

PROVIDER ALERT

Update to Service Codes for Residential Crisis Services

May 4, 2023

Target Audience: Residential Crisis Providers

Treatment code H0018 will be replacing code S9485 for Residential Crisis Services. This change is necessitated by nationwide adoption of the S9485 code for Crisis Stabilization services instead of Residential Crisis.

- Effective June 1 2023, providers will be presented with code H0018 in place of S9485 on the following authorization plans, and S9485 will no longer be available
 - MH-Residential Crisis-Initial Authorization
 - MH-Residential Crisis-Concurrent
- For **dates of service** through June 30, 2023 the S9485 code will still pay if the authorization was obtained for S9485.
- For **dates of service** July 1 and later, the S9485 code will not pay for Residential Crisis.
- Claims must be submitted with the same codes under which authorizations were obtained. If authorization was under S9485, then claims should be submitted with S9485. If authorization was under H0018, then claims should be submitted with H0018.

Please note, there are **no changes** to the T2048 code or to the professional billing codes used for Residential Crisis Services. Please continue to use these codes as usual.

If you have questions about the information contained in this alert, please contact Optum Maryland customer service at 1-800-888-1965.

Thank you,

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