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Maryland Physicians Care 2nd Quarter Provider Forum June 15, 2023

Provider Forum Agenda



Operation Updates – Adrienne Bennett, Sr. Director Provider Management

- Quick Reference Guide (QRG)
- Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)
- Claims Billing Requirement Reminders
- Provider Data Integrity
- Quarterly Provider Newsletter
- Member Redetermination Reminder
- Provider Portal: Member Redetermination Panel Report

Quality Improvement /HEDIS Outreach – Sammi Turner, Quality Improvement Manager Health Education – Rachelle Cannon, Prevention & Wellness Manager Care Management – Angela Hart, Director of Care Management Pharmacy Updates – Dr. Jonathan Keyser, Sr. Director Pharmacy Medical Management – Dr. Bruce VanDerver, Chief Medical Officer

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Operation Updates

Quick Reference Guide (QRG)

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MPC wants to keep you informed. We have updated our QRG. Please be sure to check it out. Quick Reference Guide.

Helpful Information at Your Fingertips

information, contact MPC Provider Services at 1-800-953-8854, or reach out to your Provider Relations Representative, Providers may email MPC to update their demographic data and ask about credentialing or enrollment at ProviderDataManagement@mpcMedicaid.com.

If you have questions or need additional

Provider Relations

MPC providers have designated Provider Relations Representatives based on the practice/group location. This specialist will be your primary contact with MPC and will keep you updated on any policy changes. To find your Provider Relations Representative, visit the territory contact list found at mpcMedicaid.com/pr.

Translation Services

Providers may contact MPC Provider Services at 1-800-953-8854, which will link to a translation service (telephonic only).

About MPC

Maryland Physicians Care (MPC) is a locally managed care organization owned by Ascension Saint Agnes. Holy Cross Health, Meritus Health, and UPMC Western Maryland. MPC administers health care services to Maryland's HealthChoice enrollees HealthChoice is a program of the Maryland Department of Health.

Maryland Physicians Care (MPC)

Phone: 1-800-953-8854 Fax: 1-866-333-8024

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Medical Management

Scheduled Inpatient and Outpatient Prior Authorization Fax: 1-800-953-8856

Notice of Admission Fax: 1-800-385-4169

Concurrent Review/Clinical Information Fax: 1-855-905-5939

Special Needs Coordinator Fax: 1-844-284-7698

Verify and submit authorizations through mpcMedicaid.com/login

Specialty Services

High Tech Radiology Imaging - National Imaging Associates (NIA) Phone: 1-800-424-4836 | radmd.com

Non-Emergent Medical Transportation (NEMT) Phone: 1-800-953-8854

Routine Vision Services - Superior Vision Phone: 1-800-428-8789

Maryland Healthy Smiles Dental Program Phone: 1-855-934-9812

Pharmacy Services - Express Scripts

MPC Provider **Quick Reference Guide**

Ways to Connect with MPC

PHONE 1-800-953-8854

- Contact Customer Service
- Monday-Friday | 8 am 5 pm, EST Claim Status
- Request Provider Education or Orientation Session
- Network Participation
- Member Eligibility

WEBSITE

mpcMedicaid.com/providers

- Provider Manual Provider Forms
- Guides and FAQs
- Prior Authorization Checker Tool
- Health Plan News
- Clinical Guidelines
- Change or Update Demographic Information
- Electronic Claims Appeals Submission



- mpcMedicaid.com/login
- Member Eligibility
- PCP Verification

- PCP Panel Lists
- Submit Authorization/Check Status



Claims Payment

MPC uses InstaMed to provide free Electronic Funds Transfer (EET) and Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA).

To register, visit instamed.com/eraeft or call 1-866-945-7990.

Manage Claims

Submit claims for free through MPC's secure web portal: mpcMedicaid.com/login

Electronic Clearinghouse Availity Payor ID - 76498 Phone: 1-800-282-4548

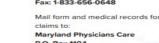
Mail paper claims to: Maryland Physicians Care P.O. Box 21099 Eagan, MN 55121

Authorization Requests

Submit authorizations for free Appeals must be submitted within through MPC's secure web 90 days of the claim remittance portal: mpcMedicaid.com/login advice, or it will be denied for timely submission.

