

Wyoming

Medicaid Program: Wyoming Medicaid

Program Administrator: Office of Equality Care, under the Wyoming Dept. of Health

Regional Telehealth Resource Center: Northwest Regional Telehealth Resource Center

Covers the States of: Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming

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Medicaid Telehealth Reimbursement	Summary	Wyoming Medicaid reimburses for live video under some circumstances. There is no reference to store-and-forward or remote patient monitoring reimbursement.	
	Definitions	<p>“Telehealth is the use of an electronic media to link beneficiaries with health professionals in different locations. The examination of the client is performed via a real-time interactive audio and video telecommunications system. This means that the client must be able to see and interact with the off-site practitioner at the time services are provided via telehealth technology.”</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 106 (July. 1 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p>	
	Live Video	Policy	<p>Reimbursement is made for exams performed via a real-time interactive audio and video telecommunications system. The quality must be sufficient enough to assure the accuracy of the assessment, diagnosis, and visible evaluation of symptoms and potential medication side effects. A medical professional is not required to be present with the client at the originating site unless medically indicated. See manual for additional billing requirements.</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 108-110 (July. 1 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p>
		Eligible Services / Specialties	<p>See manual for list of eligible hub site billing codes.</p> <p>Quality assurance/improvement activities relative to telehealth delivered services need to be identified, documented and monitored. An evaluation process must also be instituted.</p> <p>Documentation must indicate the visit took place via telehealth and must clearly identify the location of the hub and spoke sites.</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 108-110 (July. 1 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p>



Eligible Providers

Wyoming Medicaid reimburses the following eligible providers:

- Physicians;
- Advanced practice nurses with a specialty of psychiatry/mental health;
- Physician's assistant;
- Psychologists and neuropsychologists;
- Licensed Mental health professionals (LCSW, LPC, LMFT, LAT);
- Board Certified Behavioral Analysts;
- Speech therapist.

Provisionally licensed mental health professionals cannot bill Medicaid directly, but must provide services through a supervising provider.

Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 108 (July. 1 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Eligible Sites

Eligible originating sites:

- Hospitals;
- Physician or practitioner offices (includes medical clinics);
- Psychologists or neuropsychologists offices;
- Community mental health or substance abuse treatment centers (CMHC/SATC);
- Advanced practice nurses with specialty of psychiatry/mental health offices;
- Office of a Licensed Mental Health Professional;
- Federally Qualified Health Centers;
- Rural Health Clinics;
- Skilled nursing facilities;
- Indian Health Services Clinics;
- Hospital-based or Critical Access Hospital-based renal dialysis centers (including satellites);
- Development Center;
- Family Planning Clinics;
- Public Health Offices;
- Client's Home.

A medical professional is not required to be present at the originating site, unless medically indicated.

Each site is able to bill their own services as long as they are an enrolled Medicaid provider (includes out-of-state Medicaid providers).

Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 107-108 (July. 1 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Geographic Limits

No reference found.



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Remote Patient Monitoring	Policy	No reference found.
	Transmission Fee	No reference found.
	Geographic Limits	No reference found.
	Eligible Services/Specialties	No reference found.
	Store-and-Forward	<p>Wyoming Medicaid states that reimbursement is made for exams performed via a real-time interactive audio and video.</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 108 (July. 1, 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p>
Live Video	<p>Facility/Transmission Fee</p> <p>Yes, for originating site fees. No reimbursement for transmission fees.</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 109 & 112 (Apr. 1, 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p>	



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Remote Patient Monitoring	Conditions	No reference found.
	Provider Limitations	No reference found.
	Other Restrictions	No reference found.
Email / Phone / Fax	<p>No reimbursement for email. No reimbursement for telephone. No reimbursement for FAX.</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 109 (July. 1, 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p>	
Consent	<p>If the patient and/or legal guardian indicates at any point that he/she wants to stop using the technology, the service should cease immediately and an alternative appointment set up.</p> <p>A telehealth consent form must be completed when the patient is at home.</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 110-111 (July. 1, 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p>	
Out of State Providers	<p>Out-of-state providers are allowed if they are enrolled as a Wyoming Medicaid provider.</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 107 (July. 1, 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p>	



Private Payer Laws	Miscellaneous	<p>A single pay to provider can bill both the originating site (spoke site) and the distant site provider (hub site) when applicable.</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 107 (July, 1, 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p> <p>No reimbursement for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The use or upgrade of technology; • Transmission charges; • Charges of an attendant who instructs a patient on the use of the equipment or supervises/monitors a patient during the telehealth encounter; or • Consults between health professionals. <p>The GT modifier must be billed by the distant site.</p> <p>Source: WY Dept. of Public Health Insurance, Medicaid, CMS 1500 ICD-10, p. 110 (July, 1, 2019). (Accessed Aug. 2019).</p>
	Definitions	No reference found.
	Requirements	No reference found.
	Parity	Service Parity
	Payment Parity	No reference found.



Definitions

Physicians and Surgeons

Telemedicine means the practice of medicine by electronic communication or other means from a physician in a location to a patient in another location, with or without an intervening health care provider.”

Source: WY Statutes Sec. 33-26-102.(a(xxix)) (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Occupational Therapy

“Occupational therapy telehealth means the provision of occupational therapy services across a distance, using telecommunications technology for the evaluation, intervention or consultation without requiring the occupational therapist and recipient to be physically located in the same place.”

Source: WY Statutes Sec. 33-40-102.(a(v)) (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Board of Chiropractic Examiners

“Telehealth” means the delivery of healthcare services using electronic communications, information technology, or other means between a licensee in one location and a patient in another location with or without an intervening healthcare provider.

Source: WY Admin Rules. Board of Chiropractic Examiners. Ch. 1, Sec. 3 (t). (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Consent

Written or oral consent required for physical therapy.

Source: WY Admin Rules. Board of Chiropractic Examiners. Ch. 1, Sec. 3 (t). (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Online Prescribing

Prescribing a controlled substance through the Internet, World Wide Web or any similar proprietary or common carrier electronic system without a documented physician-patient relationship is subject to review, discipline and consequences to license.

Source: WY Statutes Annotated Sec. 33-26-402(a(xxxiii)) (2012). (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Cross-State Licensing

Member of the interstate medical licensure compact.

Source: Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. The IMLC (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Member of the Nurse Licensure Compact

Source: Nurse Licensure Compact (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Miscellaneous

Boards have power to adopt telehealth/telemedicine definitions applicable to their regulated profession and standards for the practice of telemedicine/telehealth.

Source: WY Code 33-1-303(a(iv)) (HB 164 – 2017). (Accessed Aug. 2019).

Professional Board Telehealth-Specific Regulations

- WY Board of Chiropractic Services

Source: WY Admin. Code, Chiropractic Board, Ch. 11) (Accessed Aug. 2019).

