



## What's New in LADDS?



### Breath Analysis

- **New LADDS Service Code: 23.**
- **Length of Service: 5 minutes**

## Breath Analysis Service Code

Statewide, Urine Drug Screens are consistently, routinely reported on the LADDS service ticket. This is not the case with Breath Analysis service reporting. Until now, Breath Analysis had no a service code.

Consequently, some OAD Regions or Districts have reported Breath Analysis services in LADDS and some have not. This inconsistency can, in some instances, affect OAD's data reporting.

So, effective immediately, OAD shall collect Breath Analysis services statewide in LADDS, using the newly assigned code number 23. The length of time for a Breath Analysis should always be recorded as

five (5) minutes. Additional time spent in counseling related to Breath Analysis results should be included in individual or group counseling service time. There is no reimbursement for Breath Analysis services.

## New LADDS Statewide Review Group Being Formed

OAD is beginning the process of updating the LADDS Manual by restarting the LADDS Manual Committee. It is critical that the manual be updated as LADDS has undergone several modifications with no update in the current man-

ual. LADDS also needs to be updated to reflect current needs and this committee will make recommendations on how to improve LADDS. OAD Region and District Directors have been asked to email the recommendations of their LADDS

“expert” regardless of job title. OAD will try to keep travel to a minimum during this project. Involvement of those who have a stake in the LADDS system is indispensable and of great value.



**LADDS MANUAL TO BE REVIEWED AND UPDATED**