Provider Webinar

Molina Healthcare of Arizona August 14, 2024





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Welcome and Introductions

Molina Healthcare of Arizona Network Team:

- Kelley Pavkov, Director, Network Development
- Desirae Montano, Provider Relations Representative
- Ray Legenzoski, Provider Relations Representative
- Keri Lopez, Provider Relations Representative
- Beverly Diaz, Provider Relations Representative
- William Hernandez, Non-Par Provider Representative
- Robert Samaniego, Claims Educator
- Cynthia Thompson, Contract Manager



Molina Healthcare of Arizona News, alerts & updates



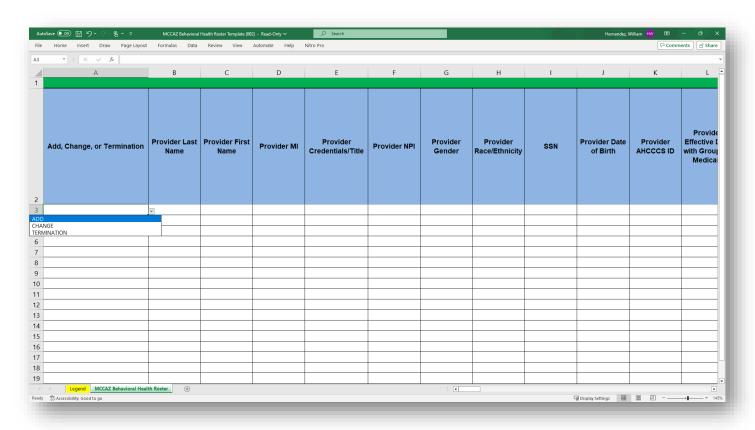






NEW: Network Management Forms

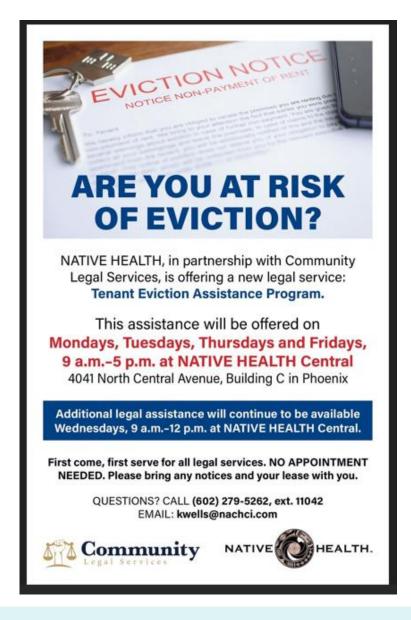
- Behavioral Health Roster Template
- Facility Roster Template
- Physician Roster Template



https://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/az/medicaid/forms/fuf.aspx



Tenant Eviction Assistance Program Opportunity





Urine Drug Testing for Substance Use Disorder Medical Necessity and Billing Guidelines

Effective with dates of services beginning August 1, 2024, The Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) will implement the following guidelines for urine drug testing (UDT) and billing for presumptive and definitive UDT relative to substance use disorders.

All providers who bill for Medicaid services in Arizona must fully understand and follow all existing laws, regulations and rules for Medicaid payment for drug testing and must properly submit only valid claims.

The full article is linked here:

https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/Downloads/ClaimsClues/2024/7302 024UrineDrugTestingForSubstanceUseDisorderMedicalNecessityandBillingGu idelines.pdf



IMPORTANT Update VFC Coding and Reimbursement Memo

It has come to AHCCCS' attention that there may be confusion regarding the reimbursement for immunization administration fees when Vaccines for Children (VFC) stock is administered to members.

The descriptions for 90460 and 90461 are silent as to what source of vaccine is being administered. AHCCCS is sharing this guidance for clarification and to ensure all managed care plans are reimbursing administration fees equitably when VFC stock is given to an eligible member.

