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II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS: (N/A if manual is not updated)
R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED-Only One Per Row.

R/N/D	CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE
N/A	N/A

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II. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: Section 4124 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (CAA, 2023) established coverage and payment under Medicare for the Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) benefit, effective January 1, 2024. IOP services can be furnished in hospitals, Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs), FQHCs and RHCs, and in Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs) for the treatment of opioid use disorder (OUD).

Section 4124(c) of the CAA, 2023 requires payment for IOP services furnished by RHCs and FQHCs to be made at the same payment rate as if it were furnished by a hospital. Section 4124(c) of the CAA, 2023 also requires that costs associated with IOP services furnished by RHCs and FQHCs to not be used to determine payment amounts under the RHC all-inclusive rate (AIR) methodology or FQHC prospective payment system (PPS).

For CY 2024, CMS finalized a 3 services per day and a 4 or more services per day payment rate for IOP services furnished in hospitals and CMHCs. CMS also finalized a 3 services per day payment rate for IOP services furnished in RHCs and FQHCs. At that time, we did not finalize a 4 or more services per day payment rate for RHCs and FQHCs.

This CR provides further alignment with other settings of care that provide IOP services.

B. Policy: We are implementing the following payment rates for 3 services and 4 or more IOP services furnished in RHCs and FQHCs for IOP services furnished on or after January 1, 2025.

IOP Payment Rate:

The IOP payment rate for 3 or fewer service days is \$269.19.

The IOP payment rate for 4 or more service days is \$408.55.

For IOP services furnished in FQHCs, the payment is based on the lesser of an FQHC’s actual charges or the 3 services per day or the 4 or more services per day IOP payment rate, whichever is applicable.

For grandfathered tribal FQHCs, payment will be the Medicare outpatient per visit rate as established by the IHS when furnishing IOP services. That is, payment is based on the lesser of a grandfathered tribal FQHC’s actual charges or the Medicare outpatient per visit rate.

III. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement, and "should" denotes an optional requirement.

Number	Requirement	Responsibility								
		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
13580.1	<p>Contractors shall continue to identify IOP RHC and FQHC claims as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOB is 71X or 77X; • dates of service on or after January 1, 2024; • condition code is 92; • revenue code 0905 or 0519 (MA claims); • and HCPCS code from attachment A. 					X				FQHC Pricer, IOCE, PS&R
13580.2	<p>Contractors shall add a new user controlled field to house the IOP rate for RHC claims (TOB 71X) when 4 or more IOP services are performed.</p> <p>This rate field is effective 01/01/2025.</p> <p>The rate field created in CR13264 will be used when for 3 or fewer IOP services are performed.</p>	X				X				
13580.3	<p>Contractors shall create a process to allow for the updating of the IOP 3 or fewer, or IOP 4 or more rate, effective date, and term date, for all providers with a facility code of S or M. This process should term date any IOP rates with an effective date prior to the newly entered IOP rate’s effective</p>	X				X				

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	date.									
13580.4	<p>Contractors shall pay the IOP rate for 3 or fewer services on RHC claims when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOB is 71X; • the revenue code is 0905; and • modifier CG is present with at least one HCPCS code from attachment A, list A primary services for dates of service on or after January 1, 2025. <p>Only one IOP payment is made per day.</p> <p>NOTE: For dates of service January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024, the rate for 3 or fewer services should be used for all IOP claims.</p>					X			IOCE	
13580.4.1	<p>Contractors shall pay the IOP rate for 4 or more services on RHC claims when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOB is 71X; • dates of service on or after January 1, 2025; • the revenue code is 0905; and • modifier CG is present with at least one HCPCS code from attachment A, list A primary services and at least 3 additional HCPCS codes are reported from list A or B with the same line item date of service. <p>Only one IOP payment is made per day.</p>					X				

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13580.5	The FQHC PRICER shall utilize the composite adjustment flag (CAF) to pay IOP claims (condition code 92) the rate for 3 or fewer services when the payment indicator (PI) is 15 or 16 and the CAF is 04 or pay the rate for 4 or more services when the PI is 15 or 16 and the CAF is 05 for dates of service on or after January 1, 2025. All other logic remains the same.								FQHC Pricer, IOCE	
13580.6	Contractors shall package mental health services (revenue code 900 with modifier CG) submitted with the same line item date of service as IOP services (revenue code 0905 with modifier CG) on RHC claims (71X TOB), effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2025. Note: IOP and mental health services are allowed on the same day but paid a single payment based on the IOP rate.					X				
13580.6.1	Contractors shall ensure the mental health service is shown as covered with the following ANSI information: Group code CO- Contractual obligation CARC 97 The benefit for this service is included in the payment/allowance for					X				

