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CMS Clarifies Therapists in Nursing Facilities, Rehab Agencies, Home Health Can Continue to Utilize Telehealth

On Friday, May 19th, 2023, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) published an additional Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) which clarified the continuing authority to provide certain rehabilitation therapy telehealth services in institutional settings after the end of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE). This clarification has been sought by ADVION and is found in question #22 in CMS' updated FAQ, posted here.

"ADVION thanks CMS for clarifying that rehabilitation therapy telehealth services in long term care settings can continue as we enter the post-PHE world," said Cynthia Morton, Executive Vice President of ADVION. "Ensuring continued access to these telehealth services, which have had their value proven during the PHE, is important for preserving patient access to care."

The FAQ clarifies the ability of skilled nursing facilities, rehab agencies and other institutional billers to utilize telehealth for rehabilitation therapy under Parts A and B beyond the termination of the PHE.

ADVION looks forward to ensuring the continued availability of these and other telehealth services beyond 2024.

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