

13.c Preventive Services continued

Community Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technician Services

Coverage of certified Community Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians is added as a preventive service as defined in 42 CFR 440.130(c), to prevent disease, disability, and other health conditions or their progression; to prolong life; and promote physical and mental health and efficiency. Community Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians are recognized as distinct certification levels and are able to provide public health, primary, and preventive care services within an individual's home or community.

Providers eligible to bill for services include:

- Community emergency medical technician;
- Community advanced emergency medical technician; and
- Community paramedic

The following component services are covered when performed by Community Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians within the scope of their practice:

- In-home assessments and chronic disease monitoring
- Post-hospital discharge follow-ups
- Medication compliance checks
- Referrals to social and mental health services
- Preventive care and health education

Services must be referred by a physician or Other Licensed Practitioner within their scope of practice according to state law. A referring practitioner may establish a standing order or protocol for recommending Community Paramedic and Emergency Medical Technician services.

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