

TRICARE® Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services

An Overview of TRICARE Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services and Resources

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Today's Agenda

- Mental Health Overview
- Covered Services
- Getting Care
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Mental Health Overview

What Is Mental Health?

“A state of well-being in which a person realizes his or her own abilities, can cope with the normal stresses of life, can work productively and fruitfully, and is able to make a contribution to his or her community.”

– World Health Organization

What Are Mental Health Disorders?

“Health conditions that are characterized by alterations in thinking, mood, or behavior (or some combination of those) associated with distress and/or impaired functioning.”

– U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Covered Services

Covered Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services

- TRICARE covers mental health and substance use disorder services that are medically or psychologically necessary.
 - TRICARE covers both:
 - Outpatient services (including via telemedicine)
 - Inpatient services (emergency and nonemergency)
- How you get care may depend on your beneficiary category and your health plan.
- Check with your regional contractor to see if you need a referral and/or pre-authorization.
- **Note:** Not all services are available in all service areas.

Covered Outpatient Services

- Psychotherapy
 - Individual, family, and group
- Psychological Testing and Assessment
- Medication Assisted Treatment
 - Opioid Treatment Program
 - Office-Based Opioid Treatment
- Intensive Outpatient Program
 - SUD or Psychiatric (Mental Health) Disorder
- Partial Hospitalization Program
 - SUD or Psychiatric (Mental Health) Disorder
- Medication Management

Covered Inpatient Services

- Acute Inpatient Psychiatric Care
- Psychiatric Residential Treatment Center Care for Children and Adolescents
- Inpatient and Residential Substance Use Disorder Rehabilitation Facility Care
 - Inpatient Management of Withdrawal Symptoms (Detoxification)
 - Residential Substance Use Disorder Rehabilitation

Getting Care

Active Duty Service Members

- Outpatient Care
 - Visit a military hospital or clinic. Find the nearest one at www.tricare.mil/mtf.
- Emergency Care
 - Call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room.
 - No referrals or pre-authorizations are required.
 - Obtain a continued-stay authorization if admitted.
- Nonemergency Inpatient Care
 - Get pre-authorization.

All Other Beneficiaries (1 of 2)

- Outpatient Care
 - In most situations, referral and pre-authorization aren't required for outpatient mental health or SUD visits for TRICARE Prime beneficiaries.
 - Some outpatient services require a referral.
 - Psychoanalysis always requires pre-authorization.
 - Referral is always required to see pastoral counselors and may be required to see certain mental health counselors.

All Other Beneficiaries (2 of 2)

- Emergency Care
 - Call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room.
 - No referrals or pre-authorizations are required.
 - Notify your primary care manager, regional contractor, or TRICARE Overseas Program Regional Call Center if admitted.
- Nonemergency Inpatient Care
 - Get pre-authorization.
- RTC and Residential SUDRF Care
 - Get pre-authorization.

For Information and Assistance

Finding a Provider

- TRICARE contractors have established provider networks in each region, including mental health providers.
- Go to your regional contractor's network provider directory to find a TRICARE-authorized mental health network provider in your area:
www.tricare.mil/GettingCare/FindDoctor/AllProviderDirectories

Telemedicine Services

- To find a provider who offers telemedicine services, use TRICARE's Find a Doctor tool at www.tricare.mil/finddoctor, or reach out to your TRICARE contractor.
- East Region: Humana Military
 - Call: 800-444-5445
- West Region: TriWest Healthcare Alliance
 - Call: 888-TRIWEST (888-874-9378)
- Overseas Region: International SOS Government Services, Inc.
 - Call: Find country-specific numbers at www.tricare-overseas.com/contact-us.
- For more information about telemedicine services, visit www.tricare.mil/coveredservices.

Mental Health and SUD Resources

- Military Health System Nurse Advice Line
 - Call 800-874-2273, option 1.
 - Visit www.mhsnurseadvice.com.
- Military OneSource
 - Call 800-342-9647.
 - Visit www.militaryonesource.mil.
- Veterans Crisis Line
 - Call 988, option 1.
 - Text 838255.
 - Visit www.veteranscrisisline.net.
- Visit www.tricare.mil/mentalhealth for more resources.



More Information

Regional Contractors

- TRICARE East Region
Humana Military
800-444-5445
www.tricare.mil/east
- TRICARE West Region
TriWest Healthcare Alliance
888-TRIWEST (888-874-9378)
www.tricare.mil/west
- TRICARE Overseas Program
International SOS Government Services, Inc.
Find toll-free contact information at
www.tricare-overseas.com/contact-us.

Resources

- TRICARE Website: www.tricare.mil



- TRICARE Publications:
www.tricare.mil/publications
- milConnect:
<https://milconnect.dmdc.osd.mil/>