

6.31. Low Intensity Residential (ASAM Level 3.1)

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

Beacon utilizes ASAM criteria to determine medical necessity for all substance use disorder (SUD) related service requests. The description of services provided by Low Intensity Residential (ASAM Level 3.1) and its applicable criteria can be accessed here:

<http://maryland.valueoptions.com/provider/manual/Appendix-C-ASAM-Criteria.pdf>.

SERVICE RULES

Before grant funds can be paid to the provider for Halfway House services, the provider must submit federally mandated reporting questions through the Beacon ProviderConnect system.

PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY

Halfway Houses (Low Intensity, Level 3.1 Residential services) are only reimbursable through the state of Maryland's Grant Funds; administered by the Local Addictions Authorities (LAAs). Halfway Houses are not reimbursable through federally or state funded Medicaid or Dual Eligibility (Medicaid and Medicare).

PROVIDER ELIGIBILITY

Halfway Houses are defined in the Health-General Article, §8-101, of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

AUTHORIZATION PROCESS

Beacon uses the ASAM criteria to determine medical necessity. Prior to services being provided to the participant, the provider is responsible for submitting federally mandated reporting data to Beacon through ProviderConnect.

CLAIMS PROCESS

Providers should seek the direction and assistance of their LAAs who may be able to pay for services, depending on the availability of funds.