On March 27, 2020, Congress signed into law the CARES Act. Section 3704 authorizes Rural Health Clinics to furnish distant site telehealth services to Medicare beneficiaries during the COVID-19 PHE. Once the PHE ends, providers currently providing distant site care in RHC settings would not be reimbursed for their visits.

The current Rural Health Clinics repayment methodology and coding reimbursement model does not accurately report the work being done via telehealth at Rural Health Clinics.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- Permanently extend the “distant site” visit for all telehealth services, including Rural Health Clinics.
- Rural Health Clinics be paid their full all-inclusive rate (AIR) for distant site telehealth visits.
- Telehealth visits to be treated the same as in-person visits for cost reporting purposes.

"At UnityPoint Health, we pride ourselves on being able to serve our patients in a way that puts quality and accessibility at the forefront of their care. Using technology to transform how we reach and treat those who live in our rural communities is critical to our mission to improve access, outcomes and meet the needs of our patients—no matter where they live."

~ Dave Williams, MD  
SVP & Chief Clinical Officer  
UnityPoint Health  
President & CEO  
UnityPoint Clinic
RURAL HEALTH CLINIC LOCATIONS

**Cedar Rapids Region**
- Anamosa Family Medicine
- Anamosa Urgent Care
- Belle Plaine Family Medicine
- Clarence Family Medicine
- Monticello Family Medicine
- Shellsburg Family Medicine
- Tipton Family Medicine
- Vinton Family Medicine

**Fort Dodge Region**
- Fort Dodge Express Care
- Fort Dodge Pediatrics
- Second Ave Family Medicine
- Kenyon Road Family Medicine
- Buena Vista Family Medicine
- Eagle Grove Family Medicine
- Humboldt Family Medicine
- Laurens Family Medicine
- Manson Family Medicine
- Pocahontas Family Medicine
- Sac City Family Medicine
- Storm Lake Family Medicine
- Lake View Family Medicine

**Peoria Region**
- Chillicothe Family Medicine
- Lacon Family Medicine
- Princeville Family Medicine

**Quad Cities Region**
- Muscatine Mulberry
- Muscatine Mulberry Pediatrics
- Muscatine North Port
- Muscatine North Port Express Care
- Wilton Family Medicine

**Waterloo Region**
- Denver Family Medicine
- Marshalltown Family Medicine
- Grundy Family Medicine
- Conrad Family Medicine
- Parkersburg Family Medicine
- Waverly - Rohlf Family Medicine
- State Center Family Medicine
- Tama/Toledo Family Medicine

**Des Moines Region**
- Grinnell Family Medicine

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