Effective 10/1/24, per Contract, AHCCCS has increased the administration fee from \$15.43 to \$21.33.





ASD Template Due 10/15/2024

Please complete the following template for your Autism Spectrum Disorder Providers. Please complete it based on the correct tabs, Diagnosis ASD and Treating ASD. For all contracted providers, this is due 10/15/2024.

Name of Group	Tax ID	Name of Provider and Credentials	Provider NPI	Provider servicing location	Location Phone Number	Treatment Type
D: ACD	T					
Diagnosing ASD	Treating ASD					



MHAZ Autism Diagnosing & Treating Providers

Molina Healthcare of Arizona has published a new list of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Providers and Resources. Please open and review the lists link below.

- Autism Diagnosing Providers
- Autism Treating Providers



<u>Autism Spectrum Disorder Providers and Resources | Molina Healthcare Arizona</u>



IMPORTANT: Provider Data Accuracy and Validation

It is important for providers to ensure Molina has accurate practice and business information. Accurate information allows us to better support and serve our members and provider network.

Invalid information can negatively impact:

- X member access to care
- X member and/or PCP assignments and referrals
- X current information is critical for timely and accurate claims processing



Maintaining an accurate and current provider directory is a state and federal regulatory requirement, as well as an NCQA required element.

- ✓ Validate provider information on file with Molina at least once every 90 days
- ✓ Notify Molina of any changes, as soon as possible, but at a minimum 30 calendar days in advance of any changes
- ✓ Send an updated roster to your assigned provider services rep ever 30 days



Credentialing and Demographic Changes

Credentialing

- Additional practitioner added to group: Please submit AzAHP Practitioner form
 to your Provider Relations Representative or
 MCCAZProvider@molinahealthcare.com. Please ensure all pages are filled
 out to prevent delay in credentialing and loading. Please allow up to 120 days.
- Additional Facility added to group: Please submit AzAHP Facility form to your
 Provider Relations Representative or MCCAZ-Provider@molinahealthcare.com
 . Please ensure all pages are filled out to prevent delay in credentialing and loading. Please allow up to 120 days.

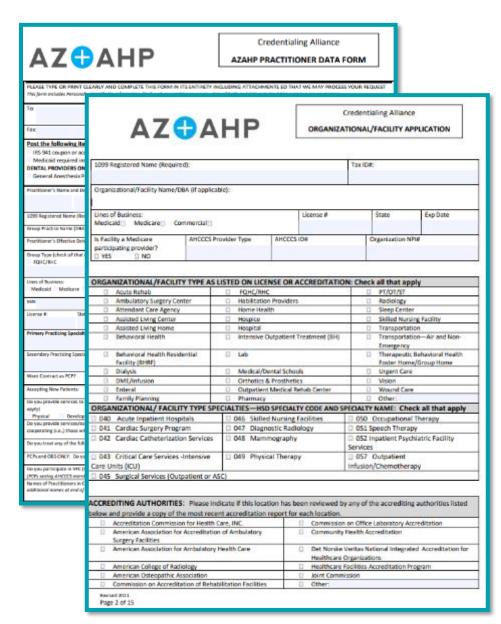
Demographic Changes

 Any demographic changes such as updated email, address, specialty, please submit the applicable form linked here to your Provider Relations Representative or MCCAZ-Provider@molinahealthcare.com. Please ensure all pages are filled out to prevent delay in loading.



