

Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Services
Individual Counseling Codes

DMC-ODS Individual Counseling Codes

CPT / HCPCS CODE	CODE SERVICE DESCRIPTION	CODE GUIDANCE AND USAGE	ALLOWABLE DISCIPLINES	DOCUMENTATION TIPS
H0004	Behavioral health counseling and therapy, per 15 minutes	Time spent providing individual counseling and therapy. One-on-one session does not involve family or friends of the individual during the therapy provided.	LP, PA, Psy, LCSW, MFT, RN, NP, LPCC, AOD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time documentation for the use of this code is <u>each 15 minutes</u>. Specific documentation of time must be included Individual counseling can include contact with family members or other collaterals if the purpose of the collateral's participation is to focus on the treatment needs of the beneficiary by supporting the achievement of the beneficiary's treatment goals Document assessment of readiness for change as well as barriers to change
99408	Alcohol and/or substance (other than tobacco) abuse structured screening (e.g., AUDIT, DAST), and brief intervention (SBI) services; 15 to 30 minutes	Billing for 99408 is limited to once per day	LP, PA, NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provider spends <u>15-30 minutes</u> screening a patient for abuse of alcohol or another non-tobacco substance Provider performs a brief intervention at the same session Should be utilized for screening and intervention <u>lasting no more than 30 minutes</u>
99409	Alcohol and/or substance (other than tobacco) abuse structured screening (e.g., AUDIT, DAST), and brief intervention (SBI) services; greater than 30 minutes	Billing for 99409 is limited to once per day	LP, PA, NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should be utilized for screening and intervention lasting <u>more than 30 minutes</u>
T1006	Alcohol and/or substance abuse services;	Time spent providing family/couple counseling	LP, Psy, PA, LCSW, MFT,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time documentation for the use of this code is <u>each 15 minutes</u>. Specific documentation of time must be included.

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	family/couple counseling		RN, NP, LPCC, AOD	
H0050	Alcohol and/or drug services, brief intervention, per 15 minutes	Time spent providing individual SBI (screening and brief intervention) for alcohol and drug use problems	LP, Psy, PA, LCSW, MFT, RN, NP, LPCC, AOD, Peers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time documentation for the use of this code is <u>each 15 minutes</u>. Specific documentation of time must be included. • Document brief intervention(s) performed in relation to alcohol and/or drug use, such as education, consequences of use and behavior changes