



April 20, 2020

In response to the COVID 19 national emergency, the Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) is providing billing guidance to Hospitals and Physicians who are providing treatment and services at alternative off campus overflow locations.

DCH is utilizing Place of Service (POS) code 16 along with the following billing guidance to identify services delivered in an alternative off campus setting. This guidance applies specifically to services rendered in an off campus alternative overflow location (e.g., Georgia World Congress Center or other identified overflow locations).

Place of Service (POS) code 16 is a short-term solution to be utilized during the COVID-19 emergency when a patient receives care in a location that is *otherwise not identified by any other POS code*. Please note that Place of Service (POS) code 16 may **NOT** be utilized on a UB04 claim form. As noted below, Place of Service (POS) code 16 **MUST** be utilized in conjunction with a professional claim for services rendered in an off campus alternative setting.

Hospital Providers

- UB04 Claim form
- Type of Bill (013X)
- Bill condition codes: **DR -Disaster Related**. In addition to billing the “DR” condition code, hospitals may also utilize the following condition codes:
 - **Condition 36 - General Care Patient in a Special Unit**
 - **Condition 55 - Bed Not Available**
- Bill any of following Diagnosis codes
 - **U07.1 - Acute Respiratory Disease Confirmed**
 - **U07.2 - Acute Respiratory Disease Suspected or Probable**
- Additionally, the following diagnosis codes may be billed
 - **Z03.818 – Encounter for Observation for Suspected Exposure to other Biological Agents Ruled Out**
 - **Z20.828 – Contact with and (SUSPECTED) Exposure to other Viral Communicable Diseases**
 - **B97.29 – Other Coronavirus as the Cause of Diseases Classified Elsewhere (DOS prior to April 1, 2020)**

- Physician Providers

- 1500 Claim Form
- Bill any of following Diagnosis codes



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- Place of Service code (**16 – Other Lodging**)

If you have questions related to the billing of COVID 19 treatment and services at Alternative Sites, or place of service (POS) code 16, please contact the DXC Technology Provider Contact Center at 1-800-766-4456 and/or your assigned Provider DXC Representative.

Thank you for your continued participation in the Georgia Medicaid program.