

PROFESSIONAL NETWORK REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

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I. DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND

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This policy documents the methodology used to determine the Plan allowance for eligible mental health services based on the level of licensure of the performing provider.

II. DEFINITIONS

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N/A

III. POLICY

Professional providers will be reimbursed for eligible mental health services based on the level of licensure of the performing provider.

Eligible mental health services performed by an eligible physician (psychiatrist) are considered for reimbursement at one hundred percent (100%) of the fee schedule allowance.

Eligible mental health services performed by an eligible psychologist are considered for reimbursement at eighty-five percent (85%) of the fee schedule allowance.

Eligible mental health services performed by an eligible, licensed professional counselor, licensed marriage and family therapist, licensed clinical social worker

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or licensed social worker are considered for reimbursement at sixty percent (60%) of the fee schedule allowance.

In addition to the criteria and conditions contained in this policy, the service, procedure or item must be deemed medically necessary, must be a covered member benefit and is subject to member cost sharing provisions.

IV. EXCLUSIONS [TOP](#)

N/A

V. VARIATIONS [TOP](#)

This policy is applicable to all programs and products administered by Capital BlueCross unless otherwise indicated below.

VI. REFERENCES [TOP](#)

Specific information pertaining to requirements (i.e. supervision, collaborative agreements) of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors can be located by accessing the Pennsylvania Code on the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania