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Answer to Question			
Aetna	Not Answered		
Amerigroup - DSNP	Yes 04/21/20	Provider should follow CMS and HCA guidance.	
CHPW - Medicare Advantage	Yes 04/11/20	The provider is allowed to select and bill the E&M code they would have had they been in person. Provider may select an E&M code consistent with the CMS guidance document	
Cigna	Yes 05/11/20		
Coordinated Care - Commercial			
First Choice (TPA and PPO)	Both 04/07/20		
HCA – Apple Health	Both 04/11/20	The provider is allowed to select and bill the E&M code they would have had they been in person. Provider may select an E&M code consistent with the CMS guidance document	
Medicaid FFS	Both 04/11/20		
Amerigroup	Both 04/08/20	Follow HCA guidance	
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Coordinated Care	Both 04/11/20		
Molina	Both 04/08/20		
UHC Community Plan	Both 04/22/20	Will follow CMS & HCA Guidelines	
KP-NW	Both 04/07/20		
KP-WA	Both 04/07/20		
Labor & Industries	Both 04/08/20	L&I will pay for E&M codes 99201 – 99203 delivered via telehealth based on time or medical decision making. E&M codes 99204 and 99205 are not payable when delivered via telehealth.	To determine the appropriate level of service, providers must use one of the following guidelines in conjunction with Evaluation and Management (E/M) Services Guidelines noted in CPT®: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The “1995 Documentation Guidelines for Evaluation & Management Services,” available at https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNEdWebGuide/Downloads/97Docguidelines.pdf <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The “1997 Documentation Guidelines for Evaluation and Management Services,” available at https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNEdWebGuide/Downloads/97Docguidelines.pdf

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Molina - Marketplace	Both 04/08/20		
Pacific Source	Both 04/08/20		
Premera	Both 04/07/20		
Providence	Both 06/15/20	Will follow CMS Guidelines	
Regence	Both 04/07/20		
UHC - Commercial	Both 04/22/20	Will follow CMS Guidelines	