

# Provider Notice



**From:** Magellan Healthcare

**Subject:** Invitation: 2026 ASAM 2.1 IOP peer review participation

## Overview

Magellan invites American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) 2.1 Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) providers to participate in the 2026 Substance Use Disorder (SUD) peer review process. This process is conducted in partnership with Idaho providers and supports compliance with [SAMHSA Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant \(SUBG\)](#) requirements.

**Building on the success of the 2025 peer reviews, Magellan is expanding the focus in 2026 to include outpatient levels of care, beginning with ASAM 2.1 IOP.** This expanded focus is designed to increase provider participation, collaboration, and shared learning across the statewide network.

## What can you expect?

The peer review process is focused on quality improvement. You can expect:

- A one-day, in-person review scheduled cooperatively
- Participation in a reciprocal peer review model
- Review activities that include:
  - Chart reviews using a standardized tool
  - Staff and member focus groups facilitated by Magellan
  - Entrance and exit conferences
- Direct feedback highlighting strengths, opportunities, and shared themes

Magellan staff will be onsite to facilitate the process and support peer reviewers but do not conduct or score the reviews.

## Why participate?

Providers who participated in the 2025 peer reviews consistently described the experience as **collaborative, informative and professionally rewarding**. Participants reported learning as much from reviewing peers as from being reviewed.

Key benefits include:

- Meaningful peer to peer connection and idea sharing
- Constructive feedback on clinical documentation and workflows
- Insight into best practices for group programming and engagement
- Valuable staff and member feedback gathered through structured focus groups
- Ongoing support from Magellan staff

- Contribution to statewide quality improvement efforts

## Who should apply?

Magellan is seeking providers that:

- Deliver ASAM 2.1 Intensive Outpatient SUD services
- Serve members funded through the SUBG
- Have qualified clinical staff available to participate as peer reviewers
- Are interested in collaboration, learning, and quality improvement

This opportunity is open to two agencies per hub including Northern, Southern, and Eastern Idaho.

## Interested in participating?

Magellan will host informational forums with additional details. Agencies interested in volunteering for the 2026 ASAM 2.1 IOP peer reviews should watch for upcoming communications or contact Rebekah Nansel, provider relations manager, at [NanselR@MagellanHealth.com](mailto:NanselR@MagellanHealth.com).

## When will the forums take place?

The forums will be held on the following dates for one hour. Register today by clicking on the links below for the date and time that works best for you.

- [Tuesday, May 5 at 5 pm MT, 4 pm PT](#)
- [Wednesday, May 6 at 9 am MT, 8 am PT](#)

We appreciate the continued partnership with Idaho providers and look forward to working together to strengthen SUD services across the state.