health clients who have other primary health insurance. The agency continues to cover some clients under the fee-for-service Apple Health program, such as dual-eligible clients whose primary insurance is Medicare.

For additional information, see the agency's [Managed Care web page](#), under Providers and Billers.

## **Effective April 1, 2016, important changes to Apple Health**

**These changes are important to all providers because they may affect who will pay for services.**

Providers serving any Apple Health client should always check eligibility and confirm plan enrollment by asking to see the client's Services Card and/or using the ProviderOne Managed Care Benefit Information Inquiry functionality (HIPAA transaction 270). The response (HIPAA transaction 271) will provide the current managed care organization (MCO), fee-for-service, and Behavioral Health Organization (BHO) information. See the the agency's [Regional Resources web page](#).

### **New MCO enrollment policy – earlier enrollment**

**Beginning April 1, 2016**, Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) implemented a new managed care enrollment policy placing clients into an agency-contracted MCO the same month they are determined eligible for managed care as a new or renewing client. This policy eliminates a person being placed temporarily in fee-for-service while they are waiting to be enrolled in an MCO or reconnected with a prior MCO.

New clients are those initially applying for benefits or those with changes in their existing eligibility program that consequently make them eligible for Apple Health Managed Care.

Renewing clients are those who have been enrolled with an MCO but have had a break in enrollment and have subsequently renewed their eligibility.

Clients currently in fee-for-service or currently enrolled in an MCO are not affected by this change. Clients in fee-for-service who have a change in the program they are eligible for may be enrolled into Apple Health Managed Care depending on the program. In those cases, this enrollment policy will apply.

### **How does this policy affect providers?**

- Providers must check eligibility and know when a client is enrolled and with which MCO. For help with enrolling, clients can refer to the Washington Healthplanfinder's [Get Help Enrolling](#) page.
- MCOs have retroactive authorization and notification policies in place. The provider must know the MCO's requirements and be compliant with the MCO's new policies.

## Behavioral Health Organization (BHO)

The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) manages the contracts for behavioral health (mental health and substance use disorder (SUD)) services for nine of the Regional Service Areas (RSA) in the state, excluding Clark and Skamania counties in the Southwest Washington (SW WA) Region. BHOs replaced the Regional Support Networks (RSNs). Inpatient mental health services continue to be provided as described in the inpatient section of the [Mental Health Services Billing Guide](#). BHOs use the [Access to Care Standards \(ACS\)](#) for mental health conditions and [American Society of Addiction Medicine \(ASAM\)](#) criteria for SUD conditions to determine client's appropriateness for this level of care.

## Fully Integrated Managed Care (FIMC)

For clients who live in a fully integrated managed care (FIMC) region, all physical health services, mental health services, and drug and alcohol treatment are covered and coordinated by the client's agency-contracted managed care organization (MCO). The Behavioral Health Organization (BHO) will not provide behavioral health services in these counties.

Clients living in an FIMC region will enroll with an MCO of their choice that is available in that region. If the client does not choose an MCO, the client will be automatically enrolled into one of the available MCOs, unless the client is American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN). Clients currently enrolled in one of the available MCOs in their region may keep their enrollment when the behavioral health services are added.

**Effective July 1, 2017, American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) clients living in an FIMC region of Washington must choose to enroll in one of the agency-contracted MCOs available in that region; or they may choose to receive all these services through Apple Health fee-for-service (FFS). If they do not choose an MCO, they will be automatically enrolled into Apple Health FFS for all their health care services, including comprehensive behavior health services. For more information about the services available under the FFS program, the agency's [Mental Health Services Billing Guide](#) and the [Substance Use Disorder Billing Guide](#).**

For full details on FIMC, including which clients residing in an FIMC region are not enrolled with an MCO and information on complex behavioral health services for foster children in an FIMC region, see the agency's [Managed Care web page](#), the agency's [Integrated physical and behavioral health care web page](#), and the agency's [Regional resource web page](#).

## **FIMC Regions**

### **North Central Region (NC) – Douglas, Chelan and Grant Counties**

**Effective January 1, 2018**, the agency will implement the second FIMC region known as the NC region which includes Douglas, Chelan, and Grant Counties. Clients eligible for managed care enrollment will choose to enroll in an available MCO in their region. Specific details, including information about mental health crisis services, can be found on the agency's [Managed Care web page](#), the agency's [Integrated physical and behavioral health care web page](#), and the agency's [Regional resource web page](#).

