

510.605 Waiver of certain telehealth requirements.

(a) Waiver of the geographic site requirements. Except for the geographic site requirements for a face-to-face encounter for home health certification, CMS waives the geographic site requirements of section 1834(m)(4)(C)(i)(I) through (III) of the Act for episodes being tested in the CJR model, but only for services that -

- (1) May be furnished via telehealth under existing requirements; and
- (2) Are included in the episode in accordance with § 510.200(b).

(b) Waiver of the originating site requirements. Except for the originating site requirements for a face-to-face encounter for home health certification, CMS waives the originating site requirements under section 1834(m)(4)(C)(ii)(I) through (VIII) of the Act for episodes being tested in the CJR model to permit a telehealth visit to originate in the beneficiary's home or place of residence, but only for services that -

- (1) May be furnished via telehealth under existing requirements; and
- (2) Are included in the CJR episode in accordance with § 510.200(b).

(c) Waiver of selected payment provisions. (1) CMS waives the payment requirements under section 1834(m)(2)(A) so that the facility fee normally paid by Medicare to an originating site for a telehealth service is not paid if the service is originated in the beneficiary's home or place of residence.

(2) CMS waives the payment requirements under section 1834(m)(2)(B) of the Act to allow the distant site payment for telehealth home visit HCPCS codes unique to this model.

(d) Other requirements. All other requirements for Medicare coverage and payment of telehealth services continue to apply, including the list of specific services approved to be furnished by telehealth.