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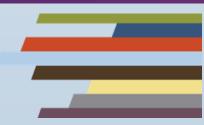
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Behavioral Health Institute (BHI) Training, Workforce and Policy Innovation Center

The Behavioral Health Institute (BHI) Is a Center of Excellence where innovation, research and clinical practice come together to improve mental health and addiction treatment. The BHI established initial priority programs which include:

- Improving care for youth and young adults with early psychosis
- Behavioral Health Urgent Care Walk in Clinic
- Expanded Digital and Telehealth Services
- Behavioral Health Training, Workforce and Policy Innovation Center



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About the Northwest MHTTC

The Mental Health Technology Transfer Center (MHTTC) Network is about technology transfer.

We disseminate and implement evidence-based practices for serious mental health issues into our field.

Our target workforce includes:

behavioral health and primary care providers, school and social service staff, and others whose work has the potential to improve behavioral health outcomes for individuals with or at risk of developing serious mental health issues.









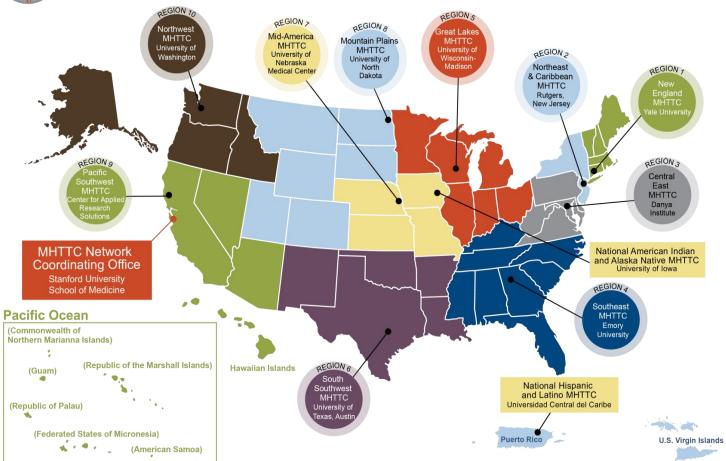








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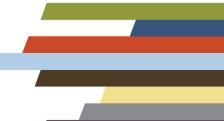
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The MHTTC Network uses affirming, respectful and recovery-oriented language in all activities. That language is:

INVITING TO INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATING IN THEIR OWN JOURNEYS

STRENGTHS-BASED AND HOPEFUL

PERSON-FIRST AND FREE OF LABELS

INCLUSIVE AND
ACCEPTING OF
DIVERSE CULTURES,
GENDERS,
PERSPECTIVES,
AND EXPERIENCES

NON-JUDGMENTAL AND AVOIDING ASSUMPTIONS

HEALING-CENTERED/ TRAUMA-RESPONSIVE RESPECTFUL, CLEAR AND UNDERSTANDABLE

CONSISTENT WITH OUR ACTIONS, POLICIES, AND PRODUCTS

Adapted from: https://mhcc.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Recovery-Oriented-Language-Guide_2019ed_v1_20190809-Web.pdf

Attendee Information

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Considerations for Telebehavioral Health in Indian Country

Chris Fore, PhD Director, IHS TBHCE

10/17/20

Summary of Emergency Changes

Regulatory

Same – State Licensure is no longer required for anyone

 HIPAA requirements are currently relaxed regarding video platforms

Summary of Emergency Changes

CMS/Billing

 Telephone contacts are billable as Virtual Check-In

 "4-walls rule" is waived; in-home services can be reimbursed

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Telebehavioral Health Consideration

Four Connection Scenarios:

PROVIDER	PATIENT
Clinic	Clinic
Home	Clinic
Clinic	Home
Home	Home

Telebehavioral Health Consideration (continued)

- Platform/Equipment
- Bandwidth
- Documentation
 - Prescribing
- Telehealth Coordinator



Telebehavioral Health Consideration (continued)

- Backup Plans
 - Clinical
 - Technology
- Sustainability

WA State HCA's Provider One Billing and Technical Assistance

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WA State - Tele*medicine* and Tele*health* – ProviderOne Billing

