

# Practice Alert



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## Children's Treatment Services Updates for FY2025

### Therapeutic Services:

All therapeutic services units are changing to 60 minutes instead of 30 minutes to be more in line with Medicaid billing units. The change will be located under the Billing Information section in the Catalog of Services. The therapeutic services that will be changing are:

- **Assessment:** The unit of service shall be sixty (60) minutes of face-to-face interaction between the contractor and/or contractor's personnel and the client; and/or, administering, scoring or interpreting any instrument used in the assessment. Scoring or interpreting shall be limited to one (1) unit per client assessment. The maximum number of units allowed per year is five (5).
- **Behavioral Health Services:** The unit of service shall be sixty (60) minutes of face-to-face interaction between the contractor and/or contractor's personnel providing services, and the client. The maximum number of units allowed per month is five (5).
- **Family Therapy:** The unit of service shall be sixty (60) minutes of face-to-face interaction between the contractor or the contractor's personnel providing services, and two (2) or more family members, or occasionally one (1) family member, as authorized by the Department's local office. The maximum number of units allowed per month is five (5).
- **Individual Therapy:** The unit of service shall be sixty (60) minutes of face-to-face interaction between the contractor, and/or the contractor's professional personnel providing services, and the client. The maximum number of units allowed per month is ten (5).
- **Group Therapy:** The unit of service shall be sixty (60) minutes of face-to-face interaction between the contractor or the contractor's personnel providing services to a client within the group. Unless otherwise authorized by the Department, group therapy must consist of at least three (3) but no more than ten (10) individuals who are not members of the same family. The contractor shall be reimbursed on a per client basis. The maximum number of units allowed per month is eight (8).
- **Speech Therapy:** The unit of service shall be sixty (60) minutes of face-to-face contact with the client. The maximum number of units allowed per day is two (2).
- **Testing:** The unit of service shall be sixty (60) minutes of face-to-face interaction between the contractor or the contractor's personnel providing services, and the client; or, administering, scoring or interpreting any instrument used in the assessment. Scoring or interpreting shall be

limited to an additional two (2) units per client assessment. The maximum number of units allowed per year is four (4).

### **Drug Testing:**

- Drug testing will be offering a single panel Urine test for \$20 and a single panel Hair Follicle test for \$100.00. The single panel test is intended to aide in paying for add-ons for substances that are not included in full panel testing, such as Fentanyl.
- Drug testing is now divided in two categories. Children's Division will offer non-court ordered or court ordered drug testing. The CTS Procedure Codes for the separate categories are listed below. A court ordered drug test must have the court order attached to the invoice. A court order could order drug testing specifically or order that a Children's Division Written Service Agreement be followed and drug testing is in that agreement.

The CTS Procedure Codes will be as follows:

- CTS Procedure Code(s) for Non-Court Ordered (They remain the same.):
- DU01 (Urine, Single Panel)
- DU05 (Urine, Five Panel)
- DU09 (Urine, Nine Panel)
- DU10 (Urine, Ten Panel)
- DU11 (Urine, Eleven Panel)
- DH05 (Hair Follicle, Five Panel)
- DH09 (Hair Follicle, Nine Panel)
- DH10 (Hair Follicle, Ten Panel)
- DH11 (Hair Follicle, Eleven Panel)
- DMRO (Medical Review Officer Test Results Review)
- DSPC (Drug Specimen Positive Confirmation Test)
- ETOH (Alcohol testing, breath or urine)
- ORAL (Oral fluid drug test)

CTS Procedure Code(s) for Court Ordered:

- CU01 (Urine, Single Panel)
- CU05 (Urine, Five Panel)
- CU09 (Urine, Nine Panel)
- CU10 (Urine, Ten Panel)
- CU11 (Urine, Eleven Panel)
- CH01 (Hair Follicle, Single Panel)
- CH05 (Hair Follicle, Five Panel)
- CH09 (Hair Follicle, Nine Panel)
- CH10 (Hair Follicle, Ten Panel)
- CH11 (Hair Follicle, Eleven Panel)
- CMRO (Medical Review Officer Test Results Review)
- CSPC (Drug Specimen Positive Confirmation Test)
- CTOH (Alcohol testing, breath or urine)
- CRAL (Oral fluid drug test)

### **Behavioral Transportation Form:**

A new Behavioral Transportation Form has been developed to allow Behavioral Transportation providers the choice between the current form or the new form. (Appendix 2-Children's Treatment Services Mileage Log or Appendix 3-Children's Treatment Services Behavioral Transportation)

**Provider Request for Compensation for court hearing participation:**

Appendix 4: Addresses provider request for compensation for attendance and participation in court hearings and court-related proceedings.

The Children's Treatment Services, Catalog of Services link is: <https://dss.mo.gov/bids/files/cts-catalog-services.pdf>.

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