Credentialing: Required Forms

- □ Please submit ALL pages of AzAHP forms when sending in credentialing for practitioners and new locations. Our credentialing Team will reject incomplete forms.
- ☐ The link to the most up-todate Network Management Forms are hyperlinked here





Date: March 25, 2024

Memo - Clarification of Respite Services AMPM 310B and 1250-D

This memo is being sent to all contracted providers to alert you to a concern that has come to the attention of AHCCCS regarding the use of respite services as defined in both AMPM 310-B and 1250-D. It has been reported that providers are prescribing respite hours to members as time for relief, reflection, and relaxation of the member rather than a caregiver.



https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/Downloads/ClaimsClues/2024/RespiteServicesAMPM310B1250-D.pdf



Date: April 1, 2024

Memo - Intensive Outpatient Coding Clarification

This memo is being sent to all contracted providers regarding the use of H0015 and S9480 for Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) services. AHCCCS has become aware of a shift in the utilization of these codes and is concerned providers who are billing S9480 do not meet the requirements for this level of service.



https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/Downloads/ClaimsClues/2024/IntensiveOutpatientProgramIOPCodingClarification.pdf



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https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/AHCCCSlistserve.html



Update for Skilled Nursing Facilities:

Attention Skilled Nursing Facilities:

Beginning February 15, 2024, all medications for Molina Medicaid members admitted to a Skilled Nursing Facility setting will be paid through the member's pharmacy benefit. The goal is to alleviate any barriers while taking care of our Members.

Please update your Pharmacy with the information below to adjudicate these claims:

BIN	004336
PCN	MCAIDADV
Groups	RX21EF, RX51BE,
	RX51BI

If you have any questions, please reach out to our Pharmacy Helpdesk: 844 910 3446 or MCCAZ-Provider@molinahealthcare.com



Reminder: AHCCCS Provider Enrollment Required

In accordance with the <u>21st Century Cures Act</u> and <u>AMPM 610 - AHCCCS Provider</u> <u>Qualifications</u>, all health care providers who refer AHCCCS members for an item or service, who order non-physician services for members, who prescribe medications to members, and who attend/certify medical necessity for services and/or who take primary responsibility for members' medical care must be enrolled as AHCCCS providers.

As a reminder, provider enrollment applications are managed via accessing the <u>AHCCCS</u> Provider Enrollment Portal.



Participating/Performing Provider Requirements



Model of Care Training and Attestation

If you are a DSNP provider and have not completed model of care training and attestation, please visit the below link to complete it. You can find the model of care training and attestation form under provider materials. Links to both can be found here:

- https://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/common/medicare/media/Molina/PublicWebsite/PDF/Providers/common/medicare/model-of-care-Provider-Training
- https://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/common/MOC/AZ



Claims information and Updates

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Claim Submission

Claims submission options



- Paper/mail
- Electronic submission



Clearing house options

- Change Health
- Availity



Claims address

Molina Complete Care P.O. Box 93152 Long Beach, CA 90809-9994





Reconsiderations

- If you receive remittance advice and believe the claim(s) was denied inappropriately or paid incorrectly, don't hesitate to contact our customer service unit or your provider representative. They can assist with having the impacted claims reviewed.
- IF you are not sure who your provider representative is, you can email the Provider Network team at MCCAZ-Provider@Molinahealthcare.com
- Resubmissions can take up to 45 days to process.
- The reconsideration request must contain the following information
 = Member's AHCCCS ID, Date(s) of service in question, Claim
 Number, and denial reason.



Replacement Claims

To replace a denied CMS 1500 claim:

Enter "7" in Field 22 (Medicaid Resubmission Code) and the CRN/Claim number of the denied claim or the CRN/Claim number of the claim to be adjusted in the field labeled "Original Ref. No." Failure to replace a 1500 claim without Field 22 completed will cause the claim to be considered a "new" claim and it won't link to the original denial/paid claim. The "new" claim may be denied as timely filing exceeded.

Replace the claim in its entirety, including all original lines if the claim contained more than one line. Note: Failure to include all lines of a multiple-line claim will result in recoupment of any paid lines that are not accounted for on the resubmitted claim.

To replace a denied UB-04, please ensure the CRN/Claim number of the denied claim or the CRN/Claim number of the claim to be adjusted is documented in field 64 of the UB-04 form.



Timely Filing

The initial claim must be submitted to Molina Healthcare of Arizona within six months of the date of service, even if payment from Medicare or other insurance has not been received.

