

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: Nebraska

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES

The Department reserves the right to adjust the fee schedule to:

1. Comply with changes in state or federal requirements;
2. Comply with changes in nationally-recognized coding systems, such as HCPCS and CPT;
3. Establish an initial allowable amount for a new procedure based on information that was not available when the fee schedule was established for the current year; and
4. Adjust the allowable amount when the Medicaid Division determines that the current allowable amount is:
 - a. Not appropriate for the service provided; or
 - b. Based on errors in data or calculation.

The Department may issue revisions of the Nebraska Medicaid Practitioner Fee Schedule during the year that it is effective. Providers will be notified of the revisions and their effective dates.

Other services covered as EPSDT follow-up services will be paid according to currently established payment methodologies, i.e., inpatient hospital treatment for substance abuse treatment services will be paid according to the methodology in Attachment 4.19-A.

Payment for Telehealth Services: Payment for telehealth services is set at the Medicaid rates for the comparable in-person service.

Payment for Telehealth Transmission costs: Payment for telehealth transmission Costs is set at the lower of: (1) the providers submitted charge; or (2) the maximum allowable amount.

The Department reimburses transmission costs for line charges when directly related to a covered telehealth service. The transmission must be in compliance with the quality standards for real time, two-way interactive audiovisual transmission as set forth in state regulations as amended.

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