



CABINET FOR HEALTH
AND FAMILY SERVICES

Community Health Workers
Empowering Communities, Improving Health

Discussion Outline

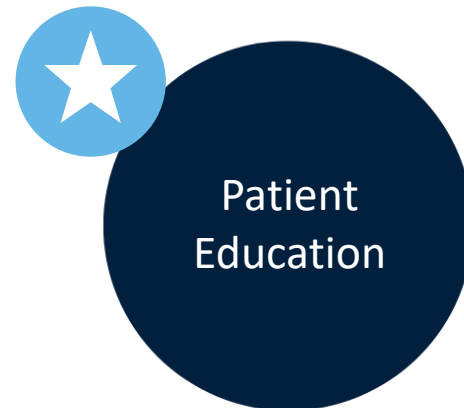
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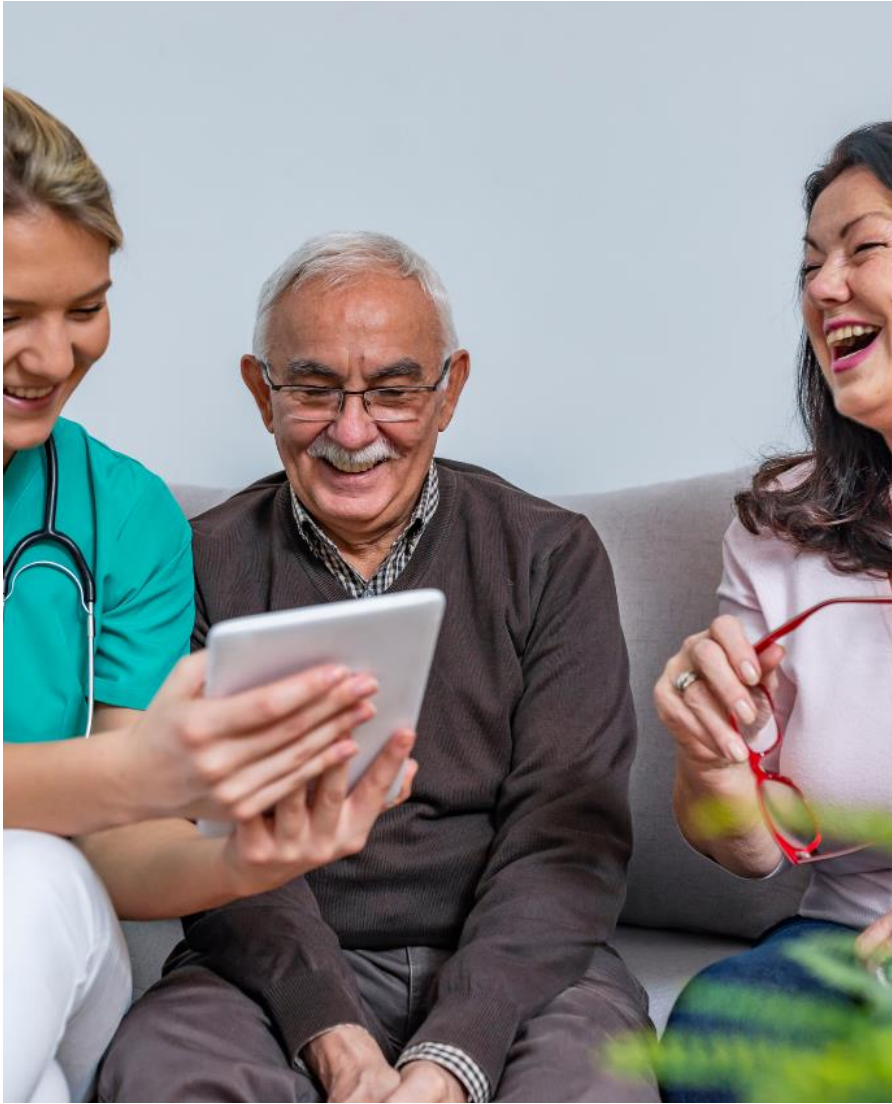


Qualifications for CHWs

- Be a legal United States resident
- Be employed as a community health worker in the state of Kentucky
- Be at least eighteen (18) years of age
- Meet and maintain the certification or recertification requirements

Services a CHW can provide





Health Navigation and Resource Coordination

- Find Medicaid providers to receive a covered service.
- Make an appointment for a Medicaid covered service.
- Arrange transportation to a medical appointment.
- Attend an appointment with the recipient for a covered service.
- Help a recipient find other relevant community resources such as support groups.

