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**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**  
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**TO:** Justice Involved Correctional Facility Providers  
 Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services  
 Department of Juvenile Services  
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**RE:** Justice Involved Case Management

**NOTE:** **Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.**

This transmittal describes the eligibility criteria, enrollment procedures, billing procedures, and reimbursement rates for justice involved (JI) case management.

**Background**

Effective October 23, 2025, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023, §5121 requires Maryland Medicaid to reimburse the following Medicaid Reentry Program for Children and Young Adults services:

- (1) Screening and diagnostic services that meet Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment requirements within 30 days prior to release from a public institution or as soon as practicable post-release; and
- (2) JI case management services for 30 days pre-release and 30 days post-release.

Effective December 16, 2025, Maryland's §1115 Reentry Demonstration authorizes Maryland Medicaid to reimburse the following Medicaid Reentry SUD/SMI Program for Adults services within 90 days pre-release:

- (1) JI case management;
- (2) Medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorder, including counseling; and

- (3) A 30-day supply of all prescribed medications upon release, or a lesser amount as recommended by a prescriber.

### **Eligibility Criteria for the Medicaid Reentry Program for Children and Young Adults**

“Eligible youth” may receive services under the Medicaid Reentry Program for Children and Young Adults if they are:

- (1) Medicaid enrolled;
- (2) Post-adjudication, meaning that the court ordered them into custody as part of the disposition of their charges; and
- (3) Meet the following age criteria:
  - (a) Are under 21 years old; or
  - (b) Are between 18 and 26 years old and are eligible for Medicaid’s coverage group for former foster children.

Eligible youth meet the definition outlined in 1902(nn)(2) of the Social Security Act and are sometimes referred to as "eligible juveniles" by the federal government.

JI case management services may be provided to eligible youth who are residing in:

- (1) A correctional facility run by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS);
- (2) A staff or hardware secure facility administered by the Department of Juvenile Services; or
- (3) A locally operated correctional facility (local jail).

### **Eligibility Criteria for the Medicaid Reentry SUD/SMI Program for Adults**

Incarcerated individuals may be eligible for services under the Medicaid Reentry SUD/SMI Program for Adults if they are:

- (1) Medicaid enrolled;
- (2) 18 years or older;
- (3) Received a sentence of incarceration;
- (4) Reside in a DPSCS facility that has been approved for readiness by MDH; and
- (5) Have been diagnosed with:
  - (a) A serious mental illness (SMI);
  - (b) A substance use disorder (SUD); or
  - (c) Both.

### **Provider Enrollment and Conditions of Participation**

All correctional entities must enroll in Maryland Medicaid’s provider enrollment system, currently ePREP, as the newly created Justice Involved Correctional Facility provider type (PT-GJ), in order to bill for JI case management services. Correctional entities include correctional facilities or agencies, but not individual care coordinators. Correctional entities may hire or contract with care coordinators to provide JI case management, however those care coordinators may not enroll as JI Correctional Facility providers.

As part of the enrollment application, correctional entities must upload a completed Justice Involved Provider Addendum. If the Justice Involved Provider Addendum is not uploaded with the application, there may be delays in the application approval process.

Visit Maryland Medicaid’s [Provider Enrollment website](#) for more information about provider enrollment and to review a copy of the Justice Involved Provider Addendum.

**Reimbursement for JI Case Management**

Only correctional entities enrolled as JI Correctional Facility providers may bill Maryland Medicaid for JI case management services. All correctional entities will use the same billing methodology for JI case management services, as detailed in Table 1.

Ji Correctional Facility providers may receive reimbursement for JI case management services delivered after:

- (1) October 23, 2025, for services rendered under the Medicaid Reentry Program for Children and Young Adults; and
- (2) December 16, 2025, for services rendered under the Medicaid Reentry SUD/SMI Program for Adults.

Maryland Medicaid will reimburse for JI case management services on a Fee for Service basis at a rate of \$561.05 per 30-day period per individual. To bill for these services, care coordinators must meet with the participating individual at least three times within that 30-day period. JI Correctional Facility providers will be reimbursed according to the methodology detailed in Table 1.

**Table 1. JI Case Management Methodology for Reimbursement**

<b>Timing of service</b>	<b>Billing Code</b>	<b>Payment (per unit)</b>	<b>Place of Service Code and Description</b>	<b>Date of Service</b>	<b>Modifiers</b>
<b>Pre-release</b>	T2023	\$561.05	09 - Prison or Correctional Facility	Date of 3 <sup>rd</sup> contact with individual	<b>GT</b> - for audio-visual telehealth <b>UB</b> - for audio-only telehealth
<b>Post-release*</b>	T2023	\$561.05	Enter the appropriate place of service code found <a href="#">here</a> , based on where the individual was when they received the service.	Date of 3 <sup>rd</sup> contact with individual	<b>GT</b> - for audio-visual telehealth <b>UB</b> - for audio-only telehealth

\*Only JI Correctional Facility providers providing services to eligible youth who have been released from a staff or hardware secure facility administered by the Department of Juvenile Services may bill for post-release case management services under the Medicaid Reentry Program for Children and Young Adults.

MCOs and the Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization (BHASO), in accordance with contractual obligations and state regulations, as defined in COMAR 10.67.03, will provide post-release case management to recently released incarcerated individuals.

JI Correctional Facility providers must ensure that participants are Medicaid enrolled and eligible to receive services on all dates of service. JI Correctional Facilities must provide Medicaid enrollment support when needed and document eligibility checks to ensure records are available upon request by Maryland Medicaid.

### **Duties of the JI Correctional Facility Providers**

JI Correctional Facility providers must ensure that participants consent to receive services and are allowed to refuse services. JI Correctional Facility providers must document consent and refusal of services and provide these records to Maryland Medicaid upon request. JI case management services must not delay a participant's release into the community.

The JI Correctional Facility provider will coordinate with designated subcontractors, community case managers, BHASO case managers, and MCO Special Needs Coordinators as necessary. To ensure a smooth transition back into the community, the JI Correctional Facility provider will facilitate a warm handoff, such as a meeting between participant and pre- and post-release case managers. This warm handoff can either be in person or virtually.

To qualify for reimbursement, the JI Correctional Facility provider's care coordinator must meet with the participant at least three times within a 30-day period. The three contacts may be conducted by different members of the care coordinator team and can be done virtually or in-person. The three contacts must address all the components below to be eligible for reimbursement:

- (1) A comprehensive assessment and reassessment of individual needs to determine the need for any medical, educational, social, or other services;
- (2) Development and periodic revision of a specific person-centered care plan based on the information collected through the assessment;
- (3) Referral and related activities (such as scheduling appointments for the individual) to help the eligible individual obtain needed services, including activities that help link the individual with medical, social, and educational providers or other programs and services that are capable of providing needed services to address identified needs and achieve goals specified in the person-centered care plan;
- (4) Monitoring and follow-up activities, including activities and contacts that are necessary to ensure that the person-centered care plan is effectively implemented and adequately addresses the needs of the eligible individual and which may be with the individual, family members, service providers, or other entities or individuals and conducted as frequently as necessary and including at least one annual monitoring; and
- (5) Records documenting the completion of the minimum level of service delivery for each reimbursement claim submitted be available upon request by Maryland Medicaid.

For more information about Maryland Medicaid's reentry support programs, please visit the [Justice-Involved Correctional Facility Providers website](#).

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