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MEMORANDUM (DMS -40)

To: Early Intervention Day Treatment (EIDT) & Adult Development Day Treatment (ADDT) Providers

- From: Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDS) & Division of Medical Services (DMS)
- Date: May 7, 2020

Re: Use of Well Checks for EIDT and ADDT providers during COVID-19 Outbreak

Amended on July 8, 2020 to add codes

As authorized by the <u>Governor's Executive Order 20-06</u> and Order 20-16, regarding the public health emergency concerning COVID-19, and power delegated to the Governor by Arkansas Code Annotated § 12-75-114, the following agency rule is identified as preventing, hindering, or delaying the agency's ability to render maximum assistance to the citizens of this state and is hereby suspended until the Governor declares the end to the public health emergency in Arkansas:

The telephonic, "face to face" and clinic services described below will be available and billable on May 8, 2020, and will be retroactive to dates of service, April 5, 2020. The services will be available to established patients only.

Well Check Description

Well Check service for vulnerable children and adults with developmental disabilities and delays who meet the state determined medical necessity criteria is added under the Preventative Benefit found at 42 CFR § 440.130(c).

Service Description: The service is typically a 15-30-minute check-in visit, either by phone or in the home, that ensures the beneficiaries needs are being met for overall health and well-being, such as their nutritional status, medication regimen and any emerging health issues, while the beneficiary is unable to attend their day treatment program where these activities are part of the daily onsite services provided. The services must be recommended by a physician or other licensed practitioner who must determine the services are medically necessary.

Provider Qualifications: Must be a certified and enrolled Early Intervention Day Treatment or Adult Developmental Day Treatment Facility. The staff performing the well check may be a professional or paraprofessional who has at least one (1) year of experience working with clients with developmental disabilities or delays. Limitations on amount, duration or scope: The beneficiaries are eligible to receive two (2) well checks per week, one by telemedicine (including telephone) and one face-to-face. Beneficiaries under age twenty-one (21) may get an extension of benefits upon a showing of medical necessity as determined by the state. The well check may be provided in the home or using telemedicine.

Procedure Codes Billing Information and Limitations T1027 Family Training and Counseling

T1027 U1 in person, one 30-minute unit encounter for \$15.00, Place of Service (12) T1027 U2 telephonic (by phone), one 15-minute unit encounter for \$7.50, Place of service (02)

Providers cannot bill for these services on the same day.

Beneficiaries are eligible for two services a week, so provides can bill either one "face to face" or telephonic. Example: IF U1 is provided and billed on Monday, you cannot provide and bill for U2 on Monday. U2 will have to be provided and billed another day during the week to meet the 2 call per week check in requirement.

Attending a Clinic

If a child or an adult attends an EIDT/ ADDT clinic, providers may bill one 15- minute unit encounter for \$15.00, Place of Service (49), per beneficiary Monday – Friday.

ADDT -T1015- U6, UA, U1

EIDT – T1015 U6, UB, U1 EIDT Summer -T1015 -U6, UC, U1, Summer Day Treatment 6-20

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