



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mainstream Medicaid Managed Care Plans, Health and Recovery Plans (HARPs), HIV Special Needs Plans (HIV SNPs), and Medicaid Advantage Plus (MAP) Plans

**From:** New York State (NYS) Office of Mental Health (OMH)

**Date:** October 16, 2024

**Subject:** Rate Approval: Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS) Quality Improvement Collaboratives (QIC) – Notification of Division of Budget (DOB) Approval

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Dear Health Plan Administrators,

On May 10, 2024, OMH notified Mainstream Medicaid Managed Care Plans, HARPs, HIV SNPs, and MAP Plans (collectively referred to as “MMCPs” herein) of MHOTRS rate updates for both free-standing and hospital-based providers participating in the OMH QIC Initiative, effective October 1, 2023. Rates for MHOTRS free-standing providers eligible for QIC are being increased by 1.86%, bringing the total enhancement percentage from 3.84% to 5.7%. Hospital-based MHOTRS providers with QIC are newly eligible for the enhancement at the same total amount of 5.7%. This memorandum is being sent to alert MMCPs that DOB approved the rate increases for MHOTRS participating in QIC on September 24, 2024.

Per Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2022 and Chapter 451 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 the following as soon as possible but no later than 90 days from this notification, January 14, 2025:

- Configure systems to ensure payable MHOTRS QIC claims for dates of service, October 1, 2023 and thereafter, are reimbursed as described in the May 10, 2024 memorandum; and
- Conduct retrospective reconciliation to adjust payments for clean claims as necessary.

The QIC rates have been posted to the [APG Peer Group Base Rates](#) file on the [OMH Medicaid Reimbursement](#) webpage. Please refer to Appendix A – List of QI Providers 05.10.2024 that was distributed with the original [Mandated Rate Update: Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and Rehabilitative Services \(MHOTRS\) Quality Improvement Collaboratives \(QIC\) \(ny.gov\)](#) notification to MMCPs for a list of MHOTRS Hospital and Freestanding providers in receipt of the QIC enhancement and corresponding rates.

If you have any questions regarding these rate changes, please contact OMH Managed Care at 518-402-2822 or [BHO@omh.ny.gov](mailto:BHO@omh.ny.gov).