

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR INSURANCE COMPANY REGARDING COVERAGE:

- 1) Do I have mental health benefits in my plan?
- 2) Do I have a deductible? If so, how much is it?
 - a. Is it combined with my medical deductible in order to meet it?
 - b. How much of it have I met so far?
- 3) What is the percentage that my insurance pays?
 - a. For in-network providers:
 - b. For out-of-network providers:
 - i. Must my out-of-network provider register with you or be contracted with you in order for me to receive out-of-network benefits?
- 4) What is the percentage (or amount) that is my copay for psychotherapy sessions?
- 5) Is there a cap on the number of office visits that are allowed per calendar year?
- 6) Will my policy reimburse claims submitted under the “90834” CPT code? (Refers to a 45-minute individual psychotherapy session with face-to-face time lasting 38-52 minutes)
- 7) Will my policy reimburse claims submitted under the “90837” CPT code? (Refers to a 60-minute individual psychotherapy session with face-to-face time lasting 53 minutes or longer). Is pre-authorization required to use this code? If yes, what is the procedure for pre-authorization?
- 8) Will my policy reimburse claims submitted under the “90847” CPT code? (Refers to a 50-minute couple or family session)
- 9) Does my policy cover group therapy for mental health issues?
- 10) Do I need to be pre-certified or pre-authorized (per a phone call before being seen by a counselor)?

If so, how many visits are allowed before I have to call again?
- 11) What is the effective date of my policy?
- 12) What is the specifier for “telehealth” sessions?
- 13) Where do I, as the patient, find the correct form to file an out-of-network claim?