



**TO: ARTICLE 29-I VFCA HEALTH FACILITY PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS**

**RE: 29-I Health Facility Billing Manual Update - Procedure Code 98016**

**IMPACTED PLANS: MEDICAID and HIV SNP**

Dear MetroPlusHealth Provider,

**Effective as of January 1, 2025**, the Office of Mental Health has released notice to the 29-I Health Facility Billing Manual, to support the recent American Medical Association (AMA) coding update.

Procedure code 98016 has been added to the allowable billing code for Article 29-I VFCA Health facilities. This code is billable in combination with rate code 4594 and modifiers "U9" and "UC" as noted in below table.

Rate Code	Unit Limit per Rate Code	Rate Code Description	
4594	12 units/day	Office Visit	
Billing Unit Measure: 15 minutes			
Service Description		Modifier	Procedure Code
Brief communication technology-based service (e.g., virtual check-in) by a physician or other qualified health care professional who can report evaluation and management services, provided to an established patient, not originating from a related evaluation and management service provided within the previous 7 days nor leading to an evaluation and management service or procedure within the next 24 hours or soonest available appointment, 8-10 minutes of medical discussion. Do not report 98016 in conjunction with 98000-98015. Do not report services of less than 8 minutes of medical discussion. This is a patient-initiated service.		U9, SC	98016

**Please refer** to the links below for more information.

- 29-I Health Facility Billing Manual (Version 2025-1) - ([Web](#)) - ([PDF](#)) - January 2025

If you have any questions regarding this memo, please contact MetroPlusHealth at:  
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Thank you.

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