

HB 2013 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure adds licensed outpatient facilities that employ certified alcohol and drug counselors as providers for purposes of commercial insurance coverage of mental health services.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Current insurance reimbursement landscape for certified alcohol and drug counselors (CADCs)

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Clarifies that facilities must have a certified substance use disorder program.

FISCAL: Has minimal fiscal impact

REVENUE: No revenue impact

BACKGROUND:

Certified drug and alcohol counselors (CADCs) provide addiction counseling services including case management, referral, treatment planning, and individual and group counseling. There are three levels of CADC certification: CADC I representing associate level proficiency, CADC II representing baccalaureate level proficiency, and CADC III representing graduate level proficiency. The Mental Health & Addiction Certification Board of Oregon (MHACBO) certifies CADCs and maintains a registry of CADCs in Oregon.

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