

Appendix C: Place of Service (POS) Codes

Payment Policies for Healthcare Services

Provided to Injured Workers and Crime Victims

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Updates and corrections

An annual update of the entire payment policies and fee schedules (MARFS) is published routinely to coincide with the beginning of each state fiscal year (July 1).

Throughout the year, updates and corrections may be needed to modify existing policies and fees or create new ones. Updated and corrected information supersedes the policies in MARFS. Look for possible <u>updates and corrections</u> to these payment policies and fee schedules on L&I's website.

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General information

Place of service (POS) codes are two-digit codes that describe the location where the service(s) were rendered.

These codes must be included on professional bills. Bills without a POS code will be processed at the **RBRVS** rate for facility settings, which could result in lower payment.

This appendix is not a comprehensive list of all POS codes. For the most updated list of POS codes and their full descriptions, see <u>CMS Place of Service Code Set</u>.

POS codes in this appendix are listed numerically by code number. Description and payment rate are included with each code.

Place of Service codes

Professional services billed with the following place of service (POS) codes will be paid at either the facility or non-facility rate based on the table below.

Bill using this 2-digit place of service code	If the place of service description is	And the payment rate will be
01 - Pharmacy	A facility or location where drugs and other medically related items and services are sold, dispensed or otherwise provided directly to patients	Non-facility
02 - Telehealth provided other than in patient's home	The location where health services and health related services are provided or received, through telecommunication technology. Patient is not located in their home when receiving health services or health related services through telecommunication technology.	Facility
03 - School	A facility whose primary purpose is education.	Non-facility
04 - Homeless Shelter	A facility or location whose primary purpose is to provide temporary housing to homeless individuals (e.g., emergency shelters, individual or family shelters.)	Non-facility
05 - Indian Health Service Free-Standing Facility	A facility or location, owned and operated by the Indian Health Service, which provides diagnostic, therapeutic (surgical and nonsurgical) and rehabilitation services to American Indians and Alaska Natives who do not require hospitalization.	Facility
06 - Indian Health Service Provider- based Facility	A facility or location, owned and operated by the Indian Health Service, which provides diagnostic, therapeutic (surgical and nonsurgical) and rehabilitation services rendered by, or under the supervision of, physicians to American Indians and Alaska Natives admitted as inpatients or outpatients.	Facility

Bill using this 2-digit place of service code	If the place of service description is	And the payment rate will be
07 - Tribal 638 Free- Standing Facility	A facility or location owned and operated by a federally recognized American Indian or Alaska Native tribe or tribal organization under a 638 agreement, which provides diagnostic, therapeutic (surgical and nonsurgical) and rehabilitation services to tribal members who do not require hospitalization.	Facility
08 - Tribal 638 Provider-Based Facility	A facility or location owned and operated by a federally recognized American Indian or Alaska Native tribe or tribal organization under a 638 agreement, which provides diagnostic, therapeutic (surgical and nonsurgical) and rehabilitation services to tribal members admitted as inpatients or outpatients.	Facility
09 - Prison/Correctional Facility	A prison, jail, reformatory, work farm, detention center or any other similar facility maintained by either federal, state or local authorities for the purpose of confinement or rehabilitation of adult or juvenile criminal offenders.	Non-facility
10 - Telehealth provided in patient's home	The location where health services and health related services are provided or received through telecommunication technology. Patient is located in their home (which is a location other than a hospital or other facility where the patient receives care in a private residence) when receiving health services or health related services through telecommunication technology.	Non-facility
11 - Office	Location, other than a hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility (SNon-facility), military treatment facility, community health center, state or local public health clinic, or intermediate care facility (ICF), where the health professional routinely provides health examinations, diagnosis, and treatment of illness or injury on an ambulatory basis.	Non-facility

Bill using this 2-digit place of service code	If the place of service description is	And the payment rate will be
12 - Home	Location, other than a hospital or other facility, where the patient receives care in a private residence.	Non-facility
13 - Assisted Living Facility	Congregate residential facility with self-contained living units providing assessment of each resident's needs and on-site support 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with the capacity to deliver or arrange for services including some health care and other services.	Non-facility
14 - Group Home	A residence, with shared living areas, where clients receive supervision and other services such as social and/or behavioral services, custodial service, and minimal services (e.g., medication administration).	Non-facility
15 - Mobile Unit	A facility/unit that moves from place-to-place equipped to provide preventive, screening, diagnostic and/or treatment services. The appropriate POS code for services provided in a mobile unit varies. For details, see Chapter 23: Telehealth , Remote, and Mobile Services.	Non-facility
16 - Temporary Lodging	A short-term accommodation such as a hotel, camp ground, hostel, cruise ship or resort where the patient receives care, and which is not identified by any other POS code.	Non-facility
17 - Walk-in Retail Health Clinic	Location, distinct from a hospital emergency room, an office, or a clinic, whose purpose is to diagnose and treat illness or injury for unscheduled, ambulatory patients seeking immediate medical attention.	Non-facility

Bill using this 2-digit place of service code	If the place of service description is	And the payment rate will be
19 - Outpatient Hospital - Off Campus	A portion of an off-campus hospital provider based department which provides diagnostic, therapeutic (both surgical and nonsurgical), and rehabilitation services to sick or injured persons who do not require hospitalization or institutionalization.	Facility
20 - Urgent Care Facility	Location, distinct from a hospital emergency room, an office or a clinic, whose purpose is to diagnose and treat illness or injury for unscheduled, ambulatory patients seeking immediate medical attention.	Non-facility
21 - Inpatient Hospital	A facility, other than psychiatric, which primarily provides diagnostic, therapeutic (both surgical and nonsurgical) and rehabilitation services by, or under the supervision of, physicians to patients admitted for a variety of medical conditions.	Facility
22 - Outpatient Hospital	A portion of a hospital which provides diagnostic, therapeutic (both surgical and nonsurgical) and rehabilitation services to sick or injured persons who do not require hospitalization or institutionalization.	Facility
23 - Emergency Room- Hospital	A portion of a hospital where emergency diagnosis and treatment of illness or injury is provided.	Facility
24 - Ambulatory Surgery Center	A freestanding facility, other than a physician's office, where surgical and diagnostic services are provided on an ambulatory basis.	Facility
25 - Birthing Center	A facility, other than a hospital's maternity facilities or a physician's office, which provides a setting for labor, delivery and immediate post-partum care as well as immediate care of newborn infants.	Facility

