



## Medical Nutrition Therapy Added to the Article 29-I VFCA Health Facilities

In accordance with the approved Medicaid State Plan Amendment:

- Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) has been added to the Article 29-I VFCA Health Facilities (29-I) Other Limited Health Related Services (OLHRS) Fee Schedule.
- 29-I Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) must be provided by a Registered Dietician (RD), a Certified Nutritionist (CN), or a Certified Dietician-Nutritionist (CDN).
- Eligible 29-I providers can submit claims for this service starting **9/26/2023**, for appropriate adjudication. \*
- Billing for 29-I Nutritional Services must follow the guidance in the 29-I Health Facility Billing Manual.
  - Required billing codes for 29-I Nutritional Services are as follows:

Rate Code Unit Limit Per	Rate Code	Rate Code Description
4685	N/A	Medical Nutrition Therapy
<b>Billing Unit Measure:</b> 15 minutes		
Service Description	Modifier	Procedure Code
Initial assessment and intervention, individual, face to face with the patient, each 15 minutes	U9, SC	97802
Medical Nutrition Therapy follow-up, reassessment, and intervention, individual, face to face with the patient, each 15 minutes	U9, SC	97803

\*Claims for 29-I MNT services rendered prior to July 1, 2022, are not eligible for payment.

# Provider Alert

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For additional guidance, please refer to:

- [29-I Health Facility Billing Manual \(Version 2023-2\) - \(PDF\) - September 2023](#)
- [29-I Health Facility FAQ - UPDATE - September 2023 \(PDF\)](#)
- [29-I Other Limited Health Related Services \(OLHRS\) Fee Schedule](#)

## Questions?

If you have questions, please contact your Network Account Manager, or call Provider Services at **1-888-801-1660**, Monday to Friday, 8:30am–5:30pm.

\*Please note, the MNT billing information in this alert (rate code, service codes and modifiers) is not listed in the current version of the 29-I billing manual linked above, however, NYS DOH is expected to provide updated guidance with these details. The link will be updated upon receipt.