

Behavioral Health Outpatient Provider Incentive Program

You may receive financial incentives for follow-up visits with our members after an acute mental health admission. The follow-up visit must be within 30 days of discharge.

Eligible visits:

You will be eligible to earn \$30 per claim if the visit is:

- Between Jan. 1, 2021 through Dec. 31, 2023.
- Within 30 days after discharge from an acute mental health admission.
- Psychotherapy or pharmacologic management (this can be a telehealth visit).
- Member is NOT a Medicare or Medicare Supplement member.

How to submit a claim for an eligible follow-up visit using CMS 1500

- Add procedure code G9002 to your standard code(s) for the visit.
- Use the modifier U9 in the modifier section.
- Use the code and modifier only once for the same member within a 30-day period.
- Only one provider may use the code and modifier for the same member within the same 30-day period.
- If more than one provider uses the code and modifier for the same member, we will allow the incentive for the provider with the earlier date of service only. Any reimbursement will be made according to BCBSNM medical and reimbursement policies.

Program limitations

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico may extend, discontinue or change this program at any time. We will tell you if we do.

Program rules

By submitting procedure code G9002 with modifier U9 on the claim, your organization is representing to BCBSNM that the terms and conditions of this letter for use of the procedure code and modifier are agreeable and have been met. Your organization is also consenting to possible selection for a random audit to confirm the members for whom claims with the procedure code and modifier were seen within 30 days post-discharge, along with general medical record quality elements to include, without cost to BCBSNM for any copies, signed consent, biographical data, documented diagnosis, service dates, medication information, treatment plan, and confidentiality safeguards.

Please note: This incentive replaces any similar incentive for Blue Cross Community CentennialsM members as of March 4, 2020. The incentive amount is now \$30 per claim.

More information

For questions and comments, please email **BHQualityImprovement@bcbstx.com** or contact your Provider Network Representative.

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