Bill using this 2-digit place of service code	If the place of service description is	And the payment rate will be
26 - Military Treatment Facility	A medical facility operated by one or more of the Uniformed Services. Military Treatment Facility (MTF) also refers to certain former U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) facilities now designated as Uniformed Service Treatment Facilities (USTF).	Facility
31 - Skilled Nursing Facility	A facility which primarily provides inpatient skilled nursing care and related services to patients who require medical, nursing or rehabilitative services but does not provide the level of care or treatment available in a hospital.	Facility
32 - Nursing Facility	A facility which primarily provides to residents skilled nursing care and related services for the rehabilitation of injured, disabled, or sick persons, or, on a regular basis, health-related care services above the level of custodial care to other than individuals with intellectual disabilities.	Non-facility
33 - Custodial Care Facility	A facility which provides room, board and other personal assistance services, generally on a long-term basis, and which does not include a medical component.	Non-facility
34 - Hospice	A facility, other than a patient's home, in which palliative and supportive care for terminally ill patients and their families are provided.	Facility
41 - Ambulance-Land	A land vehicle specifically designed, equipped and staffed for lifesaving and transporting the sick or injured.	Facility
42 - Ambulance-Air or Water	An air or water vehicle specifically designed, equipped and staffed for lifesaving and transporting the sick or injured.	Facility

Bill using this 2-digit place of service code	If the place of service description is	And the payment rate will be
49 - Independent Clinic	A location, not part of a hospital and not described by any other Place of Service code, that is organized and operated to provide preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative or palliative services to outpatients only.	Non-facility
50 - Federally Qualified Health Center	A facility located in a medically underserved area that provides Medicare beneficiaries preventive primary medical care under the general direction of a physician.	Non-facility
51 - Inpatient Psychiatric Facility	A facility that provides inpatient psychiatric services for the diagnosis and treatment of mental illness on a 24-hour basis, by or under the supervision of a physician.	Facility
52 - Psychiatric Facility- Partial Hospitalization	A facility for the diagnosis and treatment of mental illness that provides a planned therapeutic program for patients who do not require full time hospitalization, but who need broader programs than are possible from outpatient visits to a hospital-based or hospital-affiliated facility.	Facility
53 - Community Mental Health Center	A facility that provides the following services: outpatient services, including specialized outpatient services for children, the elderly, individuals who are chronically ill, and residents of the CMHC's mental health services area who have been discharged from inpatient treatment at a mental health facility; 24 hour emergency care services; day treatment, other partial hospitalization services, or psychosocial rehabilitation services; screening for patients being considered for admission to state mental health facilities to determine the appropriateness of such admission; and consultation and education services.	Non-facility

Bill using this 2-digit place of service code	If the place of service description is	And the payment rate will be
54 - Intermediate Care Facility/Individuals with intellectual disabilities	A facility which primarily provides health-related care and services above the level of custodial care to individuals with intellectual disabilities but does not provide the level of care or treatment available in a hospital or SNF.	Non-facility
55 - Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facility	A facility which provides treatment for substance (alcohol and drug) abuse to live-in residents who do not require acute medical care. Services include individual and group therapy and counseling, family counseling, laboratory tests, drugs and supplies, psychological testing, and room and board.	Non-facility
56 - Psychiatric Residential Treatment Center	A facility or distinct part of a facility for psychiatric care which provides a total 24-hour therapeutically planned and professionally staffed group living and learning environment.	Facility
57 - Non-residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facility	A location which provides treatment for substance (alcohol and drug) abuse on an ambulatory basis. Services include individual and group therapy and counseling, family counseling, laboratory tests, drugs and supplies, and psychological testing.	Non-facility
60 - Mass Immunization Center	A location where providers administer pneumococcal pneumonia and influenza virus vaccinations and submit these services as electronic media claims, paper claims, or using the roster billing method. This generally takes place in a mass immunization setting, such as, a public health center, pharmacy, or mall but may include a physician office setting.	Non-facility

Bill using this 2-digit place of service code	If the place of service description is	And the payment rate will be
61 - Comprehensive Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility	A facility that provides comprehensive rehabilitation services under the supervision of a physician to inpatients with physical disabilities. Services include physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology, social or psychological services, and orthotics and prosthetics services.	Facility
62 - Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility	A facility that provides comprehensive rehabilitation services under the supervision of a physician to outpatients with physical disabilities. Services include physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech pathology services.	Facility
65 - End Stage Renal Disease Treatment Facility	A facility other than a hospital, which provides dialysis treatment, maintenance, and/or training to patients or caregivers on an ambulatory or homecare basis.	Non-facility
71 - State or Local Public Health Clinic	A facility maintained by either state or local health departments that provides ambulatory primary medical care under the general direction of a physician.	Non-facility
72 - Rural Health Clinic	A certified facility which is located in a rural medically underserved area that provides ambulatory primary medical care under the general direction of a physician.	Non-facility
81 - Independent Laboratory	A laboratory certified to perform diagnostic and/or clinical tests independent of an institution or a physician's office.	Non-facility
99 - Other Place of Service	Other place of service not identified above.	Facility

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