

**KMAP GENERAL BULLETIN 20068**

**UPDATED - Additional Telemedicine Coverage for BI Waiver Services During COVID-19 Emergency**

Effective with dates of service on and after March 12, 2020, the following Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver services will be allowed to be provided via telemedicine (and additionally by telephone for Speech-Language Therapy) by enrolled HCBS providers with provider types and specialties unchanged.

Providers will be allowed to be reimbursed for the following codes when the originating telemedicine site is in the member's home (i.e. where the member is receiving services). No payment for the Q3014 code will be made for POS 12 (home) without the physical presence of an enrolled provider.

The distant site, where the provider is delivering services, will use the appropriate Current Procedural Terminology/Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (CPT/HCPCS) code with Place of Service code 02 used when providing these services via telemedicine.

Telemedicine services (including telephonic contact) can be made when there is verbal consent received from the patient (to be followed up by written approval) in the medical record. Audio/visual communication can only be utilized if that contact is HIPAA compliant. These updates do not change or modify the current coverage but allow for an additional delivery method. Allowed provider types and specialties will remain unchanged. Reimbursement will be the same as a face-to-face visit. Existing NCCI edits/limitations will remain in place and are not waived with this policy.

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### Brain Injury Waiver -

Service Descriptor	Code	Allowed mode of delivery
Occupational Therapy	G0152	Tele-video and telephone
Physical Therapy	G0151	Tele-video and telephone
Speech-Language Therapy	G0153	Tele-video and telephone

Per Executive Order No. 20.08: This policy will remain in force until rescinded, until May 1, 2020, or until the statewide State of Disaster Emergency proclaimed on March 12, 2020, relating to COVID-19 expires, whichever is earlier.

Exceptions granted in this policy shall be in place until rescinded.

**Note:** The effective date of the policy is March 12, 2020. The implementation of State policy by the KanCare managed care organizations (MCOs) may vary from the date noted in the Kansas Medical Assistance Program (KMAP) bulletins. The KanCare Open Claims Resolution Log on the KMAP Bulletins page documents the MCO system status for policy implementation and any associated reprocessing completion dates, once the policy is implemented.

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