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#### **PURPOSE:**

The intent of this clinical policy is to ensure care is medically necessary.

Please refer to the member's benefit document for specific information. To the extent there is any inconsistency between this policy and the terms of the member's benefit plan or certificate of coverage, the terms of the member's benefit plan document will govern.

#### **POLICY:**

Benefits must be available for health care services. Health care services must be ordered by a provider. Health care services must be medically necessary, applicable conservative treatments must have been tried, and the most cost-effective alternative must be requested for coverage consideration.

#### **GUIDELINES:**

Medical Necessity indications are established using the most recent version of the Milliman Care Guidelines (MCG). Copy available upon request.

- Adults
  - o B-031-IP Withdrawal Management, Adult: Inpatient Care
  - o B-031-RES Withdrawal Management, Adult: Residential Care
- Children and Adolescents
  - B-907-IP Substance-Related Disorders, Inpatient Behavioral Health Level of Care, Child or Adolescent
  - B-907-RES Substance-Related Disorders, Residential Behavioral Health Level of Care, Child or Adolescent

# **EXCLUSIONS** (not limited to):

Refer to member's Certificate of Coverage or Summary Plan Description

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

### Complicated withdrawal syndrome:

Substance withdrawal delirium or substance withdrawal seizure; or medical complications (e.g., acute myocardial infarction, acute kidney injury) or obstetric complications (e.g., preterm labor, preterm birth) caused by the physiological demands associated with withdrawal.

#### DSM:

The most current edition of the American Psychiatric Association Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Health Disorders.

## Imminent danger:

- 1. There is a strong probability that certain behaviors will occur; and
- 2. The likelihood that such behaviors will present a significant risk of serious adverse consequences to the individual and/or others; and
- 3. The likelihood that such adverse events will occur in the very near future, within hours and days, rather than weeks or months



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## Substance-Related Disorders:

Disorders associated with excessive use of or exposure to psychoactive substances, including drugs of abuse, medications, and toxins, that fall into two groups: Substance Use Disorders (Substance Dependence and Substance Abuse) and Substance-Induced Disorders (Substance Intoxication, Substance Withdrawal, Substance-Induced Delirium, Substance-Induced Persisting Dementia, Substance-Induced Persisting Amnesic Disorder, Substance-Induced Psychotic Disorder, Substance-Induced Mood Disorder, Substance-Induced Anxiety Disorder, Substance-Induced Sexual Dysfunction, and Substance-Induced Sleep Disorder).

## Symptom-triggered:

Medications delivered on contingent basis per scores obtained via a validated rating scale.

## Validated rating scales and references:

CIWA-Ar Br J Addict 1989;84:1353 (PMID = 2597811)

MINDS Pharmacotherapy 2007;27:510-8 (PMID = 17381377)
COWS J Psychoactive Drugs 2003;35:253 (PMID = 12924748)

In general, a score of > 7 on all of these scales is consistent with moderate withdrawal

#### BACKGROUND:

Inpatient withdrawal management is necessary when substance use prohibits implementation of a treatment plan as an outpatient, such as, but not limited to, close 24-hour medical observation is required due to the presence or risk of a medical instability, or there is a need for medical and nursing care for physical signs of withdrawal. The treatment usually progresses in stages from more intensive treatment to extended participation in community support.



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customerservice@preferredone.com

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