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		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
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	<p>another service/procedure that has already been adjudicated.</p> <p>Note: Refer to the 835 Healthcare Policy Identification Segment (loop 2110 Service Payment Information REF), if present.</p> <p>RARC M15 Separately billed services/tests have been bundled as they are considered components of the same procedure. Separate payment is not allowed.</p> <p>MSN 16.34 - You should not be billed for this service. You are only responsible for any deductible and coinsurance amounts listed in the 'You May Be Billed' column.</p>									

IV. PROVIDER EDUCATION

None

Impacted Contractors: None

V. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements: N/A

"Should" denotes a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:

Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information:N/A

VI. CONTACTS

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Post-Implementation Contact(s): Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

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ATTACHMENTS: 1

Attachment A: IOP Codes and Services

List A Primary Services

HCPCS/CPT	Short Descriptor
90832	Psytx pt&/family 30 minutes
90834	Psytx pt&/family 45 minutes
90837	Psytx pt&/family 60 minutes
90845	Psychoanalysis
90846	Family psytx w/o patient
90847	Family psytx w/patient
90853	Group psychotherapy
90880	Hypnotherapy
96112	Devel tst phys/qhp 1st hr
96116	Neurobehavioral status exam
96130	Psychological testing evaluation by physician/qualified health care professional; first hour
96132	Neuropsychological testing evaluation by physician/qualified health care professional; first hour
96136	Psychological/neuropsychological testing by physician/qualified health care professional; first 30 minutes
96138	Psychological/neuropsychological testing by technician; first 30 minutes
G0410	Grp psych partial hosp/IOP 45-50
G0411	Inter active grp psych PHP/IOP

List B Services

HCPCS/CPT	Short Descriptor
90785	Psytx complex interactive
90791	Psych diagnostic evaluation
90792	Psych diag eval w/med srvc
90832	Psytx pt&/family 30 minutes
90833	Psytx pt&/fam w/e&m 30 min
90834	Psytx pt&/family 45 minutes
90836	Psytx pt&/fam w/e&m 45 min
90837	Psytx pt&/family 60 minutes
90838	Psytx pt&/fam w/e&m 60 min
90839	Psytx crisis initial 60 min
90840	Psytx crisis ea addl 30 min
90845	Psychoanalysis
90846	Family psytx w/o patient
90847	Family psytx w/patient
90849	Multiple family group psytx
90853	Group psychotherapy
90880	Hypnotherapy
90899	Psychiatric service/therapy
96112	Devel tst phys/qhp 1st hr
96116	Neurobehavioral status exam
96130	Psychological testing evaluation by physician/qualified health care professional; first hour
96131	Psychological testing evaluation by physician/qualified health care professional; each additional hour
96132	Neuropsychological testing evaluation by physician/qualified health care professional; first hour
96133	Neuropsychological testing evaluation by physician/qualified health care professional; each additional hour
96136	Psychological/neuropsychological testing by physician/qualified health care professional; first 30 minutes
96137	Psychological/neuropsychological testing by physician/qualified health care professional; each additional 30 minutes
96138	Psychological/neuropsychological testing by technician; first 30 minutes
96139	Psychological/neuropsychological testing by technician; each additional 30 minutes
96146	Psychological/neuropsychological testing; automated result only
96156	Hlth bhv assmt/reassessment
96158	Hlth bhv ivntj indiv 1st 30
96164	Hlth bhv ivntj grp 1st 30
96167	Hlth bhv ivntj fam 1st 30
97151	Bhv id assmt by phys/qhp
97152	Bhv id suprt assmt by 1 tech
97153	Adaptive behavior tx by tech
97154	Grp adapt bhv tx by tech
97155	Adapt behavior tx phys/qhp
97156	Fam adapt bhv tx gdn phy/qhp

HCPCS/CPT	Short Descriptor
97157	Mult fam adapt bhv tx gdn
97158	Grp adapt bhv tx by phy/qhp
G0129	PHP/IOP service
G0176	Opps/php/IOP; activity thrpy
G0177	Opps/php/IOP; train & educ
G0410	Grp psych PHP/IOP 45-50
G0411	Interactive grp psyc PHP/IOP
G0451	Development test interpt&rep