Fax: 1-800-953-8856 Phone: 1-800-953-8854

Claims can be reviewed at mpcMedicaid.com/login using the same user name and password.



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marylandphysicianscare.com or

Fax: 1-833-656-0648

Submit Appeals

Maryland Physicians Care P.O. Box 1104 Portland, ME 04104

Non-Emergent Medical Transportation (NEMT)





If a member needs transportation assistance contact the local health department (LHD) to assist members in accessing non-emergency medical transportation services (NEMT). Maryland Physicians Care will cooperate with and make reasonable efforts to accommodate logistical and scheduling concerns of the LHD.



MCO Transportation Assistance Under certain circumstances Maryland Physicians Care may provide limited transportation assistance when members do not qualify for NEMT through the LHD. Maryland Physicians Care provides non-emergency transportation to access a covered service if we choose to provide the service at a location that is outside of the closest county in which the service is available.

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Claims Billing Requirement Reminder



Continuous Glucose Monitoring Authorization Requirements

- Maryland Physicians Care (MPC) has updated its approved HCPCS code to include the HCPCS codes for the glucose monitor, E2102 and E2103 and the supplies, A4238 and A4239. Prior authorization continues to be required for the glucose monitor, E2102 and E2103. Effective immediately, please submit all new prior authorization requests for the monitor with the new E codes
- Effective June 1, 2023, MPC discontinued reimbursement for HCPCS codes A9277 and A9278 and A9279

HCPCS Code S9088 Not Covered by HealthChoice Program

- Maryland Physicians Care (MPC) has confirmed that the HealthChoice Program does not cover HCPCS Code S9088, Services provided in an Urgent Care Center
- Effective June 1, 2023, MPC will deny HCPCS Code S9088 for dates of service on or after June 1, 2023

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Provider Data Integrity



Please contact us within ten days whenever you have changes to your demographic information, including accepting new patients.



Members use this information to search for providers that meet their unique needs.

Accurate online directories are key to ensuring members have access to accurate information about network providers.

MPC conducts roster reconciliation regularly.

MPC Quarterly Provider Newsletter

Did you know that you can sign up on our website to receive the Quarterly Provider Newsletter automatically in your inbox?

The Newsletter is information about upcoming updates, health news, and other free resources!

Signup today!

<u>Newsletter Signup -</u> <u>Maryland Physicians Care</u>

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Member Redetermination Reminder



HELP YOUR PATIENTS KEEP THEIR MEDICAID COVERAGE WITH MPC!

Changes are coming to Maryland Medicaid.

Medicaid renewals **will not** be automatic this year. Your patients **will** need to renew their coverage with Maryland Health Connection this year to keep their health insurance benefits. Patients can renew their insurance by:

1. GOING ONLINE to Maryland's Health Connection at

https://marylandhealthconnection.gov/checkin

- 2. CALLING Maryland's Health Connection's Customer Service at 855-642-8572
- 3. VISITING MPC's website at mpcMedicaid.com/renew-membership

REMIND your patients to take these very important steps to keep their MPC coverage.

For more information to assist your patients, please visit the MDH website at health.maryland.gov/mmcp/Pages/home.aspx.

Please contact MPC's Provider Relations Department at 800-953-8854, Option 2, with any questions, concerns, or for additional assistance.

New on the Provider Portal Member Provider Portal Member Medicaid with a Heart Redetermination Panel Report

We are pleased to announce that a new report is available for you to identify the member's redetermination status on your panel.

- Login to the provider portal
- Go to "Tools & Resources" and then click on "Document List"
- · Click on the small red search button below the Last Name field
- At the very bottom of the screen your Member Redetermination Panel Report will show, if present
- Click on the icon in front of the Report Title
- Open the Excel file that shows on the bottom of your screen for the report

You can also use the provider portal for quick question responses through provider forums, provider relations outreach, customer service contacts and newsletters.



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Questions and Answers





Thank You!

