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Working Securely from Home

Some security professionals believe that the world will soon experience the largest security breach to date. Under normal circumstances, bad actors and nations do not target a typical home user because the value of one person's data is relatively small, compared to the value of an entire organization's data. Furthermore, organizations typically have security requirements for their own devices that makes it more difficult to compromise the data. The move to 'work from home' is driving up the ROI on targeting home users because they are using less secure consumer-grade devices and networks to access organizational data. Additionally, some nations are publishing disinformation on COVID and are targeting organizations where COVID research takes place; UC being one of them. Though many SOM faculty and staff have already been working from home for over two months at this point, please take this time to review the Telework Guidelines, the Zoom Guidelines, the Notice on COVID-19 Phishing Awareness, and the following tips and resources to help you work from home more securely and reduce the risk of breach.

- Please report missteps in HIPAA compliance to your manager or Compliance as necessary
- Utilize the OIT-provided resources for remote work
- Be conscious of your Duo authorizations and report any suspicious or buggy instances
- Report suspicious emails using the "Report Phish" button in Outlook
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Resources

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- [Telework Guidelines](#)
- [Zoom Guidelines](#)
- [Notice on COVID-19 Phishing Awareness](#)

and the following tips:

- [Telework Guidance](#) — NSA & DHS CISA
- [Security Tips for WFH](#) — FTC Consumer Information
- [User's Guide to Telework and BYOD Security](#) — DOC NIST
- [Telework and Small Office Network Security Guide](#) — CIS

Technology Purchases

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COVID-19 CMS Telehealth Coding Update

CMS recently announced a change that greatly impacts providers' visit-to-visit documentation. This change being the level selection for office/outpatient E/M visits when furnished via Medicare Telehealth that would allow providers to use either Medical Decision Making (MDM) or to use Time as the defining factor in selecting the appropriate level of service for office/outpatient E&M (ONLY) telehealth encounters- as it will be effective January 1, 2021.

If time is used, the provider can include their total time associated with the service on the day of the encounter. Total time includes *face-to-face time* and *non-face-to-face time* like preparing to see the patient (e.g. review of tests) and documenting clinical information in the electronic health record. The appropriate history and exam components may be necessary to show medical necessity and the complexity of the service but will not be included in the scoring process of the E/M code. Keep in mind this is interim guidance-meaning post-PHE has the possibility of reverting to pre-PHE rules until January 1, 2021.

Attached is the latest Telehealth Fact sheet for more information on Time and MDM.

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- 950-09-020** - Academic Actions:

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- 950-02-010** – Law Enforcement Policy
- 950-02-006** – Photography Multi-Media Privacy and Security Recording of Patients
- 950-02-015** – HIPAA Breach Risk Assessment and Mitigation
- 950-02-013** – Application of the Minimum Necessary Standard to Uses, Disclosures and Requests to Protected Health Information

UME Policies:

- 950-06-001** – International Co-and Extra-Curricular Travel Policy

Clinical Policies:

- 950-05-015** Vendor Exhibitors

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