

**STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT**

**State Connecticut**

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- (g) Chemical maintenance services shall be reimbursed based on a provider specific weekly rate. Providers shall be certified and licensed by SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) and the Connecticut Department of Public Health.
- (h) New chemical maintenance providers licensed by the Department of Public Health shall receive the weighted statewide rate as defined below. Existing providers who open additional licensed locations shall receive the provider's current rate as defined below.
- (i) When two or more chemical maintenance providers merge to form a different legal entity, the data used to calculate the provider specific weekly rate of the original entities are totaled and used as the basis for determining a rate for the new entity. The same methodology will be used when one provider purchases another provider.
- (j) In order to qualify for chemical maintenance reimbursement, providers shall ensure all participants receive appropriate intake and/or annual physical exams. This requirement is a prerequisite to being able to bill for chemical maintenance services. Reimbursement for physical exams is a component of the weekly rate and shall not be reimbursed separately.
- (k) Payment for chemical maintenance shall be a weekly rate that includes at least one unit of service per day for seven days. Services may include in-person dosing, seven take-home doses, any in-person clinical service provided at the clinic or any combination thereof. For any week with fewer than seven units of service, the rate will be prorated based on the number of services provided and units billed. A provider may bill multiple weekly rates during an in-person dispensing visit in order to account for the dispensed take-home doses up to the limitations in federal requirements for take-home doses, provided that the total number of doses billed is no greater than the total number of days allocated to each weekly bundled rate.
- (l) Routine substance use counseling is included in the weekly rate and may not be billed separately. Non-routine substance use counseling services, or any mental health service other than routine substance use counseling is not included in the weekly rate and may be provided and paid for separately in accordance with the applicable reimbursement methodology for the service.
- (m) Drug abuse testing services are an integral component of methadone maintenance services. The weekly rate assumes that providers will conduct periodic in-house drug abuse testing services using a rapid response testing mechanism. The minimum frequency for in-house drug abuse testing is eight per year.

(n) The drug abuse testing services conducted by a certified and Medicaid enrolled independent laboratory will bill the Department separately in accordance with section (3) of Attachment 4.19-B of the Medicaid State Plan.

(o) The sources used to develop the provider specific chemical maintenance weekly rate include, but are not limited to:

- Annual Chemical Maintenance Provider cost reports.
- Medicaid claim data from the Medicaid Management Information System.
- Subject matter expertise with developing mental health payment models.
- Provider's budget forecasts and financial statements.
- Feedback from providers and other stakeholders.

(p) Methadone clinic providers shall be reimbursed off of the following provider specific reimbursement schedule.

CHEMICAL MAINTENANCE PROVIDERS	WEEKLY RATE FOR 7 DOSES
APT FOUNDATION INC	\$99.49
CHEMICAL ABUSE SERVICES AGENCY	\$86.18
COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES, INC AKA COMMUNITY PREVENTION AND ADDICTION SVCS	\$97.13
COMMUNITY SUBSTANCE ABUSE CENTERS INC	\$96.27
CONNECTICUT COUNSELING CENTERS INC	\$91.10
HARTFORD DISPENSARY	\$75.80
LIBERATION PROGRAMS INC	\$85.96
NEW ERA REHABILITATION CENTER	\$87.02
REGIONAL NETWORK OF PROGRAMS	\$95.99
NEW CHEMICAL MAINTENANCE PROVICERS (Licensed on or after January 1, 2017)	\$88.52