- The following 3 slides contain information for billing telemedicine and telehealth services to ProviderOne
- Information obtained from the following sources
 - HCA ProviderOne billing guides
 - HCA COVID website
 - HCA ProviderOne Billing and Resource Guide and user manuals
- The sources above are undergoing revisions during the Pandemic if there is a discrepancy between these slides and any HCA document – the Office of Tribal Affairs defers to the HCA documents
- Telemedicine is defined in WAC 182 531 1730
- There is no WAC definition of Telehealth, HCA overviewed Telehealth in their <u>COVID Brief</u>

 Washington State

Health Care Authorit

Telemedicine and Telehealth and ProviderOne during the COVID-19 Pandemic

- There are three different types of cycles pictured on this page
- We can translate these into different types of tele-services
 - The bicycle is *telemedicine*
 - The tricycle is *Skype* (telehealth)
 - The unicycle is a *telephone call* (telehealth)
- Prior to the Pandemic we were only allowed to ride a bicycle/telemedicine (some exceptions apply but they are out of scope for this exercise)
- During the Pandemic we are allowed to ride all three types of cycles
- NOTE: only a bicycle can be called a bicycle for example
 - Zoom may be telemedicine or it may be telehealth
 - Zoom that is HIPAA compliant, real time audio and visual that meets the definition of telemedicine (link to definition) and telemedicine was covered before the Pandemic
 - Zoom that is not HIPAA compliant is not telemedicine (one of the defining variables of telemedicine is that it is HIPAA compliant), it is telehealth and it is covered

during the Pandemic









Q. What services are covered by P1 for telemedicine due to the COVID-19 issue?

A. We have to split it up by category

Category	Is Telemedicine a covered service?	What Telemedicine services are covered?	Billing/Coding for Telemedicine
MEDICAL	Yes. Refer to the P1 Physician- Related Billing Guide, page 85 And the HCA Physical Therapy notice	The agency reimburses medically necessary covered services through telemedicine when the service is provided by a Washington Apple Health provider and is within their scope of practice.	 For services provided via telemedicine, bill the code you would usually that denotes the service rendered (FAQ) (HCA does not follow CPT/HCPCS, HCA does not provide a 'codeset' for telemedicine services) Add modifier 95 after adding all other modifiers (eg UA/SE/25/etc) HCA's COVID team indicates that modifier CR is not required Place of Service code is 02
DENTAL	Yes. Tele-Dentistry is in the <u>Dental</u> <u>Billing Guide</u>	Teledentistry is not a specific procedure, but a broad variety of technologies and tactics used to deliver dental services	 Use the regular ADA code from the dental billing guide, there is a code-set in the <u>Dental Notice</u> D0140 (Limited Eval), D0170 (followup appts), D9999 (Family Oral Health Eval for ABCD-certified providers), D027x (bitewings), D0220 (xrays) Add the Teledentistry code (D9995) Place of Service code is 02
MENTAL HEALTH	Yes. Refer to the <u>Mental Health</u> <u>Billing Guide</u>	For Both Mental Health And Outpatient SUD services: Telemedicine is covered as an alternative means to provide care in all Medicaid benefits, including behavioral health. (HCA	 Use the regular CPT codes from the Mental Health Billing guide (HCA does not provide a 'code-set') Add modifier 95 after adding all other modifiers (eg. HE/SE/25/etc) HCA's COVID team indicates that modifier CR is not required Place of Service code is 02
SUD (Outpatient)	Yes. Refer to the <u>SUD billing Guide</u>	COVID brief)	 Use the regular CPT/HCPCS code from the SUD billing guide (HCA does not provide a 'code-set') Add modifier 95 after adding all other modifiers (e.g. HF) HCA's COVID team indicates that modifier CR is not required Place of Service code is 02



