

# Legislative Analysis



## MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR ALCOHOL USE DISORDER TREATMENT

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**House Bill 5408 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Abdullah Hammoud**  
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### SUMMARY:

House Bill 5408 would amend the Social Welfare Act to require the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to establish a fee-for-service payment for services related to a primary diagnosis of alcohol use disorder as specified in the most recent Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders published by the American Psychiatric Association. Services treating the disorder could be provided by a physician, including an *advanced practice provider*, or by a *nonphysician practitioner*.

*Advanced practice provider* would mean a health care provider with prescriptive authority under the Public Health Code.

*Nonphysician practitioner* would mean an individual licensed or certified in Michigan to provide nonphysician behavioral health services, including behavioral health services identified in DHHS's behavioral health fee schedule.

When a Medicaid beneficiary had a primary diagnosis of alcohol use disorder, those providers would qualify for fee-for-service reimbursement for services, including evaluation and management services and consultation services.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact of this bill on the state and local units of government, at this time, is indeterminate. The state Medicaid program does presently include a fee schedule for a number of alcohol use disorder services either through the medical services portion of the state Medicaid program or through the specialty prepaid inpatient health plans (PIHPs), which are local units of government. Any changes on total costs or savings would be partially reimbursed with federal funds. The Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) for FY 2020-21 is 64.08%, which then requires the state to identify the remaining 35.92% of and total costs or savings.

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