If a claim is originally received within the six-month time frame, the provider has up to 12 months from the date of service to correctly resubmit the claim with the Medicare/Other Insurance payment Remit/EOB/EOMB. This must occur within 12 months of the date of service, which is the clean claim time frame.

*Subject to contract/SCA agreements



Provider Billing

- Provider(s) billing the group Tin in box 25 of the HCFA form must also bill the corresponding group NPI in box 33A. We continue to see improper billing with the physicians NPI listed in box 33A.
- ASC (Ambulatory Surgery Centers) are not eligible to bill on a UB04 form type in AZ. All charges must be billed on a HCFA-1500 form.
- For dates of service on and after 04/01/2015, in order to qualify for PPS reimbursement all FQHC, FQHC-LA, and RHC providers must utilize the appropriate NPI for the FQHC or RHC as the rendering provider for the claim. Also, must submit the participating provider in order to receive payment. (Note: PPS reimbursement will only apply to the FQHC or RHC provider)
- Ambulance Supplies Please ensure all charges for supplies are combined onto one line and with one charge. Ex. A0398



Provider Billing (continued)

Reporting School Site Information – Provider Types IC, 77 and 05:

In the event provider types IC, 77, or 05 provides care at a school place of service, the providers must also comply with the following guidelines for reporting the school site. The providers shall list themselves as the rendering provider. Additionally, the School Identifier as well as the participating provider shall be entered on the claim form. A listing of the school 9-digit CTDS identifier codes will be provided on the <u>AHCCCS Medical Coding Resources webpage.</u>

Provider types IC, 77, and 05 shall report one participating provider as outlined above, <u>followed by 3 spaces</u> then the applicable Identifier and values for the School Identifier.

EXAMPLE:

OBNNNNNNNN XXNPI/Provider Name

OR

XXNPI/Provider Name 0BNNNNNNNN

Provider types IC, 77, and 05 shall report two participating providers as outlined above, <u>followed by 3 spaces</u> then the applicable Identifier and values for the School Identifier.

School Identifier: 0B (State License) followed by 9 Digit School ID

0B**NNNNNNNN**



Provider Billing (continued)

Participating Providers for FQHC:

To retain information related to the actual professional practitioner (provider) participating in/performing services associated with PPS visits, that professional practitioner (provider) participating in/performing services must also be reported on all claims as outlined below.

EXAMPLE

Instructions for Billing Participating/Performing Professional Practitioner:

CMS Form 1500 (Paper/Web Claim): Field 19 - Additional Claim Information

Format Examples:

One Participating/Performing Provider – XXNPIProviderName (NPI if a registerable Provider) or 99999999ProviderName (no NPI if not a registerable Provider) (last, first, 20 characters) Example –

XX1987654321Smitherhouse, Michelle

Two Participating/Performing Providers -

XXNPIProviderName (NPI if a registerable Provider) or

999999999ProviderName (no NPI if not a registerable Provider) (last, first 20 characters)

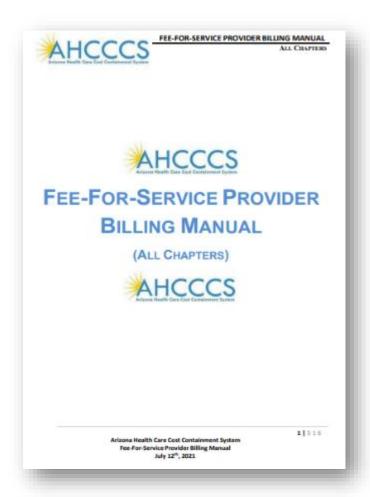
3 blanks XXNPIProviderName (NPI if a registerable Provider) or

999999999ProviderName (no NPI if not a registerable Provider) (last, first 20 characters)

