



**Enhanced Care Management and In Lieu of Services
Coding Options
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Encounter Data Submission Process

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) requires Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plans (MCP) to submit encounter data in accordance with requirements in the MCP contract and All Plan Letter 14-019, or any subsequent updates. For Enhanced Care Management (ECM) and In Lieu of Services (ILOS), MCPs will be required to submit encounter data for these services through the existing encounter data reporting mechanisms for all covered services for which they have incurred any financial liability, whether directly or through subcontracts or other arrangements, using ASC X12 837 version 5010 x223 Institutional and Professional transactions or NCPDP 2.2 or 4.2 transactions and the new ECM and ILOS coding requirements outlined in this document, to the Post Adjudicated Claims and Encounters System (PACES) beginning on January 1, 2022.

Enhanced Care Management – Coding Options

The following Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes must be used for ECM services. The HCPCS code and modifier combined define the service as ECM. As an example, HCPCS code G9008 by itself does not define the service as an ECM In-Person service. HCPCS code G9008 must be reported with modifier U1 for the care coordination service to be defined and categorized as an ECM service. If a service is provided through telehealth, the additional modifier GQ must be used. All telehealth services must be provided in accordance with DHCS policy.¹

HCPCS Level II Code	HCPCS Description	Modifier	Modifier Description
G9008 ²	ECM In-Person: Provided by Clinical Staff. Coordinated care fee, physician coordinated care oversight services.	U1	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code G9008 to indicate Enhanced Care Management services
G9008	ECM Phone/Telehealth: Provided by Clinical Staff. Coordinated care fee, physician coordinated care oversight services.	U1	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code G9008 to indicate Enhanced Care Management services

¹ For more information refer to the DHCS [Medi-Cal Provider Manuals](#)

² DHCS is seeking clarification on coding requirements for non-physician clinical care coordination and will provide subsequent guidance once clarified.

G9008	ECM In-Person: Provided by Non-Clinical Staff. Coordinated care fee, physician coordinated care oversight services.	U2	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code G9008 to indicate Enhanced Care Management services
G9008	ECM Phone/Telehealth: Provided by Non-Clinical Staff. Coordinated care fee, physician coordinated care oversight services.	U2	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code G9008 to indicate Enhanced Care Management services

In Lieu of Services – Coding Options

The following HCPCS codes must be used for In ILOS services. The HCPCS code and modifier combined define the service as ILOS. As an example, HCPCS code H0043 by itself does not define the service as an ILOS supportive housing service. HCPCS code H0043 must be reported with modifier U6 for the supported housing services to be defined and categorized as an ILOS service. If a service is provided through telehealth, the additional modifier GQ must be used. All telehealth services must be provided in accordance with DHCS policy.³

HCPCS Level II Code	HCPCS Description	Modifier	Modifier Description
Housing Transition/Navigation Services			
H0043	Supported housing; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code H0043 to indicate In-Lieu of Services supported housing
H2016	Comprehensive community support services; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code H2016 to indicate In-Lieu of Services comprehensive community support services
Housing Deposits			
H0044	Support housing, per month. Would require actual deposit amounts to be reported on the encounter. Modifier would be used to differentiate housing deposits from short term post hospitalization housing.	U2	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code H0044 to indicate In-Lieu of Services housing deposit

³ For more information refer to the DHCS [Medi-Cal Provider Manuals](#)

Housing Tenancy and Sustaining Services⁴			
T2040	Financial management, self-directed; per 15 minutes	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T2040 to indicate In-Lieu of Services housing tenancy and sustaining services
T2041	Support brokerage, self-directed; per 15 minutes	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T2041 to indicate In-Lieu of Services housing tenancy and sustaining services
Short-term Post-Hospitalization Housing			
H0044	Support housing, per month. Modifier used to differentiate short term post hospitalization housing from housing deposits.	U3	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code H0044 to indicate In-Lieu of Services short term post hospitalization housing
Recuperative Care (Medical Respite)			
T1002	RN services; up to 15 minutes	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T1002 to indicate In-Lieu of Services RN recuperative care services
Recuperative Care (Medical Respite)			
T2033	Residential care, not otherwise specified (NOS), waiver; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T2033 to indicate In-Lieu of Services residential recuperative care not otherwise specified
Respite			
H0045	Respite care services, not in the home, per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code H0045 to indicate In-Lieu of Services respite care not in the home
S5151	Unskilled respite care, not hospice; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code S5151 to indicate In-Lieu of Services unskilled respite care not in hospice
S9125	Respite care, in the home; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code S9125 to indicate In-Lieu of Services respite care in the home
Day Habilitation Programs			
T2012	Habilitation, educational; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T2012 to indicate In-Lieu of Services day habilitation, educational

⁴ DHCS has requested CMS designate per diem codes for housing tenancy and sustaining services. Once available, the codes will be added to this table.

T2014	Habilitation, prevocational; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T2014 to indicate In-Lieu of Services day habilitation, prevocational
T2018	Habilitation, supported employment; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T2018 to indicate In-Lieu of Services day habilitation, supported employment
T2020	Day habilitation; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T2020 to indicate In-Lieu of Services day habilitation
H2014	Skills training and development; per 15 minutes ⁵	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code H2014 to indicate In-Lieu of Services day habilitation skilled training and development
H2024	Supported employment; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code H2024 to indicate In-Lieu of Services day habilitation, supported employment
H2026	Ongoing support to maintain employment; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code H2026 to indicate In-Lieu of Services day habilitation, ongoing support to maintain employment
Nursing Facility Transition/Diversion to Assisted Living Facilities			
T2038	Community transition; per service	U4	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T2038 to indicate In-Lieu of Services nursing facility transition to an assisted living facility
Nursing Facility Transition to a Home			
T2038	Community transition; per service	U5	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T2038 to indicate In-Lieu of Services nursing facility transition to a home
Personal Care/Homemaker Services			
S5131	Homemaker services; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code S5131 to indicate In-Lieu of Services homemaker services

⁵ DHCS has requested CMS designate per diem codes for skills training. Once available, the codes will be added to this table.

T1020	Personal care services; per diem	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code T1020 to indicate In-Lieu of Services personal care services
Environmental Accessibility Adaptations			
S5165	Home modifications; per service	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code S5165 to indicate In-Lieu of Services accessibility adaptations/home modifications
Meals/Medically Tailored Meals			
S9434	Modified solid food supplementation for inborn errors of metabolism	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code S9434 to indicate In-Lieu of Services Medically Tailored Meals - modified solid food supplementation for inborn errors of metabolism
S9435	Medical foods for inborn errors of metabolism	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code S9435 to indicate In-Lieu of Services Medically Tailored Meals - medical foods for inborn errors of metabolism
S9977	Meals; per diem, not otherwise specified	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code S9977 to indicate In-Lieu of Services Medically Tailored Meals
Sobering Centers			
H0014	Alcohol and/or drug services; ambulatory detoxification	U6	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code H0014 to indicate In-Lieu of Services sobering centers alcohol and/or drug services; ambulatory detoxification services
Asthma Remediation			
S5165	Home modifications; per service	U5	Used by Managed Care with HCPCS code S5165 to indicate In-Lieu of Services asthma remediation