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Nevada Medicaid Web Announcement 4003

Medicaid Services Manual Chapters Updated

The following Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) chapters have been updated and posted on the Nevada Medicaid website:

- MSM Chapter 400 – Mental Health Services (effective August 26, 2026)

<https://www.nevadamedicaid.nv.gov/resources/medicaid-services-manual/chapter-400-mental-health-services/>

Nevada Medicaid has adopted revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 400 – Mental Health Services. These revisions were heard and approved through the Public Hearing process pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 422.2369 on August 25, 2026, and became effective August 26, 2026.

The adopted changes are a result of provider and stakeholder feedback. Most of the updates focus on improving clarity through cleanup, technical changes, and reorganization. These changes do not alter service delivery. Clarifying and cleanup revisions are being made to the following sections: Provider Standards, Supervision Standards, Documentation, Provider Qualifications, Outpatient Mental Health Services (Assessments/ Screenings, Partial Hospitalization Programs, Intensive Outpatient Programs (IOP), Coordinated Specialty Care, and Medication Training and Support), and Rehabilitative Treatment Services (Basic Skills Training (BST) and Psychosocial Rehabilitation). There is one substantive change: the removal of peer support services from the scope of Qualified Behavioral Aide (QBA), Qualified Mental Health Associate (QMHA), and Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP).

- MSM Chapter 1200 – Prescribed Drugs (effective August 31, 2026)

<https://www.nevadamedicaid.nv.gov/resources/medicaid-services-manual/chapter-1200-prescribed-drugs/>

Nevada Medicaid has adopted revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 1200 – Prescribed Drugs. These revisions were heard and approved through the Public Hearing process pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 422.2369 on **August 25, 2026**, and became effective **August 31, 2026**.

The adopted changes include updating clinical criteria for Mavyret® and revised prior authorization duration for indication of Genotype 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6, treatment naïve without cirrhosis in Anti-Hepatitis Agents. Updated clinical criteria for Anti-Lipidemic Agents – PCSK9 Inhibitors.

- MSM Chapter 1700 – Therapy (effective August 26, 2026)

<https://www.nevadamedicaid.nv.gov/resources/medicaid-services-manual/chapter-1700-therapy/>

Nevada Medicaid has adopted revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 1700 – Therapy, Section 1703.1B. These revisions were heard and approved through the Public Hearing process pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 422.2369 on **August 25, 2026**, and became effective **August 26, 2026**.

The adopted changes include correcting the prior authorization requirement for therapy services provided to children. Prior authorization was not required for children through the age of three years old. Therefore, language has been updated to state that prior authorization is not required for children under the age of four years old.

- MSM Chapter 3100 – Hearings (effective August 26, 2026)

<https://www.nevadamedicaid.nv.gov/resources/medicaid-services-manual/chapter-3100-hearings/>

Nevada Medicaid has adopted revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 3100 – Hearings. These revisions were heard and approved through the Public Hearing process pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 422.2369 on **August 25, 2026**, and became effective **January 1, 2026**.

The adopted changes align with legislative requirements under Assembly Bill (AB) 36 (83rd Legislative Session, 2025), which amended Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 422.306 requiring Nevada Medicaid to adopt regulations prescribing extenuating circumstances justifying the submission of a Fair Hearing request beyond the standard 90 calendar day period. To ensure compliance with state law, these revisions will be retroactively applied to January 1, 2026, in accordance with NRS 422.2369(2).

Additionally, Nevada Medicaid has adopted revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 3100 – Hearings. These revisions were heard and approved through the Public Hearing process pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 422.2369 on **August 25, 2026**, and became effective **August 26, 2026**.

The adopted changes include adding clarifying language for the submission of Fair Hearing Requests and for the Fair Hearing processes for Medicaid Recipients and Providers.

- MSM Chapter 4400 – Crisis Services (effective August 26, 2026)

<https://www.nevadamedicaid.nv.gov/resources/medicaid-services-manual/chapter-4400-crisis-services/>

Nevada Medicaid has adopted revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 4400 – Crisis Services. These revisions were heard and approved through the Public Hearing process pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 422.2369 on **August 25, 2026**, and became effective **August 26, 2026**.

The adopted changes include updating sections of MSM Chapter 4400: Intensive Crisis Stabilization Service (ICSS) Facility and Crisis Stabilization Center (CSC).

- MSM Chapter 4500 – Behavioral Health Training Clinic (effective August 26, 2026)

<https://www.nevadamedicaid.nv.gov/resources/medicaid-services-manual/chapter-4500-behavioral-health-training-clinic/>

Nevada Medicaid has adopted revisions to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 4500 – Behavioral Health Training Clinic. These revisions were heard and approved through the Public Hearing process pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 422.2369 on **August 25, 2026**, and became effective **August 26, 2026**.

The adopted changes include updating the covered medical and non-medical services and adding supervision, education, and training provided to the behavioral health trainees as a non-covered service.