### **Southwest Washington Region (SW WA) – Clark and Skamania Counties**

**Effective April 1, 2016**, the agency implemented the first FIMC region known as the SW WA region which includes Clark and Skamania Counties. Clients eligible for managed care enrollment choose to enroll in one of two available MCOs in this region: Community Health Plan of Washington (CHPW) or Molina Healthcare of Washington (MHW).

## **Apple Health Core Connections (AHCC)**

Coordinated Care of Washington (CCW) will provide all physical health care (medical) benefits, lower-intensity outpatient mental health benefits, and care coordination for all Washington State foster care enrollees. These clients include:

- Children and youth under the age of 21 who are in foster care
- Children and youth under the age of 21 who are receiving adoption support
- Young adults age 18 to 26 years old who age out of foster care on or after their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday

American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) children will not be auto-enrolled, but may opt into CCW. All other eligible clients will be automatically enrolled.

## **AHCC complex mental health and substance use disorder services**

AHCC clients who live in Skamania or Clark County receive complex behavioral health benefits through the Behavioral Health Services Only (BHSO) program in the SW WA region. These clients will choose between CHPW or MHW for behavioral health services, or they will be auto-enrolled into one of the two plans. CHPW and MHW will use the BHO Access to Care Standards to support determining appropriate level of care, and whether the services should be provided by the BHSO program or CCW.

AHCC clients who live outside Skamania or Clark County will receive complex mental health and substance use disorder services from the BHO and managed by DSHS.

## Contact Information for Southwest Washington

**Beginning on April 1, 2016**, there is not an RSN/BHO in Clark and Skamania counties. Providers and clients must call the agency-contracted MCO for questions, or call Beacon Health Options for questions related to a person who is not eligible for or enrolled in Medicaid.

If a provider does not know which MCO a client is enrolled in, this information can be located by looking up the patient assignment in ProviderOne.

To contact Molina, Community Health Plan of Washington, or Beacon Health Options, please call:

 <b>MOLINA</b> HEALTHCARE	<a href="#">Molina Healthcare of Washington, Inc.</a> 1-800-869-7165
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 <b>COMMUNITY HEALTH PLAN</b> of Washington	<a href="#">Community Health Plan of Washington</a> 1-866-418-1009
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<b>Beacon Health Options</b>	<a href="#">Beacon Health Options</a> 1-855-228-6502
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# Coverage

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## What services does the agency cover?

The agency covers the following hospital-based inpatient detoxification services only when performed in participating, agency-enrolled hospitals:

- Alcohol detoxification
- Drug detoxification
- Alcohol and drug detoxification for clients detained or involuntarily committed

## Alcohol and drug detoxification

When billing, providers must use one or more of the diagnosis codes that most closely describes the diagnosis. Providers are required to use the code of *highest specificity* (five digit codes) from ICD *whenever possible and applicable*.

Service	ICD Diagnosis Codes	Policy
Alcohol detoxification	See the agency's <a href="#">Approved Diagnosis Codes by Program</a> web page for Hospital-Based Inpatient Detoxification	Covered for up to three days
Drug detoxification		Covered for up to five days

**Note:** Submit claims for alcohol or drug detoxification to the agency (see [Resources Available](#)). When submitting claims, follow the billing instructions found in the [Billing](#) section.

