

Transition of Care Policy for Prepaid Health Plans Under the Standard Plan Option Released

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2021

NC Medicaid has released the NC Department of Health and Human Services Transition of Care Policy, which outlines NC Medicaid's vision on the process of assisting a beneficiary through the transition between health plans or between service/payment delivery systems. <u>More</u>

Advanced Medical Home Provider Manual 2.0 Released

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2021

The Department released the <u>Advanced Medical Home (AMH) Provider Manual 2.0</u> today. This version reflects program expectations as well as recent program modifications and changes that impact provider contracts. <u>More</u>

<u>Personal Care Services Policy 3L, Implementation of Electronic Visit Verification, Public Comment</u> <u>Period Extended</u>

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021

The public comment period has been extended through March 15, 2021, for Personal Care Services Policy 3L, Implementation of Electronic Visit Verification. <u>More</u>

SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #158: Correction to COVID-19 Lab Code 87428

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2021

CPT Code 87428 (related to COVID-19) was improperly defined in a previous Bulletin and is being correctly defined here. <u>More</u>

<u>Community Alternatives Program for Children (CAP/C) Waiver Renewal Stakeholder Engagement</u> TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2021

The Community Alternatives Program for Children (CAP) §1915(c) Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver will expire on Feb. 28, 2022. By October 2021, NC Medicaid will submit a request to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to renew the CAP/C waiver. <u>More</u>

Billing Code Update for Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2021

North Carolina Medicaid has received calls concerning claim denials for some services provided by nurse practitioners (NPs) and physician assistants (PAs). <u>More</u>

Tailored Care Management Certification Deadline Extended to June 1, 2021

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2021

To continue supporting providers interested in obtaining certification as an Advanced Medical Home Plus (AMH+) practice or Care Management Agency (CMA), the Round 1 application deadline is being extended from March 1, 2021 to June 1, 2021. <u>More</u>



<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #157: Final Reconciliation of Nursing Home Staff Testing Payments</u> <u>Authorized Under Secretarial Orders 2 and 4</u>

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2021

NC Medicaid is initiating its final phase of reconciling projected versus actual testing cost submission activity for nursing home staff testing payments authorized under Secretarial Orders 2 and 4 on March 1, 2021. <u>More</u>

<u>SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #156: Clinical Policy 1E-7, Family Planning Services, COVID-19 Lab Testing</u> <u>for MAFDN Beneficiaries</u>

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2021

Effective June 1, 2020, NC Medicaid began reimbursing COVID-19 testing for "Be Smart" Family Planning (MAFDN) beneficiaries through the NC Medicaid Optional COVID-19 Testing (MCV) Program. NC Medicaid is adding codes into NC Tracks for lab testing coverage for MAFDN beneficiaries with retroactive effective dates. <u>More</u>

<u>Rituximab-arrx Injection, for Intravenous Use (Riabni™) HCPCS Code J3590: Billing Guidelines</u> TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021

Effective with date of service Jan 5, 2021, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover rituximabarrx injection, for intravenous use (Riabni[™]) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J3590 - Unclassified biologics. <u>More</u>

Lumasiran Injection, for Subcutaneous Use (Oxlumo™) HCPCS Code J3490: Billing Guidelines TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021

Effective with date of service Dec. 22, 2020, the Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover lumasiran injection, for subcutaneous use (Oxlumo[™]) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) when billed with HCPCS code J3490 - Unclassified drugs. <u>More</u>

<u>Addition of Licensed Professionals Eligible to Bill Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to</u> <u>Treatment (SBIRT) CPT Codes</u>

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021

This bulletin informs LME-MCOs and providers about the amendments made to providers types eligible to bill the Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) CPT codes effective as of March 1, 2021. <u>More</u>

Medicaid Managed Care Provider Update

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2021

The latest information providers need to know about the transition to Medicaid Managed Care. Update includes the Provider Directory and Health Plan Look-Up Tool, contracting reminders, Provider Playbook updates, upcoming webinars and more. <u>More</u>

SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #155: Laboratory Codes for COVID-19 Testing

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2021

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the American Medical Association have announced the release of several new codes to report testing for COVID-19. <u>More</u>



Electronic Visit Verification Update: Implementation Flexibilities

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2021

NC Medicaid acknowledges challenges with implementing EVV and is extending flexibilities for EVV dates of service to providers who make a good faith effort to connect with their EVV vendor of choice. <u>More</u>

SPECIAL BULLETIN COVID-19 #154: Monoclonal Antibodies – Billing Guidelines

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has issued an Emergency Use Authorization to permit the emergency use of the unapproved monoclonal antibodies to be administered for the treatment of mild to moderate COVID-19 in some patients. <u>More</u>

NC Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program Announcements

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021

NC-MIPS is Open for Program Year 2020, Program Year 2020 Webinar Series, The Security Risk Analysis (SRA) and Program Year 2021 Announcements. <u>More</u>

Behavioral Health I/DD Tailored Plan Memo on Eligibility and Enrollment Updates

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021

Additional criteria has been added to identify beneficiaries as eligible for Behavioral Health I/DD Tailored Plans. <u>More</u>

<u>Temporary Clinical Policy Modifications: Payment for Healthy Opportunities Screening and Referral</u> MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021

Effective Jan. 1, 2021, NC Medicaid and NC Health Choice are temporarily covering Healthy Opportunities screening to encourage providers to gain capacity for screening Medicaid beneficiaries for unmet health-related resource needs and referring them to appropriate community-based resources prior to the launch of Medicaid managed care. <u>More</u>

Advanced Medical Home Tier 3 "Glidepath" Payments

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021

Effective April 1, 2021, as part of the transition to Medicaid Managed Care, NC Medicaid will offer timelimited payment to practices that have attested into Advanced Medical Home Tier 3 if they can demonstrate successful readiness for AMH Tier 3 responsibilities. <u>More</u>