

## State of New Mexico Medical Assistance Program Manual

## Supplement



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TO: HOSPITALS AND ALL PROVIDERS

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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTING A NEW PLACE OF SERVICE (POS) 27, "OUTREACH

SITE/STREET"

The purpose of this supplement is to provide information on implementing a new Place of Service (POS) 27, "Outreach Site/Street," **effective July 1, 2024.** 

CMS recently added a new POS: code 27 in October 2023, which is used to report services provided to unsheltered homeless individuals. https://www.cms.gov/files/document/r12411cp.pdf

A non-permanent location on the street or found environment, not described by any other POS code, where health professionals provide preventive, screening, diagnostic, and/or treatment services to unsheltered homeless individuals.

The revisions align with CMS and Turquoise Care efforts to address economic, social, and other obstacles impacting healthcare access with goal to work collaboratively toward the improved well-being of all homeless persons

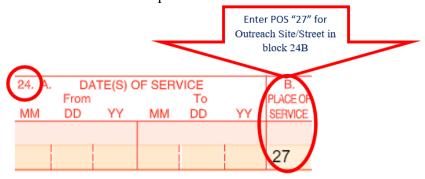
- 1. **Provider Eligibility Requirements**: New Mexico Medicaid enrolled provider working within their scope pf practice who conducts patient visits outside of the four walls of clinics or hospitals and directly on the street, in environments where unsheltered individuals may be (such as those living in a car, RV, abandoned building, or other outdoor areas).
- 2. **MCO Member Eligibility Requirements:** Members who are experiencing homelessness or are precariously housed and being seen for this medical visit outside of the four walls of a clinic.
- 3. **Covered Services:** HCA will allow and reimburse street medicine services that can be appropriately provided/administered in their street environment. Services must be provided which may include:
  - Health Screenings including STIs and Hepatitis C.
  - Diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases, including primary care with an attributed panel.

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- Substance use disorder treatment, including Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT).
- Behavioral health treatment, including psychiatry care, therapy services, and the use of long acting injectables.
- Wound care.
- Blood draws and other specimen collection for lab testing.
- Case management services including reimbursable social work services, CHW services, and peer support worker services.

## 4. **Billing**:

a. CMS 1500: Enter place of service "27" in block 24B.



5. This supplement is effective the date of issuance of this directive

This Supplement will sunset in the New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC) 8.310.2 General Benefits.

Please contact the Medical Assistance Division at MADInfo.HCA@hca.nm.gov if you have any questions regarding this supplement.

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