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Quality Improvement-HEDIS Outreach

Improving Performance with CPT II Codes





Category II Codes are for reporting purposes and when submitted on claims are captured as administrative data in our HEDIS software.



Administrative data reduces the burden of medical record requests fulfillment for the site.



The use of these codes can improve accuracy of care gaps and assist both plan and provider on identifying non-compliant populations.



NCQA is reducing the measures that allow for medical record review. Many measures/quality outcomes are restricted to claims data only.

*CPT II Codes are provided as a recommendation only. Please see HEDIS Tips sheet available on the provider portal for additional recommendations and information pertaining to HEDIS measures.

Well Child Visit (WCV)



- •No limits on well visits- The visits do not have to wait for a full year to pass (members can have multiple well visits in one year)
- •Well visits are based on Administrative data only (Compliance can only be achieved via claim submission)
- •Consider turning sick visits into well visits when appropriate
- •Visits must be with a primary care provider but does not have to be the PCP they are assigned to

	CPT Codes
99382	Preventive visit new patient age: 1 to 4 years
99383	Preventive visit new patient age: 5 to 11 years
99384	Preventive visit new patient age: 12 to 17 years
99385	Preventive visit new patient age: 18 to 39 years
99392	Preventive visit established patient age: 1 to 4 years
99393	Preventive visit established patient age: 5 to 11 years
99394	Preventive visit established patient age: 12 to 17 years
99395	Preventive visit established patient age: 18 to 39 years

Weight Counseling for Children (WCC)



Description

Members 3–17 years of age who had an outpatient visit with a PCP or OB/GYN and evidence of the following during the measurement year:

- BMI percentile documentation (documentation of BMI value alone is not sufficient)
- Counseling for nutrition
- Counseling for physical activity

Helpful Hints

- Anticipatory guidance regarding weight, diet, nutrition, and physical activity are valid for the WCC measure whether rendered during a sick or well visit and includes telehealth.
- Include BMI percentile ICD-10 coding on the claim and document in the health record via growth chart or documented as a percentile for sick or well visits including telehealth. Member reported height and weight can be used to calculate and document BMI percentile.
- Include Nutritional and Physical Activity Counseling ICD-10 coding on the claim and document in the health record.

BMI Percentile Pediatric	
ICD-10 Coding	Body Mass Index (BMI) Percentile, Pediatric Description
Z68.51	BMI less than 5th percentile for age
Z68.52	BMI 5th percentile to less than 85th percentile for age
Z68.53	BMI 85th percentile to less than 95th percentile for age
Z68.54	BMI greater than or equal to 95th percentile for age
Nutritional Counseling	
ICD-10 Coding	Nutritional Counseling Description
271.3	Dietary counseling and surveillance
Physical Activity Counseling	
ICD-10 Coding	Physical Activity Description
271.82	Exercise counseling
202.5	Encounter for examination for participation in sport

Cervical Cancer Screening-CCS



Women 21 - 64 years of age who were screened for cervical cancer using either of the following criteria:

- Women age 21–64 who had cervical cytology (PAP) performed every 3 years
- Women age 30–64 who had cervical cytology (PAP) human papillomavirus (HPV) co-testing; OR had human papillomavirus (HPV) performed every 5 years
- Medical record must include cervical cytology/HPV test date and results

	CPT Codes	
Cervical Cytology		
	88175	
HPV Test	87624-87625	

Members that had a total hysterectomy can be excluded by adding the applicable ICD-10 diagnosis code to the claim.

- **Q51.5** Agenesis and aplasia of cervix
- **Z90.710** Acquired absence of both cervix and uterus
- **Z90.712** Acquired absence of cervix with remaining uterus

Administrative Codes for Blood Pressure-CBP



Assesses members 18–85 years of age who had a diagnosis of hypertension (HTN) and whose blood pressure (BP) was adequately controlled (<140/90 mm HG) during the measurement year. The BP reading that is applied to outcomes is the last reading during the measurement year.

