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Maryland Prenatal Risk Assessment (MPRA) Requirements (March 2014)

Background

The Maryland Prenatal Risk Assessment (MPRA) process helps to identify women who have medical, nutritional, and psychosocial predictors of poor birth outcomes, and allows the patient, local health department, provider, and MCO to work together to promote the best possible birth outcome. The MPRA process is a key policy initiative that strengthens the linkage of the highest risk pregnant women to available support services. Completion of the MPRA (DHMH form 4850) and completion of a plan of care at the first prenatal visit is required for all Medicaid participants, including those women enrolled in Managed Care Organizations (MCOs).

Instructions and Added NPI field

Complete the MPRA at the first prenatal visit. Within ten days, fax the completed form to the local health department in the county in which the woman resides. Instructions and fax numbers are on the back of the form. In March 2014 an additional field was added to the MPRA for the clinic or facility NPI. If this is applicable please enter the clinic or facility NPI in addition to the provider's individual NPI. This will allow LHDs to improve monitoring of MPRA completion and to initiate follow-up with providers and facilities that do not routinely submit MPRAs.

Reimbursement

The billing code for completion of the MPRA and development of the plan of care is H1000. Maryland Medicaid's reimbursement for completion of the MPRA and development of the plan of care is \$40.00. This fee is in addition to the fee for the prenatal visit (Evaluation and Management code). Only one risk assessment per pregnancy will be paid. Providers who are contracted with MCOs should check with the MCOs' provider relations staff about any additional MCO policies and procedures.

Resource Information

Additional resource information can be found on the DHMH website:

https://mmcp.dhmh.maryland.gov/Documents/OB%20MANUAL%20March%202012.pdf

To obtain additional quantities of MPRA forms, contact your LHD Administrative Care Coordination Unit (ACCU). The contact information is listed on back of the MPRA. If you have any additional questions about the MPRA process, contact the ACCU or Medicaid's Division of Care Coordination and Complaint Resolution at 410-767-6750.