

Attention: All MH/SA/DD Providers, Psychiatrists, and Hospitals

Cardinal Innovations Health Plan (formerly the NC MH/DD/SAS Health Plan)

Effective July 1, 2010, all services provided in the ED during an admission with a primary discharge diagnosis of 290 through 319 were added to the Cardinal Innovations Health Plan 1915 b/c Waiver Capitation rate. The Cardinal Innovations Health Plan has been in operation in Cabarrus, Davidson, Rowan, Stanly, and Union counties. Medicaid originating from Alamance and Caswell counties became part of the Cardinal Innovations Health Plan effective October 1, 2011. Medicaid originating from Franklin, Granville, Halifax, Vance, and Warren counties will become part of the Cardinal Innovations Health Plan effective January 1, 2012. Medicaid originating from Orange, Person, and Chatham counties will become part of the Cardinal Innovations Health Plan effective April 1, 2012. The Cardinal Innovations Health Plan is administered by the area Local Management Entity, PBH. All ED fees for services provided in emergency rooms to Medicaid recipients residing in the PBH area with a primary discharge diagnosis in the 290 through 319 range, including professional and facility fees are to be billed to PBH as per the following schedule:

- Claims for Cabarrus, Davidson, Rowan, Union, and Stanly county Medicaid recipients from July 1, 2010 forward should be billed to PBH.
- Claims for Alamance and Caswell county Medicaid recipients from October 1, 2011 forward should be billed to PBH.
- Claims for Franklin, Granville, Halifax, Vance, and Warren county Medicaid recipients beginning January 1, 2012 forward should be billed to PBH.
- Claims for Orange, Person, and Chatham county Medicaid recipients beginning April 1, 2012 forward should be billed to PBH.

If you have been paid by Medicaid for an emergency room service that should have been billed to PBH, you will be subject to a recoup of Medicaid funds beginning January 1, 2012. You will then be able to bill PBH and be paid by them for these services. This would only apply to recipients whose Medicaid is active in the PBH catchment area. Please contact DMA Behavioral Health Section if you require further assistance at 919-855-4290.

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