

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES



PROPOSED CHANGES TO REGULATIONS

MEDICAID PROCEDURE CODES & RATES, AUTISM SERVICES

- **7 AAC 145. MEDICAID PAYMENT RATES**
 - 7 AAC 145.580. Behavioral health services payment rates.
- **7 AAC 160. MEDICAID PROGRAM; GENERAL PROVISIONS.**
 - 7 AAC 160.900. Requirements adopted by reference.



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**Please see the public notice for details about how to
comment on these proposed changes.**

Notes to reader:

1. Except as discussed in note 2, new text that amends an existing regulation is **bolded and underlined**.
2. If the lead-in line above the text of each section of the regulations states that a new section, subsection, paragraph, or subparagraph is being added, or that an existing section, subsection, paragraph, or subparagraph is being repealed and readopted (replaced), *the new or replaced text is not bolded or underlined*.
3. [ALL-CAPS TEXT WITHIN BRACKETS] indicates text that is to be deleted.
4. When the word “including” is used, Alaska Statutes provide that it means “including, but not limited to.”
5. Only the text that is being changed within a section of the current regulations is included in this draft. Refer to the text of that whole section, published in the current Alaska Administrative Code, to determine how a proposed change relates within the context of the whole section and the whole chapter.

Title 7 Health and Social Services.**Chapter 145. Medicaid Payment Rates.****7 AAC 145.580. Behavioral health services payment rates.**

7 AAC 145.580(d)(2) is amended to read:

(d) The department will pay a corresponding unit of service for providing autism services under 7 AAC 135.350 at the lesser of the following rates:

- (1) the amount charged by the provider in accordance with 7 AAC 145.020; or
- (2) the rate established in the department's *Medicaid Procedure Codes and Rates - Autism Services*, adopted by reference in 7 AAC 160.900 [; FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2020, THE PAYMENT RATES WILL BE 95 PERCENT OF JANUARY 8, 2019 PAYMENT RATES].

(Eff. 2/1/2010, Register 193; am 10/1/2011, Register 199; am 4/9/2017, Register 222; am 5/21/2017, Register 222; am 7/1/2018, Register 226; am 1/1/2019, Register 228; am 7/1/2019, Register 231; am 10/25/2019, Register 232; am ____/____/____, Register ____)

Authority: AS 47.05.010 AS 47.07.030 AS 47.07.040

Chapter 160. Medicaid Program; General Provisions.**7 AAC 160.900. Requirements adopted by reference.**

7 AAC 160.900(d) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(d) The following department documents are adopted by reference:

(XX) *Medicaid Procedure Codes and Rates - Autism Services*, dated May 5, 2020;

(Eff. 2/1/2010, Register 193; am 8/25/2010, Register 195; am 12/1/2010, Register 196; am 1/1/2011, Register 196; am 1/15/2011, Register 197; am 2/9/2011, Register 197; am 3/1/2011, Register 197; am 10/1/2011, Register 199; am 12/1/2011, Register 200; am 1/26/2012, Register 201; am 3/8/2012, Register 201; am 4/1/2012, Register 201; add'l am 4/1/2012, Register 201; am 5/11/2012, Register 202; am 10/16/2012, Register 204; am 11/3/2012, Register 204; am 12/1/2012, Register 204; am 12/2/2012, Register 204; am 1/1/2013, Register 204; am 1/16/2013, Register 205; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 11/3/2013, Register 208; am 1/1/2014, Register 208; am 2/2/2014, Register 209; am 3/19/2014, Register 209; am 3/22/2014, Register 209; am 5/18/2014, Register 210; am 2/26/2015, Register 213; am 3/15/2015, Register 213; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 5/1/2016, Register 218; am 6/16/2016, Register 218; am 6/16/2016, Register 218; am 7/22/2017, Register 223; am 11/5/2017, Register 224; am 3/1/2018, Register 225; am 10/1/2018, Register 227; am 1/1/2019, Register 228; am 3/24/2019, Register 229; am 6/2/2019, Register 230; am 6/13/2019, Register 230; am 7/1/2019, Register 231; am 10/25/2019, Register 232; am 11/10/2019, Register 232; am ____/____/____, Register ____)

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