

## **Subpart 13. Pregnant Women Extended Services**

### **Chapter 163. Substance Use Screening and Intervention Services**

#### **§16301. General Provisions**

A. The department shall provide coverage of medically necessary substance use screening and intervention services rendered to Medicaid-eligible pregnant women at the discretion of the medical professional providing care to the pregnant woman.

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#### **§16303. Scope of Services**

A. Screening services shall include the screening of pregnant women for:

1. alcohol use;
2. tobacco use;
3. drug use; and/or
4. domestic violence.

B. Intervention services shall include a counseling session, which shall be a minimum of 15-30 minutes in duration, with a health care professional intended to motivate the recipient to develop a plan to moderate or cease their use of alcohol and/or drugs.

C. Service Limits. Substance use screening and intervention services shall be limited to one occurrence per pregnancy, or once every 270 days. Pregnant women may

also receive up to eight tobacco cessation counseling sessions per year.

1. If the recipient experiences a miscarriage or fetal death and becomes pregnant within the 270-day period, screening and intervention services shall be reimbursed for the subsequent pregnancy.

D. Tobacco Cessation Counseling and Pharmacotherapy. The department shall provide coverage of diagnostic, therapeutic counseling services and pharmacotherapy for the cessation of tobacco use by pregnant women who use tobacco products or who are being treated for tobacco use. Counseling sessions shall be face-to-face with an appropriate health care professional.

1. Pregnant women may receive four counseling sessions per quit attempt, up to two quit attempts per calendar year. The period of coverage for these services shall include the prenatal period through 60 days postpartum. Services shall be provided:

- a. by or under the supervision of a physician; or
- b. by any other health care professional who is:
  - i. legally authorized to furnish such services under Louisiana state law and is authorized to provide Medicaid coverable services other than tobacco cessation; or
  - ii. legally authorized to provide tobacco cessation services under Louisiana state law and is designated by the secretary of the department to provide these services.

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### **§16305. Reimbursement Methodology**

A. Reimbursement for substance use screening and intervention services provided to pregnant women shall be a flat fee based on the appropriate current procedural terminology (CPT) code.

1. No reimbursement shall be made in excess of the established service limits.

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is not providing care in compliance with Medicaid regulations and/or state laws.

B. The Department of Health and Hospitals may, at its discretion, cancel the participation of these facilities if:

1. it determines that the health care needs of the Louisiana's American Indian population are not being met by the facility; or

2. CMS discontinues the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement with Indian Health Service which allow states to claim 100 percent federal medical assistance percentage for payments made by the state for services rendered to Medicaid eligible American Indians through an IHS owned or leased facility or a tribal "638" facility.

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