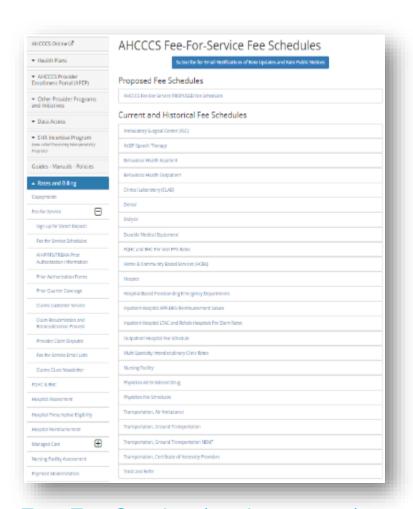
Example - XX1987654321Smitherhouse, Michelle XX2123456789Fredricksburg, Cynthia



Helpful AHCCCS Claim Resources



MasterFFSManual.pdf (azahcccs.gov)



Fee-For-Service (azahcccs.gov)



Optum Pause and Pay

In partnership with Optum, Molina will perform prepayment medical record reviews utilizing widely acknowledged national guidelines for billing practices and to support uniform billing for all payers. The prepayment claim reviews will look for overutilization and other inappropriate billing practices by reviewing state and federal policies sourced from Medicaid and Medicare rules utilized industry-wide and then applying appropriate analytics.

If your claim is identified for review, you will receive an EOP indicating that medical records have been requested. The EOP will contain the following Remit Remark Code and Message referencing each line:

Remit Remark Code: M127 Remit Message:

"Optum is requesting Medical Records on Molina's behalf. The allowed timeframe for Medical Record submission and any disputes is based on timely filing requirements. Please direct questions regarding this Medical Record request to Optum at (877) 244-0403."





Medical Coding Resources

AHCCS has updated various codes such as the following listed below. Please be sure to register for Email Notifications using the following link below.

Place of Service 27

Effective October 1, 2023, CMS released a new place of service.

Place of service (POS) 27 Outreach Site/Street

A non-permanent location on the street or found environment, not described by any other POS code, where health professionals provide preventive, screening, diagnostic, and/or treatment services to unsheltered homeless individuals.

POS 27 was added to the following codes:

H0001 Alcohol and/or drug assessment

H0002 Behavioral health screening to determine eligibility for admission to treatment program.

H0006 Alcohol and/or drug services; case management

H0025 Behavioral health prevention education service (delivery of services with target population to affect knowledge attitude and/or behavior).

H0038 Self-help/peer services per 15 minutes.

H2011 Crisis intervention service per 15 minutes.

T1002 RN services, up to 15 minutes.

T1003 LPN/LVN services, up to 15 minutes.

Subscribe for Email Notifications for Medical Coding Resources Updates

Medical Coding Resources (azahcccs.gov)



Molina Healthcare of Arizona Provider Resources





First quarter 2024 Provider Newsletter

A newsletter for Molina Healthcare of Arizona Providers



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https://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/az/medicaid/comm/communications.aspx



Molina Healthcare of AZ Provider Manual



Provider Manual

Molina Healthcare of Arizona, Inc. (Molina Healthcare)

Medicaid 2024

Provider Manual (molinahealthcare.com)



Molina Healthcare of Arizona Contact Center

If you have any questions, please call us at 1-800-424-5891 Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., (PST)

We can help answer any questions you have regarding:

- Authorizations
- Claims
- □ Eligibility
- Benefit Questions

Please find our contact information hyperlinked here



Molina Healthcare of Arizona Availity Overview

Availity Essentials is a secure, multi-payer platform where healthcare providers and health plans collaborate by exchanging administrative and clinical information. Providers may use Availity to view and manage:

- ☐ Eligibility & Benefits
- Patient Search
- Attachments
- Appeals
- Claim Status
- Quick Claims
- Claims Correction
- Payer Space
- Overpayments





Availity Contact information

First-time users create an account following this link: https://apps.availity.com/web/onboarding/portal-entry/#/create-account

If you already have an Availity Essentials account and need support, please click LOGIN below and submit a ticket. (24 hours a day, 7 days a week) or call Availity Client Services at 1-800-282-4548 between 8:00 am and 8:00 pm Eastern, Monday through Friday.









