# Healthcare Provider Information





# Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board

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California Victim
Compensation Program

Providing Financial Assistance to Crime Victims Since 1965

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The California Victim Compensation

Program (VCP) can help pay bills and expenses that are the direct result of a violent crime. This pamphlet provides

physicians, mental health

service providers and dentists in obtaining compensation for providing their services to victims of violent crime.

CalVCP reimburses crimerelated expenses that are not paid by insurance companies or other sources. In addition, applications for reimbursement must meet eligibility requirements before payment can be made.

CalVCP cannot pay any expense for

a person who is on felony probation, on parole, in jail or in prison.





# **DENTAL SERVICES**

The California Victim Compensation Program (CalVCP) may pay for treatment of injuries caused by a crime, including but not limited to:

- Repair or replacement of broken or damaged teeth and dentures
- Temporomandibular (TMJ) disorders
- Diagnostic x-rays



- Prescriptions
- Cleaning (if necessary to provide crime-related dental procedures)

### **Benefit Limitations**

The maximum reimbursement per claim, including all available benefits, is \$70,000.

#### **Dental Bills**

Dentists should submit bills on an American Dental Association (ADA) dental claim form. Either the ADA-2000 or ADA-94 is acceptable. The form must contain the following information:

- Patient's name and address
- Date(s) of service
- Type(s) of service(s) provided (diagnosis and procedure)
- Billed amount
- Provider's license number, federal tax identification number (FEIN or SSN)\*, business address, telephone number, signature or signature stamp, and billing date

## **Reimbursement Rates**

- CalVCP pays 75 percent of the amount billed (subject to review of usual and customary rates).
- Pre-authorization for dental services is possible. Call 800.777.9229 for more information.

# **MEDICAL SERVICES**

CalVCP may pay for medically-related expenses that are caused by a crime, including but not limited to:

- Hospitalization, surgery, ambulance transportation and prescriptions
- Medically necessary items such as eyeglasses, hearing aids, dentures and prosthetic devices that are lost, stolen or broken during the crime or that become necessary due to the crime
- Chiropractic treatment for up to six months
- Certain alternative medical treatments (physician referral and session limits apply)

## **Benefit Limitations**

The maximum reimbursement per claim, including all available benefits, is \$70,000.

## **Reimbursement Rates**

Generally, medical expenses are paid at the Medicare rate plus 20 percent.

## **Medical Bills**

Medical bills must be submitted on a Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) 1500 or 1450 form and must contain:

- Patient's name and address
- Date(s) of service
- Type(s) of service(s) provided (diagnosis and procedure)
- Billed amount
- Provider's license number, federal tax identification number (FEIN or SSN)\*, business address, telephone number, signature or signature stamp, and billing date





## **MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

Any qualified mental health service provider can serve victims who are claimants with CalVCP. Once an eligible victim visits a qualified mental health provider for treatment and the provider submits a bill to CalVCP, the provider is listed in our system as a provider of services. To speed processing, please include verification of licensure and a completed IRS Form W-9 with the first bill submitted to CalVCP. For more information, sample of forms and answers to frequently asked questions, visit www.calvcp.ca.gov.

### **Benefit Limitations**

The dollar limit on payments for mental health treatment is \$10,000 for direct victims and \$5,000\*\* for derivative victims. Derivative victims are people who suffer a monetary loss because of the death or injury from a crime of a family members or household member. If a mental health provider believes a patient or client requires treatment beyond the \$10,000 or \$5,000\*\* limits, the provider must demonstrate that dire or exceptional circumstances exist. The maximum reimbursement per claim, including all available benefits, is \$70,000.

\*\* For applications filed before January 1, 2008, this limit is \$3,000



Mental Health bills must be submitted on CMS 1500 or 1450 forms and must contain:

- · Patient's name and address
- Application number
- Date(s) of service
- Type(s) of service(s) provided (diagnosis and AMA procedure codes)
- Units
- · Billed amount
- Provider's license number, federal tax identification number (FEIN or SSN)\*, business address, telephone number, signature or signature stamp, and billing date

## Reimbursement Rates

· Marriage and Family Therapist Intern

Associate Clinical Social Worker

· Psychiatrist	Individual Therapy Group Therapy Medication Management	\$130/hour \$52/hour \$130/hour
· Clinical Psychologist	Individual Therapy Group Therapy	\$110/hour \$44/hour
<ul> <li>Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)</li> <li>Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT)</li> <li>Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse</li> <li>Clinical Nurse Specialist</li> </ul>	Individual Therapy Group Therapy	\$90/hour \$36/hour
<ul> <li>Registered Psychologist</li> <li>Psychologist Assistant</li> <li>Supervised Psychology Intern         <ul> <li>(University Hospital or Medical School Clinic)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Supervised Postdoctoral Trainee         <ul> <li>(University Hospital or Medical School Clinic)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Individual Therapy Group Therapy	Paid at Supervisor's Rate

#### Session Limits and Required Documentation:

A Treatment Plan (TP) must be completed and kept on file by the end of the 5th session.

- Minor victims have an initial limit of 40 sessions
- Adult victims have an initial limit of 40 sessions
- Immediate family members of homicide victims are limited to 30 sessions
- Primary caretakers of a direct victim who was a minor at the time of the crime are limited to 30 sessions each (maximum 2 primary caretakers)
- Minor derivative victims are limited to 30 sessions
- Adult derivative victims are limited to 15 sessions.
- Minor Witnesses are limited to 30 sessions

If a mental health provider is of the opinion that the client requires treatment beyond the session limitations, the provider must complete an Additional Treatment Plan (ATP) and submit it to CalVCP along with the original Treatment Plan. The TP and ATP forms are available upon request or on CalVCP's website at www.calvcp.ca.gov.