Health education and training



Immunizations



Manage Blood Pressure



Manage STDs



Diabetes Management



Control toxic Agents



Occupational Safety



Accident Prevention

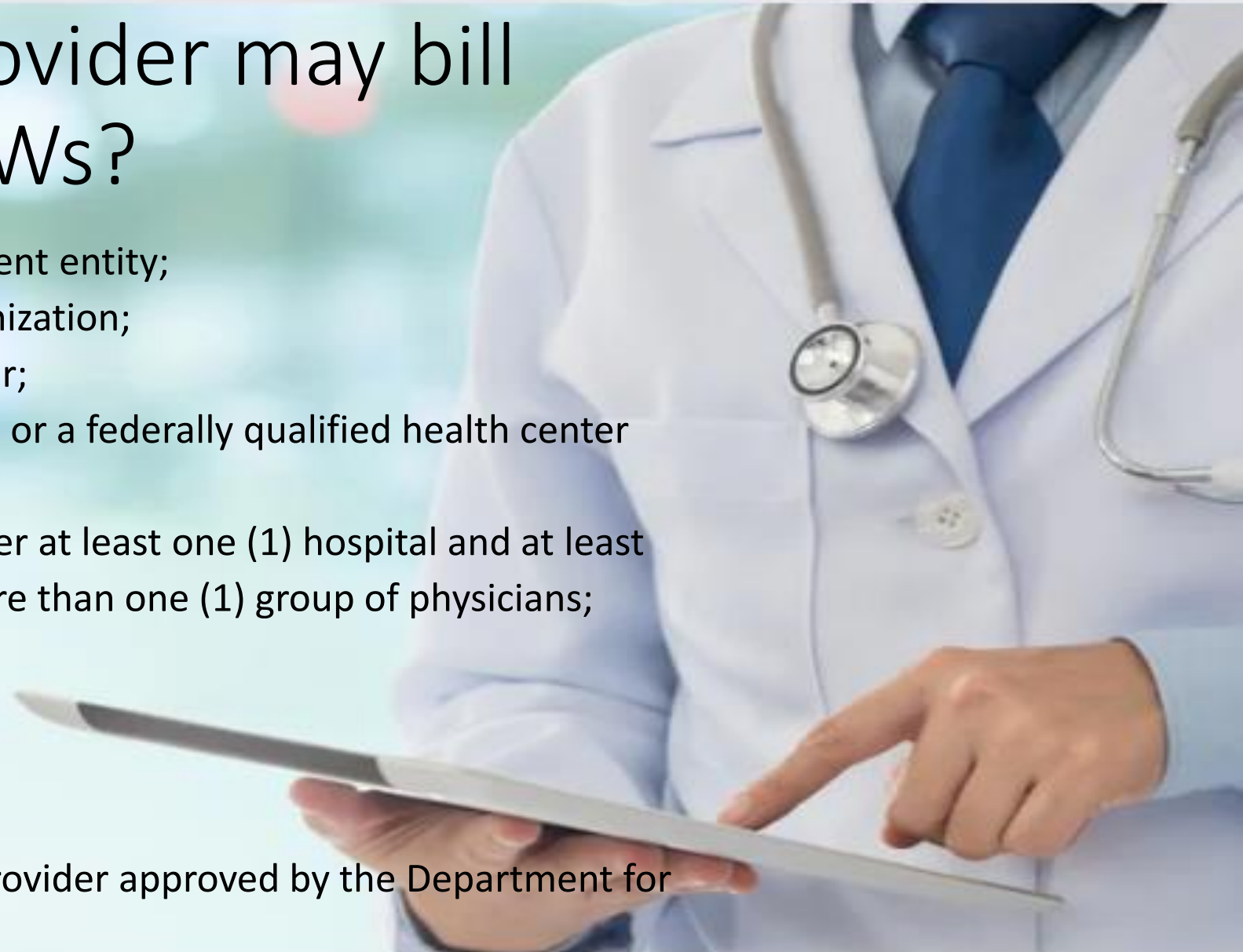
Health promotion and coaching

- Cessation of tobacco use.
- Reduction in the misuse of alcohol or drugs.
- Improvement in nutrition.
- Improvement of physical fitness.
- Family planning.
- Control of stress.
- Pregnancy and infant care, including prevention of fetal alcohol syndrome.



What Type of Provider may bill Medicaid for CHWs?

- An alcohol and other drug treatment entity;
- A behavioral health services organization;
- A community mental health center;
- A federally qualified health center or a federally qualified health center look-alike;
- A health system consisting of either at least one (1) hospital and at least one (1) group of physicians or more than one (1) group of physicians;
- A hospital;
- A local health department;
- A primary care clinic;
- A rural health clinic; or
- Another Medicaid participating provider approved by the Department for Medicaid Services.



Other Requirements for CHWs

Cannot enroll as independent Medicaid participating providers.

Must be related to a medical intervention outlined in individual's care plan.

There will be no reimbursement for a CHW that:

- Is paid by federal funds.
- Reimbursement is included in a per diem or cost settlement type payment.
- Is employed by a Managed Care organization (MCO).

CHWs are not eligible for WRAP payments.

CPT98960

- 1 Patient
- \$22.53 per 30-minute increment

CPT 98961

- 2-4 patients
- \$10.88 per patient, per 30-minute increment

CPT 98962

- 5-8 patients
- \$8.03 per patient, per 30-minute increment

Billing Codes for CHWs

Misc. Information



MCOs will reimburse for CHWs and may hire their own CHWs



Fee-for-Service Medicaid will reimburse for CHWs

**Thank you for allowing
me to share information
about the important role
of community health
workers in improving
access to health care in
our communities.**



Let's Connect!

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