## Alcohol and drug detoxification for clients detained or involuntarily committed

Service	ICD Diagnosis Codes	Policy
<p>Protective custody, or detention, or both, of persons incapacitated by alcohol or other drugs</p>	<p>Same codes found in <a href="#">Alcohol and Drug Detoxification</a></p>	<p>RCW 70.96A.120 provides for the protective custody and emergency detention of persons who are found to be incapacitated or gravely disabled by alcohol or other drugs in a public place.</p> <p>Follow the guidelines in <a href="#">Alcohol and Drug Detoxification</a> when providing services to clients who are both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detained under the protective custody provisions of RCW 70.96A.120; and</li> <li>• Not being judicially committed to further care.</li> </ul>
<p>Involuntary commitment for chemical dependency</p>	<p>Same codes found in <a href="#">Alcohol and Drug Detoxification</a></p>	<p>RCW 70.96A.140 provides for the involuntary commitment (ITA) of persons incapacitated by chemical dependency.</p> <p>When a Petition for Commitment to Chemical Dependency Treatment is filed or a Temporary Order for Treatment is invoked on a client under care in a hospital, there may be a need to hold the client beyond the three- to five-day limitations described in <a href="#">Alcohol and Drug Detoxification</a>.</p> <p>In these situations, the three-day and five-day limitations may be extended up to an additional six days. In this event, DBHR will pay for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to a maximum of nine days for Alcohol ITA Extended Detoxification</li> <li>• Eleven days for Drug ITA Extended Detoxification</li> </ul>

**Note:** Submit claims for alcohol or drug detoxification to the agency (see [Resources Available](#)). When submitting claims, follow the billing instructions found in the [Billing](#) section.

# Authorization

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See the agency's [ProviderOne Billing and Resource Guide](#) for more information about requesting authorization.

# Payment

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## For which services does the agency pay?

WAC [182-550-2650](#) (5)

The agency pays for services only when they meet all of the following conditions. The services must be:

- Provided to eligible persons (see [Client Eligibility](#)).
- Directly related to detoxification.
- Performed by a certified detoxification center or by a general hospital that has a contract with the agency to provide detoxification services.

The agency limits payment for detoxification services to one of the following:

- Three days for an acute alcoholic condition
- Five days for acute drug addiction

The agency pays for detoxification services only when notified *within ten days of the date* detoxification began and all eligibility factors are met.

Payment for hospital-based inpatient detoxification services is based on the following:

Hospitals	Per diem. View current per diem rates at <a href="#">Inpatient Hospital Rates</a>
Physicians	<a href="#">Physician-Related/Health Care Professional Services Fee Schedule</a>

# Billing

## Effective for claims billed on and after October 1, 2016

All claims must be submitted electronically to the agency, except under limited circumstances.

For more information about this policy change, see [Paperless Billing at HCA](#).

For providers approved to bill paper claims, see the agency's [Paper Claim Billing Resource](#).

## What are the general billing requirements?

Providers must follow the agency [ProviderOne Billing and Resource Guide](#). These billing requirements include:

- What time limits exist for submitting and resubmitting claims and adjustments
- When providers may bill a client
- How to bill for services provided to primary care case management (PCCM) clients
- How to bill for clients eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid
- How to handle third-party liability claims
- What standards to use for record keeping

## How do hospitals bill?

When billing for detoxification services, use the following revenue codes **only**:

Revenue Code	Description
126	Room & Board – Semi-Private (Two Beds) Detoxification
136	Room & Board – Semi-Private (Three and Four Beds) Detoxification
156	Room & Board – Ward Detoxification
250	Pharmacy
260	IV Therapy
270	Medical/Surgical Supplies & Devices
300	Laboratory
320	Radiology – Diagnostic
450	Emergency Room
730	EKG/ECG (Electrocardiogram)
740	EEG (Electroencephalogram)

## How do physicians bill?

Physicians wishing to bill for detoxification services provided to the agency clients must follow the instructions found in the agency's [Physician-Related/Health Care Professional Services Provider Guide](#).

## How do I bill for services provided to clients with an involuntary commitment for chemical dependency (ITA)?

To receive payment, submit both of the following forms in addition to the completed institutional claim:

- A DSHS [13-628](#) billing form with a statement on the form that the services are “ITA Extended Detoxification”
- A copy of the **cover page** from the client's Temporary Order for Treatment or Petition for Commitment to Chemical Dependency Treatment

## How do I bill claims electronically?

Instructions on how to bill Direct Data Entry (DDE) claims can be found on the agency's [Billers and Providers](#) web page, under [Webinars](#).

For information about billing Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) claims, see the ProviderOne 5010 companion guides on the [HIPAA Electronic Data Interchange \(EDI\)](#) web page.

The following claim instructions relate to hospital-based inpatient detoxification:

Name	Entry
Place of Service	Enter “21”.