Include the applicable CPT II code on the claim to capture data administratively

SystolicCPT II Codes		Diastolic—CPT II Codes	
3074F	Blood pressure less than 130 mm HG	3078F	Blood pressure less than 80 mm Hg
3075F	Blood pressure 130-139 mm Hg	3079F	Blood pressure 80 – 89 mm Hg
3077F	Blood pressure greater than or equal to 140 mm Hg	3080F	Blood pressure greater than or equal to 90 mm Hg

- BP must be <140/90- Can not be equal to and compliance is only achieved if both Systolic and Diastolic readings are in normal range.
- Recheck any blood pressure reading ≥140/90 on day of service and document all BP values taken during the visit
- If BP is not controlled, schedule member for follow up appointment for BP recheck
- Encourage members to refill their medications, and take medication as ordered
- Order 90-day refills for formulary agents
- Documentation in the medical record of BP readings reported or taken by the member are acceptable





Question: Do well child visits have to be a full year before scheduling?

<u>Answer</u>: No there is no limit on well visits for children or adults. Maryland Physicians Care understands that it is not always possible to schedule well visits based on members last well visit. For example, If a member had a well visit in October 2022, a well visit that occurs in March of 2023 and again in December of 2023 are reimbursable.

Question: The member is not in our system. Are we still responsible for them?

<u>Answer:</u> The member is still assigned to your practice. If member has not yet accessed care at your facility, they would be considered a new member to your practice. Please outreach member to schedule an appointment.

<u>Question:</u> The member is not using their Maryland Physicians Care insurance because they have other insurance. Why are they in the denominator or showing as non-compliant?

<u>Answer:</u> The secondary insurance should still receive a claim, even if it is denied for EOB. This can be done by submitting a \$0 dollar claim or billing any balance (co-pays). This provides record of service to the MCO, and the provider receives credit for services rendered, thus improving quality scores. This also closes the gap for the member and prevents unnecessary outreach and may increase member satisfaction. If no claim is received member remains non-compliant.

Clinic days



Maryland Physicians Care (MPC) partners with Specialists/Providers in the community to offer clinic days. Clinic days provide direct Gap closures. MPC provides all outreach and scheduling. MPC reps are on site the day of the event and provide members a \$75.00 gift card once their appointment is completed. Members can call 410-412-8280 to schedule.

Clinics:

- •BCS (State-Wide)
- Diabetic Eye (Baltimore)
- SSI Adult/Child (Baltimore)
- Lead (Baltimore)
- New: Lead/SSI (Montgomery and PG County- Casa Ruben June 10th)
- New: Baltimore Health Event- SSI Adult, SSI Child, Lead, Diabetic Eye

Meet The Outreach Team



Angela Tabbs (ATABBS) HEDIS Outreach Coord



Mayra Dixon (MDIXON) HEDIS Outreach Coord



Muslimah Furr (MFURR) HEDIS Outreach Coord



Yonic Machado (YMACHADO) HEDIS Outreach Coord





Mary Collier (MCOLLIER) Sr HED Outreach Team Lead

Go on your own: Member Incentives



MPC provides members with a health reward when members schedule and complete care on their own. The reward focuses on a select population/measure and is claim based. Members are required to complete registration to obtain their gift card -<u>HEDIS Incentive</u> <u>Registration Page - Maryland Physicians Care</u>.

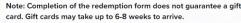
Calendar Year 2023 Incentives

\$75 for Breast Cancer Screening (April-October)
\$50 for Postpartum (7 to 84 days after delivery)
\$50 for Diabetic Eye Screening (July-September)



You may qualify for an incentive gift card from Maryland Physicians Care. MPC members who have completed a specified prevention and wellness health event during 2023 are eligible.

To qualify for the gift card, MPC members should fill out the form entirely. MPC will verify that the member qualifies before sending the gift card. If you have any questions, contact our HEDIS Department at **410-412-8280**.



Contact Information



Any Questions regarding HEDIS/Member Outreach, please feel free to contact:

Sammi Turner M.B.A., D.H.A Quality HEDIS Manager MCI-MCMI for Maryland Physicians Care Email: <u>Sturner@MPCmedicaid.com</u> (preferred) Outreach: 410-412-8280 Cell 410-412-0394

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Provider Education

You Can Make A Difference in the Services We Provide

MPC's formal medical committees, subcommittees, and ad hoc work groups advise and guide the Quality Management Program. These committees integrate MPC's medical functions, operations, and network into the Quality Management Program.

