

**DEPARTMENT OF
VETERANS AFFAIRS**

Memorandum

Date: March 5, 2021

From: Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Patient Care Services/Chief Nursing Officer (12)

Subj: FY 2021 Standardized Obligations – Home Telehealth Equipment and Services (VIEWS 4606256)

To: Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) Directors (10N1-23)

1. Beginning fiscal year (FY) 2021, the funds for the management and purchase of Remote Patient Monitoring/Home Telehealth equipment and services moved from the Prosthetics and Sensory Aids Service (PSAS) budget to the Office of Connected Care (OCC). These funds will now be distributed by OCC to the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers to allow for appropriate capture of expenditures at the field station where clinical services are delivered.
2. The attachments to this memorandum provide the accounting information for facilities to establish FY 2021 standardized obligations for Remote Patient Monitoring/Home Telehealth equipment and services. All clinical facilities utilize Remote Patient Monitoring/Home Telehealth and therefore will need to establish obligations using the corresponding standardized obligation numbers. It is also essential that the other accounting information included on the attachments is utilized to ensure consistent cost accounting and payment.
3. The Financial Services Center (FSC) will oversee facilities to ensure they establish standardized obligations and provide sufficient funds for payment. The facility is responsible for working with FSC to clear any accounting issues.
4. Obligations must be established according to Department of Veterans Affairs Policy Volume II, [Volume II, Chapter 5 - Obligations Policy](#), Section 050501.B.
5. Questions concerning the Home Telehealth Equipment and Standardized Obligation Accounts should be referred to the Denver Logistics Center at dalc.fiscal@va.gov or the phone numbers listed in Attachment A. Questions regarding the home telehealth program should be sent to [VHA 12CC Connected Care Budget Support](#). Questions concerning the standardized obligations in Integrated Funds Distribution, Control Point Activity, Accounting and Procurement should be referred to the facility's Fiscal or Contracting Offices.

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Attachments

Standardized Obligations - FY 2019

Accounts		STANDARDIZED OBLIGATION	APPROPRIATION	1358 IFCAP Code	COST CENTER	BUDGET OBJECT CODES	SUB OBJECT CODE	VENDOR ID	PROGRAM CONTACT		FINANCIAL CONTACT	
Denver Acquisition & Logistics Center (DALC) Telehealth Equipment & Supplies	Oct-Sep	DD1004	0160	3D	8250	3135		7914537VA	dalc.fiscal@va.gov	303-273-6239	dalc.fiscal@va.gov	303-273-6239
Denver Acquisition & Logistics Center (DALC) Telehealth Service Fees	Oct-Sep	DD1005	0160	3D	8250	2552		7914537VA	dalc.fiscal@va.gov	303-273-6239	dalc.fiscal@va.gov	303-273-6239

Telehealth
Specific Purpose Funding
FY 2021 Costing Instructions

Cost Center	Cost Center Descriptions	BOC	Budget Object Code (BOC) Description	ACC
8250	Telehealth - Personal services and other direct costs related to Home Telehealth (HT) Store & Forward Telehealth (SFT) Programs. Other costs to include Telehealth equipment (e.g., home Telehealth informatics and disease management technologies, clinical video conferencing hardware/software, peripheral devices, image capture devices), equipment services (e.g., maintenance, training, and installation) and travel. (Fund 0160)	3135	Home Telehealth Equipment - Includes cost for Telehealth equipment and other direct costs related to the home Telehealth technologies (not IT), equipment and travel (Fund 0160), per VHA Handbook 1173.17. NOTE: The DALC will utilize this cost center and BOC combinations when Telehealth equipment are procured through the DALC.	SPR0T00??
	TH 100 Messaging & Measuring Devices (Inactive code) TH 102 Monitoring & Measuring Devices TH 103 Monitoring Peripheral Devices TH 104 Video Phone TH 105 Access/Cables, Surge Protect, Etc. TH 106 Patient Fee TH 108 IVR Service Fee TH 109 Web Browser Service TH 110 Computer Hardware, Tablet	2552	Telehealth Contractual Services - Contracts which support the Telehealth program (yearly service fees)	SPR0T00??