



ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY STATEMENT

Ohio Medicaid

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ADMINISTRATIVE	

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According to the rules of Mental Health Parity Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA), coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of a behavioral health disorder will not be subject to any limitations that are less favorable than the limitations that apply to medical conditions as covered under this policy.

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A. Subject

Provider Home Visits

B. Background

Provider home visits are medical care visits rendered in the home setting to an individual for the examination, diagnosis, and/or treatment of an injury or illness. For the purposes of this policy, home is defined as the individual's place of residence, including private residence/domicile, assisted living facility, group home, custodial care facility, long-term care facility, or skilled nursing facility.

C. Definitions

- **Home** – An individual's place of residence, including private residence/domicile, assisted living facility, group homes, custodial care facility, long-term care facility, or skilled nursing facility.
- **Network (Participating) Provider** – Any provider, group of providers, or entity that has a network provider contract with CareSource to provide services to members.
- **Place of Service (POS)** – A two-digit code that indicates the setting in which a service was provided.
- **Provider** – A hospital, health care facility, physician, dentist, pharmacy, or otherwise licensed or certified appropriate individual or entity that is authorized to or may be entitled to reimbursement for health care-related services rendered to a CareSource member.
- **Out of Network (Non-Participating) Provider** – Any provider, group of providers, or entity that has a network provider contract with CareSource to provide services to its members.
- **Services** – Services that occur in the member's place of residence that normally would be performed in an office/outpatient setting, such as evaluation and management (E&M) visits, wound care, podiatry care, eye care, etc.

D. Policy

- I. CareSource reimburses participating or non-participating providers for services performed in a member's place of residence that usually can be performed at an office visit.
 - A. CareSource will reimburse providers according to the Medicaid fee schedule.
 - B. Durable medical equipment (DME) services in the place of residence are subject to medical necessity review and should be provided by in network (participating) provider.
 - C. Ancillary services, such as labs and x-ray services, in the place of residence are subject to medical necessity review and should be provided by in network (participating) provider.
- II. Claim submission must include the appropriate Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes along with any applicable modifier with the appropriate place of service (POS) code.
 - A. Place of service (POS) for provider services in the member's place of residence should include one of the following:

1. POS 12 – Home
2. POS 13 – Assisted Living
3. POS 14 – Group Home
4. POS 31 – Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)
5. POS 32 – Long-term Facility
6. POS 33 – Custodial Care/Rest Home

- III. CareSource reimburses for services that occur in the member's place of residence that normally would be performed in an office/outpatient setting, such as E&M visits, wound care, podiatry care, eye care, etc.
- A. CareSource members do not need to be confined to a place of residence to receive services rendered by a provider.
 - B. The CareSource member's medical record must document the medical necessity of the visit made in place of residence.
 - C. A visit cannot be billed by a provider unless the provider was actually present in the member's place of residence.

- IV. Services performed in the member's place of residence may be subject to review. CareSource may request documentation of services performed. Appropriate and complete documentation must be presented at the time of review to validate medical necessity. If medical necessity is not confirmed based on the documentation submitted, recoupment may occur.

E. Conditions of Coverage

NA

F. Related Policies/Rules

Medical Necessity Determinations

G. Review/Revision History

	DATE	ACTION
Date Issued	01/01/2019	New policy
Date Revised	02/16/2022	Converted from PY-0444 to AD-1165. Changed physician to provider to more inclusive. Approved at PGC.
	05/10/2023	Annual review. Update reference. Approved at Committee.
	01/17/2024	Annual review. Updated references. Added related policy. Approved at Committee.
	04/09/2025	Periodic review. Updated references. Approved at Committee
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H. References

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