As a network provider, you are qualified to apply for a position on one of our quality committees and can provide valuable insight and perspective on the program.

To find out more about what committees are available and/or to apply, please contact:

Donna Reilly, Project Manager, via email at dreilly@mpcmedicaid.com.

Quality Management/ Utilization Management Committee (QMUM)

Meets 6 Times Per Year

The **QMUM Committee** advises and makes recommendations to the Chief Medical Officer and the Quality Management Oversight Committee regarding the development and implementation of the Quality and Utilization Program. Committee responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Conducting peer reviews;
- Investigating quality of care or service and patient safety issues;
- Reviewing and approving program improvement plans, clinical guidelines, trends in quality and utilization indicators;
- Reviewing results of member and provider satisfaction surveys;
- Reviewing and approving program descriptions, annual work plans, and annual program evaluations related to quality and utilization; and
- Reviewing data sets and general utilization information, such as member demographics, costs, and outcomes from monitoring utilization indicators.



Credentialing Committee (CC)

Meets 10 Time Per Year



The **CC** acts as advisor to the Chief Medical Officer or designee and conducts peer review of credentialing files for practitioners seeking initial or continuing approval to participate in the MPC provider network. Committee responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Evaluating results of health facility site reviews and medical record keeping reviews, when indicated;
- Reviewing and approving credentialing audit reports for entities with delegated credentialing;
- Reviewing, approving, denying, or recommending revisions to program description/policies related to credentialing and recredentialing functions; and
- Conducting off-cycle peer review evaluations and making recommendations regarding follow-up actions, as warranted, referred from ongoing practitioner monitoring activities.

Pharmacy and Therapeutic Committee (P&T)

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Meets at least 4 Times Per Year

The **P&T Committee** advises and makes recommendations to the Chief Medical Officer and the corporate office Pharmacy Department regarding the MPC Pharmacy Program. Committee Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Reviewing drug utilization data, clinical and patient safety information, medical literature, and making recommendations about additions to the Preferred Drug List/Formulary;
- Reviewing and making recommendations regarding member and provider educational materials and programs;
- Reviewing and evaluating oversight/monitoring information related to contracted pharmacy services;
- Evaluating and recommending new technology related to medications and other pharmacy products; and
- Reviewing requests from providers for changes to the Preferred Drug List/Formulary.

To Find Out More...





To apply or find out more about any of our quality committees, please contact:

Donna Reilly, Project Manager at dreilly@mpcmedicaid.com.



CARE MANAGEMENT

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INTRODUCTION

Care Management at MPC is a team-based approach designed to assist members and their caregivers with managing medical conditions effectively.

We have highly trained nurses, health educators, community health workers, care coordinators, and social workers who can: • help members understand their health

- problems
- teach them how to manage illness and medications
- assist with any social determinate issues they may have interfering with getting to appointments or managing their health
 provide resources in the community that may
- be beneficial





CLINICAL PROGRAMS

NCQA Programs

Catastrophic Care:

 Complex medical and care coordination needs due to serious medical condition(s), injury or event

Complex Care:

 High risk members with one or more chronic diseases and high care coordination needs

Condition Care:

 Moderate risk DM for: Asthma, COPD, CAD, Diabetes, CHF, HTN

• Transitions of Care:

 Members transitioning from acute care setting to home identified as high risk for readmission

Non-NCQA Programs

Care Compass:

- HRA assessments
- Care Management Screenings
- SDoH needs
- Access to care
- Care coordination needs

• Pregnancy Care:

- High risk pregnancy through 60 days post partum
- HIV Care:
 - Members with HIV that are not linked to services
- Corrective Managed Care:
 - Pharmacy Lock-In Program



MATERNAL OPIOID MISUSE (MOM) PROGRAM



If you are pregnant, on Medicaid, and using opioids, hope and help is here. Contact the MOM program today health.maryland.gov/enrollMOM.



