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Combines existing:

5122-29-05: MH Pharmacologic Management Service
3793:2-1-08(S): AoD Medical/Somatic Services
3793:2-1-08(R): AoD Urinalysis Service
3793:2-1-08(X): AoD Ambulatory Detoxification Service

5122-29-05 **Medical services.**

(A) “Medical services” are those activities that are performed within professional scope of practice and in authorized settings by staff that are licensed or certified by the state medical board of Ohio or the state of Ohio board of nursing; and are intended to address the behavioral and other physical health needs of clients receiving treatment for psychiatric symptoms or substance use disorders.

(B) Medical services include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Performing healthcare screenings, assessments, and exams;
- (2) Checking vital signs;
- (3) Ordering laboratory tests and reviewing the results; and,
- (4) Medication prescribing, administering, and monitoring.

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5122-29-05 **Pharmacologic management service.**

(A) Pharmacologic management service is a psychiatric/mental health/medical intervention used to reduce/stabilize and/or eliminate psychiatric symptoms with the goal of improved functioning, including management and reduction of symptoms.

Pharmacologic management services should result in well-informed/educated individuals and family members and in decreased/minimized symptoms and improved/maintained functioning for individuals receiving the service. The purpose/intent is to:

- (1) Address psychiatric/mental health needs as identified in the mental health assessment and documented in the client's ISP;
- (2) Evaluate medication prescription, administration, monitoring, and supervision;
- (3) Inform individuals and family regarding medication and its actions, effects and side effects so that they can effectively participate in decisions concerning medication that is administered/dispensed to them;
- (4) Assist individuals in obtaining prescribed medications, when needed; and
- (5) Provide follow-up, as needed.

(B) Pharmacologic management service shall consist of one or more of the following elements as they relate to the individual's psychiatric needs, and as clinically indicated:

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- (1) Performance of a psychiatric/mental health examination;
- (2) Prescription of medications and related processes which include:
 - (a) Consideration of allergies, substance use, current medications, medical history, and physical status;
 - (b) Behavioral health education to individuals and/or families, (e.g., purpose, risks, side effects, and benefits of the medication prescribed); and
 - (c) Collaboration with the individual and/or family, including their response to the education, as clinically indicated.

The method of delivery of education can be to an individual or group of individuals.

- (3) Administration and supervision of medication and follow-up, as clinically indicated. Prescription, administration and supervision of medication is governed by professional licensure standards, Revised Code, Administrative Code, and scope of practice.
 - (a) Clinicians who order medications and persons who receive medication orders shall be appropriately licensed and acting within the scope of their practice.
 - (4) Medication monitoring consisting of monitoring the effects of medication, symptoms, behavioral health education and collaboration with the individual and/or family as clinically indicated. The method of delivery of medication monitoring can be to an individual or group of individuals.
- (C) The following shall apply with regard to the use of interactive videoconferencing. Interactive videoconferencing is defined in Chapter 5122-24 of the Administrative Code.
- (1) "Client site" means the location of a client at the time at which the service is furnished via interactive videoconferencing technology.
 - (2) "Provider site" means the site where the eligible practitioner furnishing the service is located at the time the service is rendered via interactive videoconferencing technology.
 - (3) The agency shall obtain from the client/parent/legal guardian, signed, written consent for the use of videoconferencing technology.
 - (4) It is the responsibility of the agency to assure contractually that any entity or individuals involved in the transmission of the information guarantee that the confidentiality of the information is protected. When the client chooses to utilize videoconferencing equipment at a client site that is not arranged for by the agency, e.g., at his/her home or that of a family or friend, the agency is not responsible for any breach of confidentiality caused by individuals present at the client site.
 - (5) The agency shall provide the client written information on how to access assistance in a crisis, including one caused by equipment malfunction or failure.
 - (6) It is the responsibility of the agency to assure that equipment meets standards sufficient to:
 - (a) Assure confidentiality of communication;
 - (b) Provide for interactive videoconferencing communication between the practitioner and the client; and
 - (c) Assure videoconferencing picture and audio are sufficient to assure real-time interaction between the

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client and the provider and to assure the quality of the service provided.

(d) The client site must also have a person available who is familiar with the operation of the videoconferencing equipment, in the event of a problem with the operation.

(e) If the client chooses to utilize videoconferencing equipment at a client site that is not arranged for by the agency, e.g., at his/her home or that of a family or friend, the agency is only responsible for assuring the equipment standards at the provider site.

(7) The decision of whether or not to provide initial or occasional in-person sessions shall be based upon client choice, appropriate clinical decision-making, and professional responsibility, including the requirements of professional licensing, registration or credentialing boards.

