

UPDATED ONLY FOR LOGO AND BRANDING**Provider Notice**

To: All PerformCare Network Providers
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Subject: AD 11 109 Clarification of Payment Policy for Day of Admission and Day of Discharge for Inpatient Services

The following information is to clarify PerformCare's payment protocols concerning discharge dates for certain levels of care. Similar to many insurers, our protocol has been to pay for admission dates (regardless of time of admission) and not pay for discharge dates (regardless of time of discharge). However, we have not issued prior formal clarification of which specific levels of care are affected by this protocol. The following Levels of Care with appropriate authorization will be paid for the admission date and not for the discharge date. Providers should bill accordingly.

- Mental Health Inpatient Psychiatric Services
- Mental Health Inpatient Extended Acute Care
- Inpatient Drug & Alcohol Detoxification
- Inpatient Drug & Alcohol Rehabilitation
- Non-Hospital Residential, Detoxification, & Rehabilitation inclusive of all service categories:
 - D&A Medically Monitored Detox
 - D&A Medically Monitored Residential, Short-term
 - D&A Medically Monitored Residential, Long-term
 - D&A Halfway House
- RTF for Children and Adolescents – JCAHO
- RTF for Children and Adolescents – non-JCAHO

Appropriate professional fees, such as CPT code 99238, Hospital Discharge Day Professional Services, will continue to be paid on the date of discharge.

For these same levels of care, if a Member is admitted and discharged on the same date (e.g., AMA or other discharge on same day as admission), there will be no payment.

Please distribute this clarification to the attention of your billing department. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your Provider Relations Representative at 1-888-700-7370.