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Community Paramedicine

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- Medicaid Services Manual Chapter 600, Section 604
- Provider Qualifications
 - Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
 - Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT)
 - Paramedic
 - Community Paramedic
 - An endorsement for community paramedicine must have been obtained from the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services, or from the Southern Nevada Health District's Board of Health
 - Providers must be employed by a permitted Emergency Medical System (EMS) agency
 - A scope of service agreement, based upon the provider's skills, is required through the medical director of the EMS agency which they are employed
 - Both the community paramedic and the medical director of the EMS agency providing community paramedicine services must be enrolled in Nevada Medicaid

- **Scope of Service**
 - Community paramedicine services fill patient care gaps in local health care systems and prevent duplication of services while improving the health care experience for the recipient
 - Services are delivered according to a recipient-specific plan of care under the supervision of a Nevada-licensed primary care provider (PCP). The PCP consults with the EMS agency service's medical director to coordinate the care plan
- **Covered Services**
 - Evaluation/health assessments; chronic disease prevention, monitoring, and education; medication compliance; immunizations and vaccinations; point of care laboratory tests and laboratory specimen collection; hospital discharge follow-up care; home safety inspections; minor medical procedures and treatments; and, telehealth originating site
- **Non-Covered Services**
 - Travel time; mileage; services related to a hospital-acquired condition or treatment; Emergency response; duplicated services; and, personal care services
- **Services do not require a prior authorization**

- Community Paramedicine Policy was implemented July 1, 2016.
- Board of Health approved regulations for endorsement of community paramedics occurred in December 2016.
- Medicaid expenditures and utilization are not available at this time. Providers are just beginning the enrollment component now that they have the required endorsement.

- Previous enrollment trainings were held in Northern Nevada on May 2, 2016 and in Southern Nevada May 24, 2016.
 - Future enrollment trainings are being schedule for Northern and Southern Nevada again for Spring of 2017.