



Rate Reform FAQs about Specialized Therapeutic Services

Q1. What are the changes to service codes for Specialized Therapeutic Services?

A1. Providers currently under service code 115 will now use service code 117, which will encompass Specialized Therapeutic Services for individuals, ages 3 and up. Service code 115 will no longer be used. Specialized Therapeutic Services for children under the age of three will continue to use service code 116. Both 116 and 117 providers have subcodes and rates associated with their discipline and credentials.

Q2. Will current providers of Specialized Health, Treatment and Training Services (service code 103) be able to provide services under this classification?

A2. Service Code 103 can only be used if granted department approved exemption. Service providers will need to work with their regional center to best align their services with the appropriate service code.

Q3. Can Behavioral Services be vendored under Specialized Therapeutic Services?

A3. Behavioral services will transition to the appropriate 600 service codes. For example, a Board-Certified Behavior Analyst will be vendored under Behavior Analyst, service code 612.

Q4. Can the Usual and Customary rate continue to be used for a Specialized Therapeutic Service?

A4. Yes, the vendoring regional center will work with the provider to determine whether these qualifications are met and it is appropriate.