

PROVIDER Bulletin



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Marriage and Family Therapists & Mental Health Counselors 2024 Claims

Dear Provider,

Effective January 1, 2024, Marriage and Family Therapists (MFTs) and Mental Health Counselors (MHCS) can bill Medicare independently for their services furnished for the diagnosis and treatment of mental illnesses. As a result, Kern Health Systems (KHS) will require Medicare explanation of benefits (EOB) for dates of service on January 1, 2024, and forward.

For more information regarding Provider Medicare Enrollment, please visit the link below:

- <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/fee-schedules/physician-fee-schedule/marriage-and-family-therapists-mental-health-counselors>

KHS posts all bulletins on the KHS website, www.kernfamilyhealthcare.com, choose Provider, then Bulletins.

For any questions, please contact your Provider Relations Representative at 1-800-391-2000.

Sincerely,

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