Certain services provided by Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors I (LADC I's) are eligible for third party insurance reimbursement under Massachusetts law. Check with individual insurance companies about the process for becoming credentialed within their network.

In 2015, <u>Chapter 258 of the Massachusetts General Laws</u> made it possible for LADC I's to seek reimbursement from third party insurers. This <u>document</u> (with links to official versions) provides the language of Chapter 258 and Bulletin 2015-05. The Bulletin was put out jointly by the Division of Insurance and Department of Public Health to provide information to the public and insurers about reimbursement and access to services to treat substance use disorder.

LADC I's (as defined in Part I, Title XIV, Chapter 111J - Section 1 - Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors) have been added to the definition of Licensed Mental Health Professionals in other sections of the Massachusetts General Laws:

- Part I, Title IV, Chapter 32A (Contributory Group or Blanket Insurance for Persons in Service of the Commonwealth) Section 22 (diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders, GIC coverage)
- Part I, Title XXII, Chapter 175 (Insurance) Section 47B (mental health benefits)
- Part I, Title XXII, Chapter 176A (Non-profit hospitals) Section 8A (mental illness expenses and benefits)
- Part I, Title XXII, Chapter 176B (Medical Service Corporations) Section 4A (mental illness expenses, benefits and disorders)
- Part I, Title XXII, Chapter 176G (Health Maintenance Organizations) Section 4M (mental illness expenses, benefits and disorders)