

- MEMORANDUM -

DATE: December 30, 2020

TO: Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services (ACBH) Qualified Health Professionals, Quality Assurance Coordinators, & Billers of Specialty Mental Health Services

FROM: Karen Capece, LCSW, ACBH Quality Management Program Director 

SUBJECT: **Postponement of Changes to Evaluation and Management (E/M) Service Billing Codes and Rules**

ACBH is postponing the implementation of the new Evaluation and Management (E/M) service codes until March 1, 2021. In response to the many astute questions that were asked during the December 17, 2020 training, we will expand the PowerPoint presentation to include responses to those questions and schedule a new training session, after verification of details. The extension of the implementation date will give everyone ample time to include the new code guidelines into their settings. Please continue to utilize the existing E/M service codes, per the current guidelines.

This is an update to the memorandum issued on November 30, 2020, and titled *Immediate Action Needed- Changes to Evaluation and Management (E/M) Service Billing Codes and Rules*.

