

# **Quality Assurance Bulletin**

## Quality Assurance Unit

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## **GUIDE TO PROCEDURE CODES UPDATES**

The Guide to Procedure Codes for Specialty Mental Health Services ("the Guide") has been updated based on updated information and clarifications from the State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) as well as other updates based on further review of the DHCS Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/2025 Service Table.

Below summarizes the updates to the Guide. The changes are effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2024. For directly operated staff using IBHIS, no change in practice is needed as all updates are accounted for centrally through IBHIS set-up.

#### **MODIFIERS:**

✓ Added the use of modifiers 93 (telephone) and 95 (telehealth) for T2021 and T2024.

#### PROCEDURE CODES:

- ✓ Added Occupational Therapist to service codes 96110, T2024 (Developmental Screening), and 96116.
- ✓ Added lockout code 96110 to service code 96112.
- ✓ Added or deleted service codes under Practitioner Second Service Requiring Modifier for the following codes:

## Psychotherapy Codes

- 90847 added 90832-90834\*
- T2021 (Family Psychotherapy) added 90832-90834\*
- 90849 deleted 99237\*\*
- T2021:HQ (Multi-Family Group Psychotherapy) deleted 99237\*\*

### **Evaluation and Management Medication**

- 99203 deleted 99203\*\*
- 99345 deleted 99105\* and replaced it with 96105\*
- 99347 delete 96369-97370\* and replaced it with 96369-96374\*
- 99221 deleted 99343\*\* and 99346\*\*
- 99222 added 96105\*, 96369-96374\*\*, 99238-99239\*\*, 99242-99245\*\*, 99252-99255\*\*
   AND deleted 99217-99220\*\*,99324-99327\*\*,99343\*\*

#### Non Evaluation and Management Evaluation

96373 - added 99242-99243\*\* and deleted 99324-99328\*\*

If directly-operated or contracted providers have any questions related to this Bulletin, please contact the QA Unit at <a href="mailto:QAPolicy@dmh.lacounty.gov">QAPolicy@dmh.lacounty.gov</a>

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