



MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER BENEFIT INFORMATION

CALIFORNIA VICTIM COMPENSATION BOARD

Established in 1965, the California Victim Compensation Board (CalVCB) is a state program dedicated to providing reimbursement for many crime-related expenses to eligible victims who suffer physical injury or the threat of physical injury as a direct result of a violent crime.

This pamphlet provides information to assist qualified mental health providers in obtaining compensation for services to crime victims.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR VICTIM COMPENSATION?

Applications for compensation must meet CalVCB eligibility requirements before payments can be made. CalVCB can help victims of qualifying crimes such as:

- Assault
- Child Abuse
- Domestic Violence
- Drunk Driving
- Elder Abuse
- Hate Crimes
- Homicide
- Human Trafficking
- Online Harassment
- Robbery
- Sexual Assault
- Stalking
- Vehicular Manslaughter

A minor witness who suffers emotional injuries may qualify for mental health counseling benefits.

CalVCB cannot pay for expenses incurred while a person is on parole, probation or post-release community supervision for a violent felony, incarcerated or required by law to register as a sex offender.

For more information, visit our Who's Eligible page at: victims.ca.gov/victims/eligibility.aspx

WHERE CAN A VICTIM GO FOR HELP?

Victim Witness Assistance Center advocates throughout the state work with CalVCB to assist victims in applying for compensation. Visit our Local Help page at: victims.ca.gov/victims/localhelp.aspx

CALVCB BOARD MEMBERS

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Please call the California Relay Service at 711.



REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

A Treatment Plan (TP) must be completed and kept on file by the end of the 3rd session. The TP must be maintained in the provider's client file and submitted to CalVCB upon request. If a mental health provider is of the opinion that the client requires treatment beyond the initial session limitations, the provider must complete an Additional Treatment Plan and submit it to CalVCB along with the original TP.

For more information or to view a sample of forms and frequently asked questions, visit our Provider page at: victims.ca.gov/providers/



PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT INFORMATION

- CalVCB can help pay bills and expenses that directly relate to a qualifying crime.
- Any qualified mental health provider can serve victims who are claimants with CalVCB.
- As the payor of last resort, CalVCB reimburses crime-related expenses that are not fully paid by insurance companies or other sources. To accomplish this, CalVCB corresponds with providers, as needed, to verify benefits and coordinate payments.
- When a provider submits a bill to CalVCB, they are listed in CalVCB's system as a provider of services.
- When submitting the first bill to CalVCB, include verification of licensure and a completed IRS Form W-9.
- If the victim has already paid the bill prior to filing an application with CalVCB, the victim will be reimbursed directly.

QUALIFIED MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS	TYPE OF SESSION	RATE
Psychiatrist	Individual Therapy	\$117/hour
	Medication Management	\$117/hour
	Group Therapy	\$46.80/hour
	Case Management	\$75/hour
Psychologist	Individual Therapy	\$99/hour
	Group Therapy	\$39.60/hour
	Case Management	\$75/hour
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) • Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) • Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC) • Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse • Clinical Nurse Specialist 	Individual Therapy	\$81/hour
	Group Therapy	\$32.40/hour
	Case Management	\$75/hour
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Psychologist Assistant • Associate Marriage and Family Therapist • Associate Professional Clinical Counselor • Associate Clinical Social Worker • Supervised Psychology Intern (University Hospital or Medical School Clinic) • Supervised Postdoctoral Trainee (University Hospital or Medical School Clinic) 	Individual Therapy	\$75/hour
	Group Therapy	\$30/hour
	Case Management	\$75/hour

SESSION AND BENEFIT LIMITATIONS

The dollar limit on payments for mental health treatment is \$10,000 for direct victims and \$5,000 for derivative victims.* The maximum reimbursement per application, including all available benefits, is \$70,000.

INITIAL SESSION LIMITS	WHO MAY RECEIVE THE BENEFIT	BENEFIT LIMITS
40 SESSION HOURS	Direct victim (minor and adult)	\$10,000
	Immediate family members of homicide victims	\$10,000
30 SESSION HOURS	Minor witness to a violent crime	\$5,000
	Derivative victim* who was a minor at the time of the crime	\$5,000
	Primary caretakers of a direct victim who was a minor at the time of the crime	\$10,000
	Good Samaritan	\$10,000
15 SESSION HOURS	Adult derivative victim*	\$5,000
	Post-crime caretaker	\$5,000
5 SESSION HOURS CASE MANAGEMENT	Direct victim (minor and adult)	\$375

*A derivative victim is a person, who at the time of the crime is a grandparent, grandchild, parent, sibling, spouse, registered domestic partner or child of the victim. A derivative victim also includes a person living with the victim, fiancé or family member who witnessed the crime.