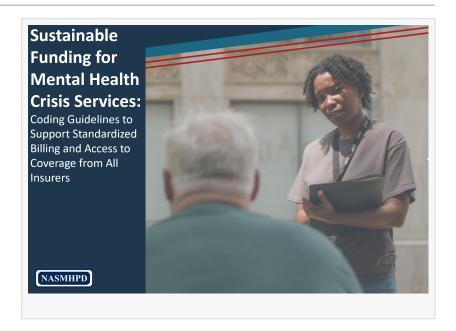


Sustainable Funding for Mental Health Crisis Services

PHOENIX, AZ, UNITED STATES, January 27, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- NASMHPD publishes "Sustainable Funding for Mental Health Services" that was produced by RI International in partnership with Dr. Henry Harbin, Dr. Brian Hepburn, Brenda Jackson, and Melissa Rowan.

Crisis services, when available, are reimbursed through a patchwork of dedicated local (state and/or county) funds, federal grant allocations and Medicaid payment within forward-thinking states that have established



structures to reimburse for these essential services. To establish a full continuum of crisis services for all Americans, every person needs access to these essential services in a manner like their physical health counterparts. This paper identifies standardized existing healthcare codes that every insurer should reimburse; including commercial, Medicare, Medicaid, VA, FEHB and Tricare.

David Covington, CEO and President of RI International, states, "Our hope is to advance coding guidelines that will support standardized billing and access to core crisis coverage from all insurers."

Dr. Henry Harbin, Healthcare Consultant and former CEO of Magellen Health Services, said, "Crisis mental health services need to be reimbursed by all insurers including Medicare, Medicaid and Commercial.

See the full report at bit.ly/CrisisBillingCoding

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Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD) represents the \$41 billion public mental health

service delivery system serving 7.5 million people annually in all 50 states, 4 territories, and the District of Columbia. NASMHPD (pronounced "NASH-bid") is the only national association to represent state mental health commissioners/directors and their agencies, and serves as the lead for CrisisNow.com.

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