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Behavioral Health Services in a Mobile Unit

Applies to:

- Psychiatrist, psychiatric advanced practice nurse;
- Licensed or provisional licensed psychologist, doctoral psychology intern;
- Licensed clinical social worker, licensed master social worker;
- Licensed or provisional licensed professional counselor;
- Licensed or provisional licensed marital and family therapist

Effective Date: July 1, 2021

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PROGRAM UPDATE

Effective July 1, 2021, the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) will cover medically necessary behavioral health services provided in a mobile unit when billed with place of service 15. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services define a mobile unit as a facility/unit that moves from place-to-place equipped to provide preventive, screening, diagnostic, and/or treatment services.

When providers deliver services in a mobile unit, it may be at a location for which another POS code exists. For example, a mobile unit may go to a school to deliver services. If the mobile unit is serving an entity for which another POS code already exists, providers should use the POS code for that entity, for example POS 03 for school. However, if the mobile unit is not serving an entity that has an existing POS code, the providers are to use the Mobile Unit POS code 15.

APPLICABILITY

This bulletin applies to behavioral health services provided through either MO HealthNet fee-for-service or managed care delivery systems. For managed care members, please contact the respective MO HealthNet managed care plan directly for further billing instructions.

Provider Bulletins are available on the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) website at <http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/bulletins.htm>. Bulletins will remain on the Provider Bulletins page only until incorporated into the [provider manuals](#) as appropriate, then moved to the Archived Bulletin page.

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The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the MO HealthNet card or by calling the Provider Communications Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-751-2896 and using Option One for the MO HealthNet ID card.

**Provider Communications Hotline
573-751-2896**