

To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

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Subject: Informational Bulletin 21-21: Changes to Behavioral Health Services in Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and Rural Health Clinics (RHC)

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Changes to the coverage of behavioral health services in FQHCs and RHCs have been made for dates of service beginning **April 1, 2021**. These changes will ensure that all behavioral health service claims are submitted using the H2020 encounter code.

In addition, the changes allow the billing of evaluation and management (E/M)-only codes by certain provider type (PT) and provider specialty (PS) combinations. Please review [IB 21-21](#) for full details regarding provider types and respective billing scenarios.

Below are PT/PS combinations who **must render** a behavioral health specific service as listed in the [Specialized Behavioral Health Fee Schedule](#) in order to bill a behavioral health encounter H2020.

For the following PT/PS combinations:

Provider Type	Provider Specialty
31	6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, 6E, 6F
AK	8E
AH	8E
73	73

- T1015 or D0999 cannot be billed. Encounters will deny (provider not eligible).

- If an E/M service detail line (procedure codes between 90792 or 99202 through 99215) is submitted with an accepted H2020 and specialized behavioral health (SBH) procedure code line, the E/M service detail line ONLY will deny.
- If there are no accepted SBH service detail lines, the encounter will deny (no eligible service).
- If there is not an accepted all-inclusive code H2020, the encounter will deny (no eligible service).

Claims impacted by these billing guidelines will complete adjustments no later than November 10, 2021.

This information will be updated in the [AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Claims Filing Instructions](#) document no later than October 15, 2021.

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