



Violence Prevention Services Billing Guidance

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Background

In April of 2021, the Biden Administration informed state leaders that Medicaid agencies can cover evidence-based community violence intervention programs, like Hospital-Based Violence Interventions¹. In response, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) has issued the following guidance regarding reimbursement of violence prevention services provided to Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid program) members. In the future, HCPF may have the ability to expand reimbursement in this area, but currently, the following guidance is in place.

Provider Enrollment and Service Provider Credentials

An enrolled licensed medical provider or a provider working under the supervision of a Medical Doctor/Doctor of Osteopathy may provide violence prevention services. Enrolled providers affiliate with Provider Type 16 (Clinic) or Provider Type 25 (Non-Physician Group Practitioner) for reimbursement of violence prevention services. As industry needs dictate and federal authorization allows, additional provider types, such as community health workers, may be added in the future. Please see [Find Your Provider Type](#) to view all enrollment requirements and begin your [enrollment application](#). Support is also available [for our providers](#) by contacting the Provider Services Call Center at 1-833-468-0362 (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday).

Billing

Violence prevention services can be billed through *preventive medicine counseling and risk factor reduction intervention* codes. Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes 99401-99404 are intended to promote the prevention of injury or illness and promote healthy practices. 99401-99404 do not include E/M services but may be separately reported when provided on the same date by the same individual practicing in the same practice. The

¹According to [CMS](#) (2021), “Hospital-based Violence Intervention Programs (HVIPs) are programs that combine the efforts of medical staff with trusted community-based partners to provide a multidisciplinary approach to safety planning, services, and trauma-informed care to individuals who have experienced violence.”



differences in the range of codes pertain to time spent with the patient, not the service provided.

- 99401: 8-22 minutes
- 99402: 23-37 minutes
- 99403: 38-52 minutes
- 99404: 53 minutes and greater

Preventative medicine counseling and risk factor reduction intervention services may be provided in the following Places of Service:

- Pharmacy (01)
- Telehealth Provided Other than in Member's Home (02)
- Telehealth Provided in Member's Home (10)
- Office (11)
- Home (12)
- Assisted Living (13)
- Off-Campus Outpatient Hospital (19)
- Urgent Care Facility (20)
- Inpatient Hospital (21)
- On Campus - Outpatient Hospital (22)
- Emergency Room - Hospital (23)
- Ambulatory Surgical Center (24)
- Skilled Nursing Facility (31)
- Nursing Facility (32)
- Custodial Care Facility (33)
- Hospice (34)
- Inpatient Psychiatric Facility (51)
- Psychiatric Facility - Partial Hospitalization (52)
- Intermediate Care Facility (54)
- Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facility (55)
- Psychiatric Residential Treatment Center (56)
- Comprehensive Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (61)
- Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (62)
- End-Stage Renal Disease Treatment Facility (65)
- Independent Laboratory (81)
- Other Place of Service (99)

Services should be billed directly to Health First Colorado, unless the member is assigned to a managed care organization (MCO) such as Rocky Mountain Health Plans (RMHP) - PRIME or Denver Health Medicaid Choice. When a member is assigned to an MCO, the provider must have a contract with the MCO to bill them for services provided to their member. A member's eligibility may be verified using the [Provider Web Portal Quick Guide - Verifying](#)



Member Eligibility and Co-Pay.

Providers may also call the MCOs directly:

Denver Health Medicaid Choice: (303)-602-2116

Rocky Mountain Health Plans (RMHP) - PRIME: 1-(800)-421-6204

Additional Resources

HCPF's General Provider Billing Manual

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