Availity - Training and Education

The following free, live and on-demand Availity training is available for all registered users:

- Webinars to introduce audiences to Availity tools
- ☐ Product demos showing how to get the most out of Availity tools
- ☐ Help topics with detailed steps for completing a transaction
- Monthly updates on new and evolving tools

How to Access

Availity Essentials (Portal)

- 1. Log in to Availity Essentials
- 2. Click Help & Training | Get Trained

Essentials Pro (Revenue Cycle Management)

- 1. Log in to Essentials Pro
- 2. Click Support | Availity Learning Center in the upper right





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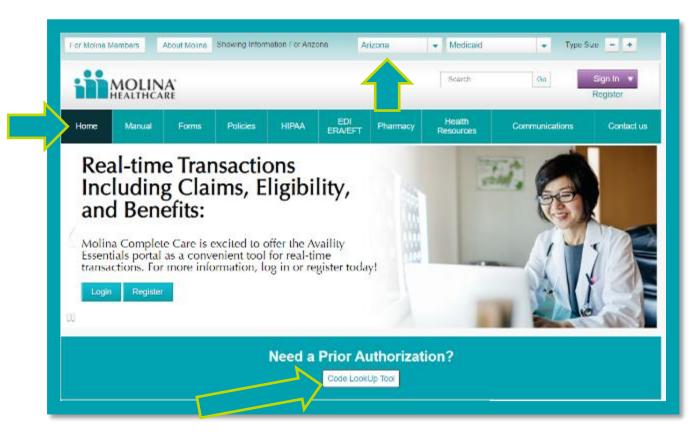
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Prior Authorization Look up Tool





The tool is hyperlinked <u>here</u>



Prior Authorizations

Please visit <u>www.MCCofAZ.com/for-providers/provider-materials/</u> as we have updated information about prior authorizations.

Prior authorization requests may be sent by fax:

Prior Auth – Inpatient Fax	(888) 656-2201
Prior Auth – All Non-Inpatient Fax	(888) 656-7501
Behavioral Health - Inpatient Fax	(888) 656-2201
Behavioral Health - All Non-Inpatient Fax	(888) 656-7501
Pharmacy Authorizations Fax	(844) 271-6887
Radiology Authorizations Fax	(877) 731-7218
Transplant Authorizations Fax	(877) 813-1206
NICU Authorizations Fax	(888) 656-2201



EPSDT/Maternity

Forms must be submitted for the following:

EPSDT

 Per AHCCCS AMPM 430 Use of AHCCS Clinical Sample templates Current Version on:

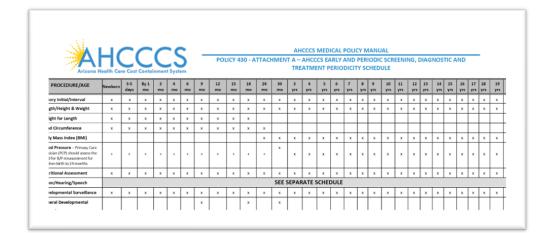
AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM) (azahcccs.gov)

- Completion of templates in full to include PCP signature who completed Well Visit.
- EPSDT Forms received via:
 - Fax: 888-656-7539
 - Email:

MCCAZ-

EPSDTFormsFax@MolinaHealthCare.Com

- Mailed: Molina Healthcare of Arizona Inc. 5055 E Washington Ste 210 Phoenix, AZ 85034 ATTN EPSDT
- All age-appropriate assessments and screenings must be completed as indicated on the AHCCCS Periodicity schedules.
 - 430 AttachmentA.docx (live.com)