What is the MOM program?

The MOM program offers care management services,
 helping members connect all the care services needed for
 the health, wellbeing, treatment, and recovery of soon to be
 parents and infants who have an opioid use disorder (OUD).
 Services provided during pregnancy and up to one year
 after delivery.

How does MOM care management work?

- A care manager will meet with members at least monthly, working together to develop a care plan that is best for them and their baby.
- What do the Care Managers discuss?
 - Mental and physical health needs
 - Treatment goals
 - Basic healthy lifestyle needs and supports
 - How to avoid overdose
 - Medicine for opioid treatment
 - Other opioid treatments while pregnant
 - Local resources



REFERRING TO CARE MANAGEMENT

Who?	How?	What?
NPC Special Needs Coordinator Kerry O'Malley, RN, BSN • Email: MPCSNC@mpcmedicaid.com • Phone: 443-300-7325 • Fax: 1-844-284-7698	Member Name DOB MA# Current Phone# Reason for the referral **Also helpful if member is made aware of the referral and anticipates the outreach	Chronic illnesses Catastrophic care Condition care Transitions of care Care coordination High risk pregnancy SDoH



MPC members have free access to doctors 24/7.

Virtual (text) chats and video chats may address minor injuries, non-emergency illness, prescription refills (excluding controlled substances) and answers to general medical questions

Chat with a doctor from anywhere, even after hours!

Send a secure chat message, share images, or video with a local doctor — at no additional cost to you!

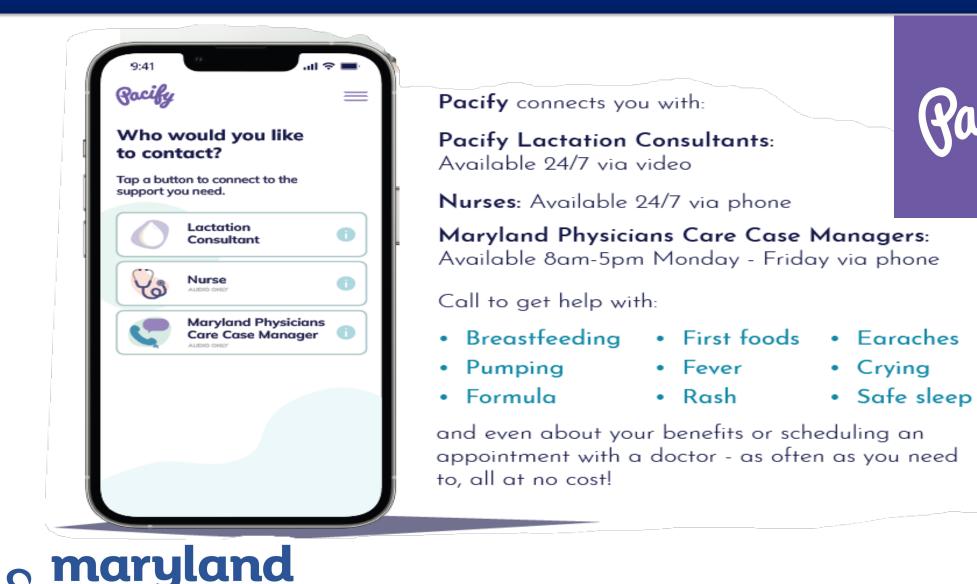




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STAYING CONNECTED



NXXT Telecom offers free smart devices and service for qualifying customers, under the Federal Affordable Connectivity Program.

Our members can qualify for 1 smart phone and/or tablet



We can assist with applications, and most are approved within hours. Device is received within 5-7 days, once approved.



QUESTIONS?



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Pharmacy Updates

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April 2023				
Drug Name	Therapeutic Class	Change	Effective Date	ADL Alternative (if applicable)
		No Changes		
May 2023				
Drug Name	Therapeutic Class	Change	Effective Date	ADL Alternative (if applicable)
Amjevita	Rheumatological Agent	Add to formulary	05/03/2023	Enbrel, Humira, Xeljanz
June 2023				
Drug Name	Therapeutic Class	Change	Effective Date	ADL Alternative (if applicable)
Rezvoglar	Insulin	Add to formulary	06/19/2023	Insulin glargine-YGFN



• Medical Rx PA Form Update

Effective August 1, 2023, MPC will be implementing new requirements for completing the Medical Rx prior authorization request form.