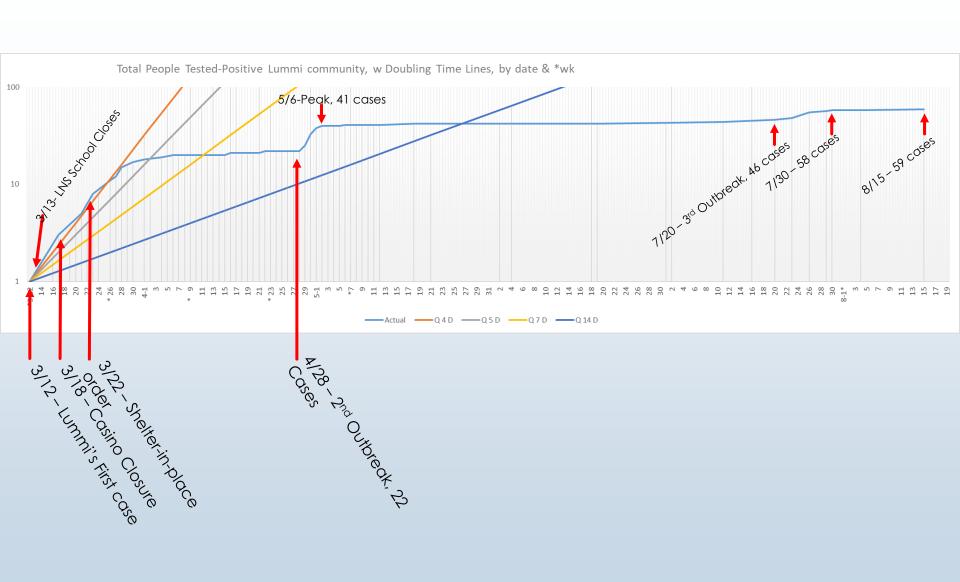
Q. What services are covered by P1 if rendered using Telehealth (other than telemedicine)* due to the COVID-19 issue?

A. We have to split it up by category

Category	Are services rendered over the telephone covered?	What services rendered over the telephone are covered?	Billing/Coding for services rendered over the telephone		
Medical	Yes. Telephone E&Ms. Physician-Related billing guide p.47 HCA COVID FAQ adds Online Digital Evaluations (Brief, online E/M services via a secure platform)	Per the Physician-Related billing guide The agency pays for telephone services when used by a physician to report and bill for episodes of care initiated by an established patient or by the patient's guardian. Report and bill for telephone services using the following CPT codes: CPT 99441-99443 (page 47) HCA FAQ - CPT 99421-99423 (online digital evaluations) are now covered along with the telephone E&Ms	 If you are a licensed provider who can bill an E&M code Telephone E&Ms - 99441-99443. Online digital E&Ms - 99421- 99423 (FAQ) Otherwise, Report the service modality code (CPT or HCPC code) as you would if the encounter was in person per the FAQ Per the HCA COVID FAQ - Use the POS indicator that that best describes where the client is. For example, the client is at home, then use POS 12. Modifier – Use (ADD) the CR modifier after adding all other modifiers (do not add the GT/95 – those are used only for telemedicine) 		
Dental	Yes. Refer to notice on HCA Bulletin	In response to the circumstances surrounding COVID-19, the Health Care Authority (HCA) will cover CDT code D9992 (care coordination) to allow dentists to provide phone triage of clients with emergency dental needs (<u>link</u>) This service must be rendered by a Dentist. Webinar link	CDT code D9992		
Mental Health	Yes. Apple Health is temporarily allowing BH services using a telephone or other means of electronic transaction to conduct an office visit. (link)	Per the <u>HCA notice</u> - During this crisis, you can provide any modality in the Mental Health Billing Guide	CPT code is the regular CPT from the Mental Health Billing or SUD Billing guide, or — 99441-99443, to support access to care, Medicaid allows these telephone code to be used by any physician or other qualified provider, as defined by the policies under each benefit described in the notice to conduct a telephone call with the client; not just those who can report an E&M, as described in the official code definition. (However, CPT 99441-99443 are not payable on SUD claims in P1) Per the HCA BH COVID FAQ - The place of service indicator that best		
SUD (outpatient)	Yes, per the HCA notice (<u>link</u>)	Per the <u>HCA notice</u> - SAMSHA provided guidance on this issue. There guidance is very permissive and is intended to support the delivery of care using all the technology modalities available during this crisis. See https://www.samhsa.gov/coronavirus for details	describes where the client is, i.e. "12" is home Modifier – Use (ADD) the CR modifier after adding all other modifiers (do not add the GT/95 – those are used only for telemedicine)		

Lummi Nation Tele-behavioral health

IHCP Telehealth Training Sept 17th,2020 Megan Ballew, PhD



Timeline of Initial Covid Impact on Lummi Behavioral Health Services

March 11th: Lummi leadership announces early release as "test" for emergency preparedness. Asks staff to take home anything needed to work from home. Most staff never returned to the office.

