

Medicaid Mental Health Services – Adult (18+)

These guidelines apply to service authorization under the Vaya Health (Vaya) Behavioral Health and Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities Tailored Plan and the Vaya NC Medicaid Direct Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan. Services must be in the provider's contract with Vaya. Acronyms are defined below. For services that do not require authorization, a concurrent request must be submitted if the maximum service limit as defined in the NC Medicaid clinical coverage policy is exhausted. Benefit limits may be exceeded for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) requests. Clinical coverage policies are available on the [NC Medicaid website](#).

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Service	Service Code	Guidelines
Clinical Assessment/In-Home Psychiatric Diagnostic Evaluation (CCP 8C)	90791	Prior authorization not required
Enhanced Psychiatric Evaluation (CCP 8C)	90791 YB	Prior authorization not required
Psychiatric Assessment (CCP 8C)	90792	Prior authorization not required
Neurobehavioral Testing (CCP 8C)	96116 96121	Prior authorization not required
Neuropsychological Testing (CCP 8C)	96132 96133	Prior authorization not required
Psychological Testing (CCP 8C)	96110 96112 96113 96130 96131 96136 96137	Prior authorization not required
Psych/Neuro Testing – Tech/Automated (CCP 8C)	96138 96139 96146	Prior authorization not required
Individual Outpatient Therapy (CCP 8C)	90832 90834	Prior authorization not required

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	90837	
Individual Therapy Add-On to E/M (CCP 8C)	90833 90836 90838	Prior authorization not required
Outpatient Family Therapy (CCP 8C)	90846 90847	Prior authorization not required
Outpatient Group Therapy/Counseling (CCP 8C)	90849 90853	- Prior authorization not required 90849 may not be billed at the same time as 90785
Psychotherapy for Crisis (CCP 8C)	90839 90840	Prior authorization not required
Home-Based Therapy (CCP 8C)	90837	Prior authorization not required
Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Program (CCP 8A-1)	H0040	Prior authorization not required
Community Support Team (CST) (CCP 8A-6)	H2015 HT	Prior authorization not required
Partial Hospitalization (CCP 8A)	H0035 (Day Program) H0035 HK (Enhanced)	Prior authorization not required
Psychosocial Rehabilitation (PSR) (CCP 8A)	H2017	Prior authorization not required
Tobacco Cessation	99406 (Intermediate Visit) 99407 (Intensive Visit)	Prior authorization not required
Equine Therapy	90834 YE 90837 YE 90853 YE	Prior authorization not required
Peer Support (CCP 8G)	H0038 (Individual) H0038 HQ (Group)	Prior authorization not required

ACRONYM	DEFINITION
CCP	(NC Medicaid) Clinical Coverage Policy
MH	Mental Health