➤The updated form possesses a "Site of Service" section that MPC has added to confirm the infusion service setting.

This will help minimize the administrative burden for our providers requesting medication infusions under the Site of Service program that went live on April 1, 2023.



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• Medical Rx PA Form Update

➤The Site of Service section will need to be completed for every medical Rx infusion prior authorization request submitted to MPC.

Site of Service – This section must be completed.				
Please select the infusion service administration setting:				
	Standalone ambulatory infusion site, off-campus		Outpatient hospital	
	Home infusion		Infusion center on hospital campus	
	Standalone provider office			



Autoimmune Pilot Termination

- Effective June 1, 2023, MPC terminated our autoimmune pilot with Eviti.
- Starting on June 1, 2023, requests for the medications listed on the following slide must be submitted to our PBM, Express Scripts (ESI), for review and processing under the pharmacy benefit or to MPC for review and processing under the medical benefit.
- This update is only for the autoimmune pilot with Eviti and does not impact the MPC partnership with the Eviti Oncology platform.



Pharmacy Benefit Medications:

Humira	llaris (canakinumab)	Otezla
Acthar Gel	Enbrel	Simponi Subq
Tremfya	Benlysta Subq	Stelara IV/Subq
Fasenra	llaris	Taltz
Orencia Subq	Kevzara	Xeljanz
Nucala	Skyrizi IV/Subq	Cimzia
Actemra Subq	Rinvoq	Kineret
Cosentyx		

Medical Benefit Medications:

Orencia IV	Benlysta IV	Actemra IV
Simponi Aria IV		



Autoimmune Pilot Termination

- For medications reviewed under the pharmacy benefit, providers must submit their prior authorization requests to ESI via e-PA system, fax at 1-877-251-5896 or may call directly into the ESI PA system at 1-800-753-2851 to initiate a prior authorization review.
- ➢For medications reviewed under the medical benefit, providers must submit their prior authorization requests to MPC via fax at 1-800-953-8856 and may call MPC with any questions at 1-800-953-8854.
- If you have any questions regarding the termination of this pilot, please reach out to our provider relations phone number at 1-800-953-8854.



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Please post your questions in the Q&A area of the Webinar! Thanks



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CMO Corner June 15, 2023



MPC began requiring outpatient procedures be performed in Ambulatory Surgery Centers (ASC) 10 years ago

- Began with GI and GU procedures
- Cost for ASC is up to ¼ the cost of outpatient hospital
- Expanded to Orthopedic and Pain Management in late Summer 2022
- GYN and General Surgery started in Spring 2023

Expectation that any procedure that can be performed in an ASC, will be performed in an ASC



Many procedures do not require PA if done in an ASC

- Outpatient hospital will typically require PA in these cases for Place of Service
- We are not looking for clinical justification for the procedure in those instances
- We want to know the clinical rationale that the procedure cannot be done in an ASC

If you have privileges with an ASC not in the MPC network – LET US KNOW!

- MPC will try to contract with them



Similar to the ASC policy, MPC is requiring that certain administered medications that can be provided in unregulated space be provided in unregulated space

- Normally, regulated space is any facility on a hospital campus
- It can include outpatient infusion centers, physician offices, etc.
- When in doubt, ask your finance people

Unlike the ASC policy, most of these medications require PA

- Will continue to require PA for medical necessity of the medication
- If done in regulated space, will also need PA for Place of Service
- This is done with one PA request (we will handle it all internally)



IVIG	Entyvio	Vyvgart
Iron Infusions	Antibiotics	Vyepti
Infliximab	Antifungals	Lemtrada
Ocrevus		Tysabri

Options for infusion:

- Unregulated infusion centers
- Physician office infusion center
- Home infusion

QUESTIONS?



MPC Provider Forum Feedback Survey



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