March 12th: First positive covid case at Lummi. Behavioral Health secures 25 professional Zoom accounts.

March 19th: Staff member from Behavioral Health tests positive.

Approximately 20 clients and 10 staff exposed to person in previous week had to quarantine.

March 21st: All mental health services transitioned to telehealth. Clinicians called each client on their caseload, explaining telehealth services and helping schedule.

Current Lummi Behavioral Health Staffing

Administrative Staff: 1 Executive
Assistant and 1 Administrative
Assistant

Mental Health Program

- 5 Full Time Mental Health Counselors
- Recruiting 1 FT & 1 PT Counselor
- 1 psychologists (assessment)
- 3 Masters level interns
- 2 NWIC (AA/BA) interns

Crisis Outreach Program

- 1 Mental Health Counselor/Supervisor
- 1 Certified Peer Support Counselor

AWARE grant staff: focus on school aged youth/mental health

- 4 Mental Health Counselors on grant (includes non-clinical duties)
- 1 Parenting Specialist
- 5 Certified Peer Support Counselors
- 2 Youth Activity Specialists
- 1 Social Media Specialist
- 1 Cultural Coordinator (Elder)
- 1 Community Outreach (Elder)

Medication Assisted Therapy expansion grant staff: outreach & services for individuals who use opioids

- 2 recovery coaches
- 2 administrative staff

Lummi Behavioral Health Client Demand

BH MENTAL HEALTH ANNUAL MOONWALK ACTIVITY REPORT 2020

Month	2020 seen	2019 seen	net change	%Change	no show	cancel	total noshow
JAN	380	421	-41	-9.74%	167	275	442
FEB	469	256	213	83.20%	151	270	421
MAR	459	368	91	24.73%	211	284	495
APR	487	342	145	42.40%	139	159	298
MAY	450	370	80	21.62%	103	175	278
JUN	396	307	89	25.99%	120	226	328
JUL	482	233	249	106.86%	125	204	329
AUG	428	248	180	72.58%	119	195	314
SEP							
ОСТ							
NOV							
DEC							
otals	<u>3551</u>	2545	1006	39.53%	1135	1788	2905

What innovations have worked?

Zoom platform

Digital signature

Providing clients with appropriate technology

Strong social media presence

Reduction of stigma for some clients

Staff check-ins multiple times per week

What barriers still exist?

Poor internet, wifi, cellular connection

Client access to technology

Privacy

Services with youth

Counselor wellness: adjusting to home offices & isolation

Discussion Q & A



What are Your Challenges & Innovations

...for Providers?

...for Clients?



Psychiatry Consultation Services for Washington State Healthcare Providers

Psychiatry Consultation Line (PCL)

for prescribing providers with adult psychiatry and/or addictions questions

877-WA-PSYCH (877-927-7924**)** | pclwa@uw.edu **Staffed 24/7**

https://pcl.psychiatry.uw.edu/

Partnership Access Line (PAL)

for primary care prescribers with child and adolescent psychiatry questions

866-599-7257 | paladmin@seattlechildrens.org **8am - 5pm, Monday - Friday** (excluding holidays)

www.seattlechildrens.org/PAL

PAL for Moms

for providers with behavioral health questions related to pregnancy and postpartum 877-PAL4MOM (877-725-4666) | ppcl@uw.edu 9am - 5pm, Monday - Friday (excluding holidays) www.mcmh.uw.edu/ppcl

Psychiatry & Addictions Case Conferences

(UW PACC-ECHO)

for providers interested in didactic presentations and case-based learning

uwpacc@uw.edu

12:00-1:30 pm, Thursdays

ictp.uw.edu/programs/uw-pacc







Thank You!



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