EPSDT/Maternity

Newborn Notification

- Per AHCCCS AMPM 410
 Maternity Care Services
 Notifications to HealthPlan:
 - Newborn Notification Forms
 - Newborn Notification Form (molinahealthcare.com)
 - Fax 888-656-7541



Pregnancy & Family Planning

- Per AHCCCS AMPM 410
 Maternity Care Services & AMPM 420 Family Planning Notifications to HealthPlan:
 - https://www.molinahealthcare. com/providers/az/medicaid/for ms/fuf.aspx
- Pregnancy Notification/Sterilization/Termination:
 - Fax: 888-656-7541

MCCAZ-PregnancyTerm@MolinaHealthC are.com



Well Women's Preventative Care Services

Covered services included as part of a well-woman preventive care visit: An annual well-woman preventive care visit is intended for the identification of risk factors for disease, identification of existing physical/behavioral health problems, and promotion of healthy lifestyle habits essential to reducing or preventing risk factors for various disease processes. As such, the well-woman preventive care visit is inclusive of a minimum of the following:

- Availability of Well Women's Preventative Care Services, Visit inclusive of a minimum of the following: Reference AMPM
 411 <u>AMPM Policy 411 (azahcccs.gov)</u>
 - A physical exam (Well Exam) that assesses overall health
 - Clinical Breast Exam
 - Pelvic Exam(as necessary, according to current recommendations and best standards of practice)
 - Review of Immunizations and Screenings, and testing as appropriate for age and risk factors as specified in AMPM Chapter 300
 - Screening and counseling related to a healthy lifestyle and minimizing health risks and addresses at a minimum the following:
 - Proper nutrition,
 - · Physical activity,
 - Elevated BMI indicative of obesity,
 - Tobacco/substance use, abuse, and/or dependency,
 - Depression screening,
 - Interpersonal and domestic violence screening, that includes counseling involving elicitation of
 information from women and adolescents about current/past violence and abuse, in a culturally sensitive
 and supportive manner to address current health concerns about safety and other current or future
 health problems,
 - Sexually transmitted infections,
 - Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV),
 - Family Planning Services and Supplies, (refer to AMPM Policy 420)



Well Women's Preventative Care Services

Preconception Counseling that includes discussion regarding a healthy lifestyle before and between pregnancies that includes:

- Reproductive history and sexual practices,
- Healthy weight, including diet and nutrition, as well as the use of nutritional supplements and folic acid intake
- Physical activity or exercise,
- Oral health care,
- Chronic disease management,
- Emotional wellness,
- Tobacco and substance use (caffeine, alcohol, marijuana, and other drugs), including prescription drug use, and
- Recommended intervals between pregnancies, and
- Initiation of necessary referrals when the need for further evaluation, diagnosis, and/or treatment is identified.
- Genetic Screening & Testing are not a covered, except as specified in AMPM Policy 310-II
- Immunizations: AHCCCS covers immunizations recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices Recommended Schedule as specified on the CDC website https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/index.html
- Providers are required to coordinate with The Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS)
 Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program in the delivery of immunization services if providing vaccinations to Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) aged members less than 19 years of age and register immunizations with ASIIS.



MCG Cite AutoAuth Overview

- Molina Healthcare of Arizona partners with MCG health to provide the Cite AutoAuth self-service method for all lines of business to submit advanced imaging prior authorization (PA)
- Cite AutoAuth can be accessed via the Availity Single Sign-on portal 24 hours per day/7 days per week. This submission method is strongly encouraged as your primary submission route, existing fax/phone/email processes will also be available. Molina will review clinical information submitted with the PA. This system will provide quicker and more efficient processing of your authorization request, and the status of the authorization will be available **immediately** upon completion of your submission.



