

From: Magellan Healthcare

Subject: New cost sharing process for Other State Funded services

Attention: New cost sharing requirement for Other State Funded services. This change will not affect members receiving funding through SOR/SUPTRS.

Overview

Magellan Healthcare is implementing a new cost share requirement, as mandated by <u>HB 220</u>, for members seeking certain Other State Funded (OSF) behavioral health services.

What is Other State Funding (OSF)?

OSF is the limited behavioral health benefits provided through the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare for Idaho residents who are not enrolled in Medicaid. This funding supports eligible individuals seeking Substance Use Disorder (SUD) or Mental Health services when no other coverage is available.

What's changing?

- During initial eligibility screenings, applicants will verbally report financial information to calculate their household's Adjusted Gross Income (AGI).
- Members must spend up to 5% of their AGI on behavioral health services before qualifying for OSF programs.
- Hardship¹ exceptions are available to ensure access isn't lost due to financial strain.
 - o If a hardship is granted, members will be eligible for funding for one year.
- This change does not affect members currently eligible for other state funding until their annual renewal.

What providers need to know

• Screening staff will be trained beginning July 1; minimal system changes are expected.

¹ A financial hardship is defined as having difficulty paying your basic living expenses such as housing, food, childcare and repayments on your loans and debts when they are due.

• Magellan is developing a frequently asked questions document to share with members and providers. It will be released by the end of July.

Magellan is committed to a smooth transition and appreciate your support in maintaining access to care.

Questions?

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