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## **Attention Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) Billing Encounter Codes Under Fee-For-Service (FFS) Medicaid**

The Behavioral Health Benefits Coverage (BHBC) unit of the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) will be presenting updated language for Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 2900 (Federally Qualified Health Centers [FQHC]) at a public hearing on January 30, 2024.

The updated language will clarify the ability of Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Interns (LMFT-I) and Licensed Clinical Social Worker Interns (LCSW-I), also known as Licensed Master Social Work (LMSW) Post-Graduate Interns, to deliver services appropriately under the Mental/Behavioral Health encounter codes G0469 (New Patient Mental Health Visit) and G0470 (Establish Patient Mental Health Visit).

In addition to FQHC policy updates, DHCFP is moving forward with the requirement of shadow billing for all FQHC Fee-For-Service (FFS) encounters, including medical and dental services. The implementation for shadow billing is expected to be active after July 1, 2024. Providers are encouraged to begin configuring their Electronic Health Record (EHR) systems to manage this requirement. Further guidance on the project will be provided to impacted providers through future web announcements.

For further information on the public hearing schedule, please visit DHCFP's Public Notices webpage at: <https://dhcfp.nv.gov/Public/AdminSupport/PublicNotices/>.

For questions and additional information on the policy updates, contact the Behavioral Health Benefits Coverage (BHBC) unit by sending an email to: [BehavioralHealth@dhcfp.nv.gov](mailto:BehavioralHealth@dhcfp.nv.gov).