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Updated Correction Notice

Updated Guidance on T1016 Code Allowance for a Provider with a Counseling Facility License

This notice amends the April 29, 2025 Constant Contact communication about the HCPCS codes applicable to providers with a Counseling Only Facility license under Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS). The earlier notice indicated *case management services (T1016)* were **not** covered.

This notification clarifies that *case management (T1016)*, is approved within the scope of license as specified in Arizona Administrative Code, Title 9, Chapter 10, Article 1 (101)(59), which is in alignment with Arizona Revised Statutes § 32-3251.

AHCCCS has updated the provider profile for AHCCCS registered CF (Counseling Facility) providers to include T1016 from the list of covered HCPCS codes to align with ADHS licensure and the approved scope of service for this type of Health Care Institution. The AHCCCS Behavioral Health Services Matrix (B2 Matrix) will show the provider types that are allowed to bill T1016 code.

Impacted Providers

Providers licensed with ADHS solely as a "counseling facility" and providers submitting claims to the American Indian Health Program (AIHP) and Providers submitting claims to AIHP behavioral health services with HCPCS code

Requirements

As defined in A.A.C. R9-10-101.60, a "Counseling facility" means a health care institution that <u>only</u> provides counseling.

A.R.S. § 32-3251 – Section (11) defines "Practice of professional counseling" as:

the professional application of mental health, psychological and human development theories, principles and techniques to:

a) Facilitate human development and adjustment throughout the human life span.

b) Assess and facilitate career development.

c) Treat interpersonal relationship issues and nervous,

mental and emotional disorders that are cognitive, affective or behavioral.

d) Manage symptoms of mental illness.

e) Assess, Apprise, evaluate, diagnose and treat individuals,

couples, families and groups through the use of psychotherapy.

Case management activities under T1016 will be available to the Counseling Only Facility provider type for counseling activities, like those outlined under subsection (a), (c), and (e) within A.R.S. § 32-3251 which require care coordination and case management. Such services require additional clinical support, and Counseling Facility providers are allowed to bill for the T1016 code as medically necessary. A provider with a Counseling Facility license with ADHS, should be registered with AHCCCS as a Counseling Facility (CF) provider type, and is limited to billing from the list of following HCPCS codes below. Claims submitted for services that fall outside the HCPCS codes listed below will be denied.

Codes Description

H0001 Alcohol and/or drug assessment H0002 Behavioral health screening to determine eligibility H0004 Behavioral health counseling and therapy, per 15 minutes H0023 Behavioral health outreach service H0031 Mental health assessment, by non-physician H2011 Crisis intervention service, per 15 minutes T1016 Case management services

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