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Behavioral Health Alternate Payment Methodology in FQHCs and RHCs

Effective for dates of service on April 1, 2019, Medicaid will establish an alternative payment methodology (APM) for behavioral health services provided in Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and Rural Health Clinics (RHC). This APM applies to services provided by physicians with a psychiatric specialty, nurse practitioners or clinical nurse specialists with a psychiatric specialty, licensed clinical social workers, or clinical psychologists.

Implementation of this APM allows reimbursement for behavioral health services equal to the all-inclusive prospective payment system rate on file for the date of service. This reimbursement will be in addition to any all-inclusive prospective payment system (PPS) rate on the same date for a medical and dental services.

HCPCS Code H2020 will be used for reimbursement of the behavioral health APM rate to FQHC and RHC providers. Providers must submit the HCPCS code H2020 on the first line of the claim submission and include detailed lines for all services rendered along with the usual or customary charges or zero.

RHC and FQHC providers may bill the T1015, D0999 and H2020 on the same day of service and obtain reimbursement for all three HCPCS codes at the clinic's PPS rate.

Provider manual and fee schedule updates will be completed no later than June 1, 2019.

Questions regarding managed care claims should be directed to the appropriate managed care organization.