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Purpose

- Give the FQHCs a distinct and separate chapter
- Provide greater clarification to current policy limitations
- Begin the foundation and framework for future concepts and changes to the FQHC services covered by Nevada Medicaid



Proposed Changes

Section 2900

FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS

Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) are defined by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as health centers providing comprehensive, culturally competent, quality primary health care services to medically underserved communities and vulnerable populations. Nevada Medicaid reimburses for medically-necessary services provided at FQHCs and follows State and Federal laws pertaining to them.



Proposed Changes Cont'd

Section 2901 Authority

Medicaid is provided in accordance with the requirements of Title 42 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 440, Subpart A – Definitions, Subpart B and sections 1929 (a), 1902 (e), 1905 (a), 1905 (p), 1915, 1920, and 1925 of the Act. Physician's services are mandated as a condition of participation in the Medicaid Program Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 630A.220.

The State Legislature sets forth standards of practice for licensed professionals in the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) for the following Specialists:

Section 330 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act;

NRS Chapter 630 - Physicians and Physician Assistants and Practitioners of Respiratory Care General Provisions;

NRS Chapter 633 - Osteopathic Medicine;

NRS Chapter 635 - Podiatry;

NRS Chapter 640E – Registered Dietitians

NRS Chapter 450B Emergency Medical Services;

Section 1861 of the Social Security Act;

Section 1905 of the Social Security Act;

Section 1461 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act



Proposed Changes Cont'd

Section 2902 Reserved

Section 2903 HEALTH SERVICES

Section 2903.1 Encounters

A. The DHCFP reimburses FQHCs an outpatient encounter rate.

1. Encounter: Any one or more of the following medical professionals are included in the all-inclusive, daily outpatient encounter:

- a. Physician or Osteopath;
- b. Dentist;
- c. Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN);
- d. Physician Assistant;
- e. Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA);



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- f. Certified Registered Nurse Midwife;
- g. Psychologist;
- h. Licensed Clinical Social Worker;
- i. Registered Dental Hygienist;
- j. Podiatrist;
- k. Radiology;
- l. Optometrist;
- m. Optician;
- n. Registered Dietitian; and
- o. Clinical Laboratory



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B. Encounters are used by FQHCs for Medicaid-covered, HRSA-approved services which include:

1. Primary care services: medical history, physical examination, assessment of health status, treatment of a variety of conditions amenable to medical management on an ambulatory basis by an approved provider and related supplies;
2. Vital signs including temperature, blood pressure, pulse, oximetry and respiration;
3. Early periodic screenings (Refer to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 1500, Healthy Kids), for EPSDT screening policy and periodicity recommendations;
4. Preventive health services recommended with a grade of A or B by the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) and education (Refer to MSM Chapter 600, Physicians Services, Attachments #6-12 through #6-14 for preventive services policy);



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5. Home visits;

6. Diagnostic laboratory and radiology services, including but not limited to cholesterol screening, stool testing for occult blood, tuberculosis testing for high risk patients, dipstick urinalysis;

7. Family Planning services including contraceptives;

Up to two times a calendar year, the FQHC may bill for additional reimbursement for family planning education on the same date of service as the encounter.

8. For women: annual preventive gynecological examinations, prenatal and post-partum care, prenatal services, clinical breast examination, thyroid function test;

9. Vision and hearing screenings;



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10. Dental office visits;

Dental encounters are to be billed as applicable with the FQHC encounter reimbursement methodology. An FQHC may bill a dental encounter for each face-to-face encounter. Dentures provided by an FQHC are included in the daily encounter rate unlike the denture policy established in MSM Chapter 1000, Dental, for Fee-for-Service recipients who obtain dentures at non-FQHC facilities. Medicaid will pay for a maximum of one emergency denture relines and/or a maximum of six adjustments (dental encounters) done not more often than every six months, beginning six months after the date of partial/denture purchase. A prior authorization is not required for relines. The FQHCs in-office records must substantially document the medical emergency need. Denture/partial relines and adjustments required within the first six months are considered prepaid with the Medicaid's Dental encounter payment for the prosthetic. All other coverage policies (covered and non-covered for dental, MSM Chapter 1000) are still applicable.

11. Service Limits: An FQHC may reimburse for up to three service specific visits per patient per day to allow for a medical, mental health, and dental visit to occur on a single day for the same patient.



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C. Non-covered services under an FQHC encounter:

1. Group therapy;
2. Eyeglasses;
3. Hearing aids;
4. Durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics and supplies; and
5. Ambulance services.

Section 2903.2 ANCILLARY SERVICES

All services not recognized by HRSA as approved FQHC encounter services which are an approved Nevada Medicaid State plan service.

- A. Ancillary services may be reimbursed on the same date of service as an encounter by a qualified Medicaid provider.
- B. The FQHC must enroll within the appropriate provider type and meet all MSM coverage guidelines for the specific ancillary service.



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Section 2903.3 MEDICAL NECESSITY

In order to receive reimbursement, all services provided must be medically necessary as defined in MSM Chapter 100 - Medical Program.

Section 2903.4 PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

- A. FQHC encounters do not require prior authorization.
- B. Ancillary services billed outside of an encounter must follow prior authorization policy guidelines for the specific service provided.

For billing instructions for FQHCs, please refer to the Billing Manual for Provider Type 17.

For Indian Health Programs (IHP) policy, please refer to MSM Chapter 3000, Indian Health.



Discussion

- What do you need greater clarification on?
- How can the policy be enhanced, within current limitations, to better serve the FQHCs?
 - Examples:
 - Registered Dietitian
 - Dental
 - WRAP
 - Ancillary
 - Any other provider type clarification
 - Better definitions



Next Steps

- Please be on the look out for a survey on how you currently view the FQHC chapter
 - This will help us measure success with chapter changes
- Next workshop scheduled for
 - Tentatively scheduled for May 18, 2018