

South Carolina Crosswalk of HealthySteps-Aligned Services with Medicaid Billing Codes and Provider

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About This Document

Have you ever wanted a list of the reimbursable HealthySteps (HS)-aligned services, paired with allowable billable providers, to assist with hiring decisions or to quickly identify “open” codes in South Carolina’s Medicaid program (Healthy Connections)? If so, this document will provide you with helpful guidance. Knowing the HS-aligned services open in South Carolina, their associated billing codes, and the professionals eligible to render and/or receive insurance carrier reimbursement for each service will assist your site in understanding potential billing opportunities and may assist you in the decision-making process when hiring a HS Specialist.

The following table outlines HS-aligned services, the service types, and the provider types that can provide and/or render the services within primary care including Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Clinics (RHCs). At the bottom of the table, you will find a tally of the number of billable codes for each provider type. In South Carolina, Licensed Clinical Psychologists can bill for the most HealthySteps-aligned service codes listed in the table below.

HealthySteps-aligned Services	Service Billing Code(s)	Licensed Clinical Psychologist	Post-Doctorate Psychologist*	Licensed Professional Counselor	Licensed Professional Counselor Associate*	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Associate*^^	Licensed Independent Social Worker-Clinical Practice	Licensed Master Social Worker
Developmental milestone survey, speech, and language delay screening (ASQ-3, PEDS, MCHAT)	96110	Only Physicians, Physician Assistants, and Nurse Practitioners are eligible to bill for this service under Healthy Connections							
Patient-focused health risk assessment instrument (ACE, CRAFFT)	96160								
Caregiver-focused health risk assessment instrument (ACE, postpartum depression screening (provided to the mom during a well-child visit, billed under her child's insurance carrier ID number during the child's 1,2-,4- and 6-month visit) and the SEEK)	96161								
Social-emotional screening (ASQ:SE, PSC, PSC-Y, PHQ-9, SCARED, Vanderbilt diagnostic rating scale)	96127								
Psychiatric diagnostic evaluation (Not recognized for reimbursement at RHCs)	90791			X		X		X	X^
Psychological testing and evaluation; 1 st hour and each additional hour (Recognized as a reimbursable behavioral/mental health service at all clinic types)	96130, 96131	X	X†						
Psychological or neuropsychological test administration and scoring; two or more tests, any method, first 30 minutes, and each additional 30 minutes (Not recognized for reimbursement at FQHCs and RHCs)	96136, 96137	X	X†						
Developmental test administration-including assessment of fine and/or gross motor, language, cognitive level, social, and memory or executive functions by standardized	96112, 96113	This service and codes are only located in the Healthy Connections physician's provider manual, under Procedure codes for Vision. Not located in any of the Healthy Connections behavioral/mental health manuals. Verification at the site level must be made with insurers to determine if these services are covered and recognized as behavioral health services.							

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developmental instruments with interpretation and report; first hour and each additional 30 minutes									
Interactive complexity	90785	X	X†	X	X^^	X	X^^	X	X^
Psychotherapy, Individual	90832, 90834, 90837	X	X†	X	X^^	X	X^^	X	X^
Family psychotherapy with patient present	90847	X	X†	X	X^^	X	X^^	X	X^
Family psychotherapy without the patient present (Not recognized for reimbursement at FQHCs and RHCs)	90846	X	X†	X	X^^	X	X^^	X	X^
Multiple family group psychotherapy (Not recognized for reimbursement at FQHCs and RHCs)	90849	X	X†	X	X^^	X	X^^	X	X^
Group psychotherapy (not multi-family group)	90853	X	X†	X	X^^	X	X^^	X	X^
Psychotherapy for crisis (Not recognized for reimbursement at RHCs)	90839	X	X†	X**	X^^	X**	X***^^	X	X^
Alcohol and/or substance abuse structured screening and brief intervention services†	99408/H0049 and 99409/H0050†	Only Physicians, Physician Assistants, and Nurse Practitioners are eligible to bill for these services.							
Smoking and tobacco use cessation counseling visit	99406, 99407								
Verification with insurers if the following services can be rendered at an FQHC and RHC must be conducted at the site level:									
Family support	S9842	X		X	X^^	X	X***^^	X	X^
Postpartum/Infant home visit and repeat visit; for mother and infant or mother only or infant only	99501	Only providers who are enrolled with Healthy Connections to provide the Postpartum/Infant Home Visit may bill for these services							
Assessment of home physical and family environment to determine suitability to meet patient's medical needs	T1028	Only providers who are enrolled with Healthy Connections to provide the Postpartum/Infant Home Visit may bill for these services							

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Medicaid Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Services (MAPPS)									
Screening to determine the appropriateness of consideration of an individual for participation in a specified program, project, or treatment protocol	T1023	Only Providers who are enrolled with Healthy Connections to provide MAPPS may bill for these services							
Patient education, not otherwise specified, non-physician provider, individual, per session	S9445, S9446								
Number of billable codes eligible for reimbursement		14	13	11	10	11	10	11	11

* Not a reimbursable behavioral health provider at Rural Health Clinics (RHCs) but is at Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs).

^ Under the supervision of a Licensed Independent Social Worker-Clinical Practice.

† Verification required if it can be done under the direct supervision of a licensed psychologist.

** Verification with insurance carriers is required.

^^ Associate can render service under the supervision of a Licensed Professional Counselor/Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist.

‡ For alcohol and/or substance abuse structured screening and brief intervention services, the service code 99408 is for 15-30 minutes, 99409 is for greater than 30 minutes, no time indication for H0049, and H0050 is per 15 minutes. Healthy Connections may prefer the reporting of H0049 and H0050 instead of 99408 and 99409. Verification with insurers is required.

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