

# ProviderAlert

**To:** Select Health of South Carolina Therapeutic Foster Care Providers

**From:** Select Health Provider Network Management

**Date:** May 4, 2020

**Subject:** COVID-19 Telehealth/Telemedicine flexibilities for Child Placing Agencies

*The information provided herein is reflective of the applicable South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) guidance as of the date of issuance. Providers should continue to check the SCDHHS COVID-19 website at: <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/covid19/> for further updates and modifications to practice and billing requirements given the evolving situation surrounding this pandemic.*

In accordance with SCDHHS guidance, Select Health will be extending additional telehealth/telemedicine flexibilities to providers affiliated with child-placing agencies (CPAs) who are providing rehabilitative behavioral health services during the COVID-19 health emergency.

Effective for dates of service on or after March 28, 2020, Select Health will reimburse for diagnostic assessments completed via telehealth/telemedicine, when services are conducted on behalf of a CPA, for the duration of the COVID-19 health emergency.

Billable Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes for these services are:

- 90791 - Psychiatric diagnostic evaluations without medical services.
- H0031 - Mental health assessment, by non-physician.

Select Health will also reimburse for family support services completed via telehealth/telemedicine, regardless of the licensure type of the provider, when affiliated with a CPA for up to 4 units/day.

Billable CPT code:

- S9482 - Family stabilization services, per 15 minutes.

Providers should use a "GT" modifier when billing the above codes if services are provided via telehealth/telemedicine and should reference the applicable SCDHHS provider manual for other modifiers or coding guidance for these services.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the care of our First Choice members.