# Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) Reimbursement for Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)

## Reimbursement for SBIRT (ASAM Level 0.5)

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## What is SBIRT?

- **Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)** is an evidence/community-based practice designed to identify, reduce, and prevent problematic substance use disorders.
- **Screening** — a healthcare professional assesses a patient for risky substance use behaviors using standardized screening tools. Screening can occur in any healthcare setting.
- **Brief Intervention** — a healthcare professional engages a patient showing risky substance use behaviors in a short conversation, providing feedback and advice.
- **Referral to Treatment** — a healthcare professional provides a referral to brief therapy or additional treatment to patients who screen in need of additional services.

## Medicaid Payer-Specific Staff Requirements:

- Physicians, pharmacists, and other licensed credentialed addiction treatment professionals shall administer the evidence-based screening tool.
- The physician may also delegate providing the counseling and intervention to these individuals as well but should be available for review as needed.
- Licensed providers may complete the screening or delegate administration of the evidence-based screening tool to other clinical staff as allowed by their scope of practice.
- However, the licensed provider shall review the tool with the individual and provide the counseling and intervention.

## SBIRT Evidenced Based Tools

- *This is not an all inclusive list*
  - Drug Abuse Screening Test (DAST)
  - Clinical Opiate Withdrawal Scale (COWS)
  - Subjective Opiate Withdrawal Scale (SOWS)
  - CAGE-AID

## SBIRT Training Resources

- [https://www.naadac.org/webinars](https://www.naadac.org/webinars)