(D) Pharmacologic management service shall be provided and supervised by staff who are qualified according to rule 5122-29-30 of the Administrative Code.

3793:2-1-08 Treatment services.

(R) Urinalysis means the testing of an individual's urine specimen to detect the presence of alcohol and other drugs. Urinalysis includes laboratory testing and/or urine dip screen.

(1) Laboratory testing procedures include:

(a) Urine specimens for urinalysis/lab analysis can be collected at a program site certified by the Ohio department of alcohol and drug addiction services, in the client's natural environment or at a laboratory.

(b) Programs that perform urinalysis/lab analysis shall have a standing physician's, clinical nurse specialist's or certified nurse practitioner's order for each client needing this service.

(c) Programs that perform urinalysis/lab analysis shall have a written procedure for a chain of custody of urine specimens.

(d) Urine specimens shall be collected in a manner to minimize falsification.

(e) Containers for urine specimens shall be labeled to reflect:

(i) The identification of the person from whom the specimen was obtained.

(ii) Date that the specimen was obtained.

(f) Urinalysis/lab analysis shall be performed by a laboratory that is in compliance with all applicable federal proficiency testing and licensing standards.

(g) Results of urinalysis/lab analysis testing shall be reviewed by the program staff and a copy of the results placed in the client's file. Positive results shall be shared with the client.

(2) Urine dip screen procedures include:

(a) Urine specimens shall be collected in a manner to minimize falsification.

(b) Programs that perform urine dip screens do not need a standing physician's clinical nurse specialist's or certified nurse practitioner's order for each client needing this service.

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(c) Containers for urine specimens shall be labeled to reflect:

(i) The identification of the person from whom the specimen was obtained.

(ii) Date that the specimen was obtained.

(d) Results of the urine dip screen shall be reviewed by the program staff and a copy of the results placed in the client's file. Positive results shall be shared with the client.

(S) Medical/somatic services means medical services, medication administration services, medication assisted treatment, and the dispensing of medications in an alcohol and other drug treatment program.

(1) Medical/somatic services shall be delivered at a program site certified by the Ohio department of alcohol and drug addiction services.

(2) Medical services means those activities performed by a physician, registered nurse or licensed practical nurse to address the physical needs of clients. Medical services include, but are not limited to: health care examinations, health assessments, taking vital signs and reviewing laboratory findings.

(a) Medical services shall be delivered by staff who are credentialed by the Ohio board of nursing or by the Ohio state medical board.

(b) Providers of medical services shall be supervised by a registered nurse who is registered with the Ohio nursing board or by a physician who is licensed by the Ohio state medical board.

(3) Medication administration services means the administration or dispensing of medications to clients. This service does not include detoxification, rehabilitation, opioid agonist administration or urinalysis. Only physicians and pharmacists are authorized to dispense medications.

(4) Medication assisted treatment means the services of a medical professional directly related to the use of medications to provide a whole patient approach to the treatment of substance abuse disorders. This includes, but is not limited to, services associated with prescribing medications, the direct administration of medications and follow-up monitoring of patient health related to the use of medications. Medications utilized must be approved by the U.S. food and drug administration specifically for the treatment of alcohol and/or drug abuse or dependence. Medication assisted treatment does not include services as defined in paragraphs (T) and (X) of this rule. Medication assisted treatment shall be administered in the following manner:

(a) At an outpatient or residential program certified by the department of alcohol and drug addiction services or in the natural environment of the client.

(b) By a physician who is licensed by the state of Ohio medical board and is in compliance with any applicable waiver requirement related to the Drug Addiction Treatment Act (DATA) of 2000. The physician is the only medical professional who may provide medication assisted treatment in the natural environment of the client.

(c) Services of a non physician medical professional must be directed by the treating physician and shall be considered a component of the medication assisted treatment service.

(d) The treating physician must be immediately available to assist the non-physician.

(e) Comply with all state and federal laws and regulations related to the administration, dispensing and prescribing of medication assisted treatment.

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(X) Ambulatory detoxification services means face-to-face interactions with an individual who is suffering mild to moderate symptoms of withdrawal, for the purpose of alcohol and/or drug detoxification. This service shall be supervised by a physician, under a defined set of policies and procedures, who is licensed by the state of Ohio medical board. Ambulatory detoxification services shall be provided by an outpatient program that is certified by the department of alcohol and drug addiction services. Department certified halfway house and residential treatment programs that want to provide ambulatory detoxification services need not obtain outpatient certification from the department.