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After Hours and Weekend Care

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DESCRIPTION:

Truli for Health may provide additional reimbursement for physicians for seeing patients that may otherwise be required to seek care in emergency room or urgent care settings. This policy describes the reimbursement for after hours and weekend care in addition to basic services provided in the office setting.

REIMBURSEMENT INFORMATION:

Truli for Health will provide compensation to physicians for after hours and weekend care provided in an office setting for CPT® code 99050 and 99051, when the basic service being rendered is eligible for reimbursement. Procedures 99050 and 99051 are to be reported in addition to the basic service. Evening hours are defined as after 5:00 p.m.

CPT® codes 99053, 99056, 99058 and 99060 are not separately reimbursable and are considered included in the allowance of other services.

CPT® codes 99050 and 99051 were designed as codes for use by physicians to obtain reimbursement for having an office open to render services after regularly scheduled office hours or during scheduled evening, weekend, or holiday office hours. Therefore, these codes are not reimbursed when submitted with Virtual Visits.

BILLING/CODING INFORMATION:

The following codes may be used to report after hours and weekend care:

CPT® Coding

99050	Services provided in the office at times other than regularly scheduled office hours, or days when the office is normally closed (eg, holidays, Saturday or Sunday), in addition to basic service
99051	Service(s) provided in the office during regular scheduled evening, weekend, or holiday office hours, in addition to basic service
99053	Service(s) provided between 10:00 PM and 8:00 AM at 24-hour facility, in addition to basic service
99056	Service(s) typically provided in the office, provided out of the office at request of patient, in addition to basic service
99058	Service(s) provided on an emergency basis in the office, which disrupts other scheduled office services, in addition to basic service
99060	Service(s) provided on an emergency basis, out of the office, which disrupts other scheduled office services, in addition to basic service

RELATED MEDICAL COVERAGE GUIDELINES OR PAYMENT POLICIES:

B-Status Codes 10-004
Virtual Visits 20-069

REFERENCES:

1. American Medical Association, *Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®), Professional Edition*
2. CMS, Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Relative Value File
<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/PhysicianFeeSched/PFS-Relative-Value-Files.html>

GUIDELINE UPDATE INFORMATION

03/17/22	Annual Review – no changes
03/09/23	Annual Review – References reviewed and updated.
03/14/24	Annual Review – References reviewed and updated.

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