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Attention Provider Types 14, 20, 26 and 82 Billing Outpatient Mental Health Services

Providers may only bill for authorized services (see <u>Chapter 400</u> of the Medicaid Services Manual and the <u>Billing Guidelines</u> for Behavioral Health Providers). Providers may not substitute procedure codes in order to provide and bill unauthorized services.

For example: Provider Type 82 (Behavioral Health Rehabilitative Treatment) providers may not bill for individual, family or group therapy. Thus, they may not provide therapy and then bill for Psychosocial Rehabilitation (H2017) services. Substitution of procedure codes in this manner is inappropriate.

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