



**State of New York, Chapter 57
Inpatient Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health Treatments**

For members of AmeriHealth Administrators GeoBlue plan only

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OASAS* licensed inpatient substance use disorder treatment

Effective Jan. 1, 2020: Inpatient detoxification, inpatient rehabilitation, and inpatient residential treatment services (inpatient SUD) provided by facilities in New York State that are licensed, certified or otherwise authorized by the OASAS and participating in Magellan's provider network are not subject to prior authorization review by Magellan Healthcare.

In addition, inpatient SUD services are not subject to concurrent utilization review during the first 28 days of the inpatient admission, provided that the facility notifies Magellan of the inpatient admission and the initial treatment plan within two business days of the admission.

The facility may fax or email the [OASAS Appendix A Notification Form](#) (PDF, page 16) and [OASAS LOCADTR Medical Necessity Tool](#) report to 1-888-686-5976. All inpatient SUD services require facilities to perform daily clinical review of the patient. This does not require a facility to conduct a LOCADTR concurrent review module every day. In addition, all inpatient SUD facilities must periodically consult with Magellan starting on or just prior to the 14th day of treatment to ensure that the facilities are using the LOCADTR tool to ensure that the inpatient treatment is medically necessary for the patient. Inpatient SUD services may be subject to utilization review after the 28th day from admission or upon discharge using the LOCADTR clinical review tool. Prior to the member's discharge, facilities must provide the member and Magellan with a written discharge plan as determined using the LOCADTR clinical review tool. Further, prior to discharge, facilities must indicate to Magellan whether the services included in the discharge plan are secured or determined to be reasonably available. All services may be reviewed retrospectively to assess the clinical necessity of the care.

Facilities that are outside of New York State, facilities that are not licensed, certified or otherwise authorized by the OASAS, and facilities that are outside of Magellan's provider network, must continue to request prior authorization review for inpatient SUD services. All inpatient SUD services provided by such facilities are subject to concurrent review throughout the admission.

Providers with questions regarding these changes are encouraged to call Magellan, during regular business hours, at 1-800-778-2119 for behavioral health.

OMH** licensed inpatient mental health treatment

Effective Jan. 1, 2020: Inpatient mental health treatment for members for all ages provided by OMH licensed hospitals in New York State that are participating in Magellan's provider network are not subject to prior authorization review by Magellan.

Magellan will not conduct concurrent utilization review during the first 14 days of inpatient admissions provided that the facility: i) notifies Magellan of both the admission and the initial treatment plan within two business days of the admission by completing the OMH developed [Two-Day Notification and Initial Treatment Plan](#) (PDF) and submitting it to Magellan by fax 1-888-686-5976; ii) performs daily clinical review of the patient; and iii) participates in periodic consultation with Magellan to ensure that the facility is using the evidence-based and peer reviewed clinical review criteria utilized by Magellan, which is approved by the OMH and appropriate to the age of the patient to ensure medical necessity. All services may be reviewed retrospectively using the clinical review criteria of the plan, which are approved by the OMH.

Out-of-state and out-of-network providers must continue to request prior authorization review for inpatient mental health treatment for members of all ages. All inpatient mental health services provided by such facilities are subject to concurrent review throughout the admission.

Providers with questions regarding these changes are encouraged to call Magellan during regular business hours, at 1-800-778-2119 for behavioral health.

Resources:

Appendix A: OASAS—Initial Notification and Treatment Plan—Inpatient & Residential

Appendix B: OASAS—Initial Notification and Treatment Plan—Outpatient

https://oasas.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/09/utilization_review_concurrent_guidance.pdf

New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports

<https://oasas.ny.gov/locadtr>

OMH Two-Day Notification and Initial Treatment Plan

https://omh.ny.gov/omhweb/bho/two-day-notification-and-initial-treatment-plan_fillable-pdf.pdf

**New York State Office of Mental Health, <https://omh.ny.gov>