

Provider Update

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Home health update

Summary of update: This is an update to Amerigroup Iowa, Inc. home health access of funding and process of billing.

What this means to you: To ensure transparency for providers, we have released the below information on the hierarchy of home health payments. This update includes instructions for billing home health services.

Hierarchy of home health payments

1. Private insurance
2. Medicaid
3. Waiver services

Medicaid payment of home health maximums

There must be utilization of up to 28 hours per service before accessing the equivalent waiver service for home health aide and skilled nursing visits.

Billing for Medicaid home health

Amerigroup requires you to submit revenue codes and applicable HCPCS codes in order to be compensated for applicable low utilization payment adjustment rates. Amerigroup recognizes G codes for home health services.

Note: One unit of HCPCS code is equivalent to one home health visit.

Example: Home health aide — One unit of G0156 equals one visit.

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