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During the COVID-19 PHE, RHCs and FQHCs can furnish any telehealth service that is approved as a Medicare telehealth service under the PFS. (See https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-General-Information/Telehealth/Telehealth-Codes.
– resource: MLN Matters SE20016

The following are approved codes for Telehealth services for FQHCs and are included on the list of the above referenced link:

- Diabetes Self-Management Training (DSMT) - G0108, G0109
- Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) - 97802, 97803, G0270

In addition, if you look in column D, it states, “Can Audio-only Interaction Meet the Requirements?” and all are indicated with “yes.”

FAQs(pre-covid): Resource: Frequently Asked Questions on the Medicare FQHC PPS
Q5. If a Diabetes Self-Management Training (DSMT) or Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) visit occurs on the same day as a mental health visit, can two visits be billed?
A5. Yes, because DSMT/MNT is considered a medical visit and a FQHC can bill for 2 visits when a medical and mental health visit occur on the same day.

Q6. If a DSMT/MNT visit is furnished on the same day as another medical visit, can two visits be billed? A6. No. If DSMT/MNT is furnished on the same day as another medical visit, only one visit can be billed.
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FQHCs and RHCs may bill for telehealth, telepsychiatry and select virtual patient communication services if the service follows core service billing requirements as outlined in clinical coverage policy 1D-4, Core Services Provided in Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics. Information concerning Virtual Communication Services provided by FQHCs and RHCs is located here: https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Federally-Qualified-Health-Centers-FQHC-Center.

What this means for FQHCs: if DSMT and MNT are considered core services in clinical coverage policy 1D-4, which DSMT is and MNT is NOT, see section 5.3 of CCP ID-4 and follows core service billing requirements.

As noted below FQHCs are included as a provider for DSME and bill code G0108.

Resource: NC Medicaid Telehealth Billing Code Summary

However, the following telephonic evaluation and management and virtual patient communication codes may be billed by physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners and advance practice midwives and billed with G0071. This does not include CDE’s.

**Note clinical coverage policy 1D-4 is in the process of being revised by DHB and in the public comment stage.