MCG Cite AutoAuth Overview

- By attaching the relevant care guideline content to each PA request and sending it directly to Molina, healthcare providers receive an expedited, often immediate, response. Through a customized rules engine, Cite AutoAuth compares Molina's specific criteria to the clinical information and attached guideline content to the procedure to determine potential for auto authorization.
- Self-services available in the Cite AutoAuth tool include, but are not limited to: MRIs, CTs, PET scans. To see the full list of imaging codes that require PA, refer to the PA code Lookup Tool at MolinaHealthcare.com.

Thank you for your partnership in caring for Molina Healthcare members.





What is Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)?

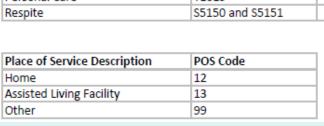
Pursuant to Section 1903 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b), also known as the 21st Century Cures Act, in order to prevent a reduction in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP), AHCCCS is mandated to implement Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) for non-skilled in-home services (attendant care, personal care, homemaker, habilitation, respite) and for in-home skilled nursing services (home health.) AHCCCS is mandating EVV for personal care and home health services beginning January 1, 2021.



Electronic Visit Verification (cont.)

Provider Description	Provider Type
Attendant Care Agency	PT 40
Behavioral Outpatient Clinic	PT 77
Community Service Agency	PT A3
Fiscal Intermediary	PT F1
Habilitation Provider	PT 39
HomeHealth Agency	PT 23
Integrated Clinic	PT IC
Non-Medicare Certified	
HomeHealth Agency	PT 95
Private Nurse	PT 46

Service	HCPCS Service Codes	DDD Focus Codes		
Attendant Care	S5125	ATC		
Companion Care	S5135 and S5136			
Habilitation	T2017	HAH, HAI		
Home Health Services				
(aide, therapy, and part-time/intermittent nursing services)				
Nursing	G0299 and G0300			
Home Health Aide	T1021			
Physical Therapy	G0151 and S9131			
Occupational Therapy	G0152 and S9129			
Respiratory Therapy	S5181			
Speech Therapy	G0153 and S9128			
Private Duty Nursing				
(continuous nursing services)	S9123 and S9124	HN1, HNR		
Homemaker	S5130	HSK		
Personal Care	T1019			
Respite	S5150 and S5151	RSP, RSD		





For more information, please see the link directly to AHCCCS:

https://www.azahcccs.gov/AHCCCS/Initiatives/EVV/



Contracting

- If there is a Tax ID change, please send email to MCCAZ-<u>Provider@molinahealthcare.com</u> with an updated W9, AzAHP form and your old Tax ID and new Tax ID. Please allow 120 days for processing.
- Requests for a copy of your contract need to be directed to <u>MCCAZ-Provider@molinahealthcare.com</u>
- New Contract requests should be sent to <u>MCCAZ-</u>
 <u>Provider@molinahealthcare.com</u> and should include the following:
- ✓ Current W9
- ✓ AzAHP form for group
- ✓ AzAHP form for each provider billing under your Group Tax ID
- **✓** Extensive scope of services
- ✓ List of codes to be billed
- ✓ Contact information for signing authority



Tribal and Cultural Competency Program

Cassandra Peña
Tribal Liaison & Cultural Competency Coordinator



2nd Annual Tribal Health Symposium Registration Now Open!



2nd Annual Molina Healthcare Tribal Health Symposium Tickets, Tue, Oct 22, 2024 at 8:00 AM | Eventbrite



We need your input!

Provider Cultural Competency Training Evaluation

Please complete the following short survey

 https://molinahealthcare.surveymo nkey.com/r/WMKGZ9K



- Open your camera app and point it at the code.
- Once your camera recognizes the QR code, a notification will pop up that features a link.
- Tap on this link and your phone will direct you to the website.



Tribal Liaison and Cultural Competency Coordinator

Questions?

Contact: Cassandra Peña

Email: Cassandra.Pena@molinahealthcare.com

Phone: 480-589-0680



Quality Management

Itzel Cordova Specialist, Quality Management



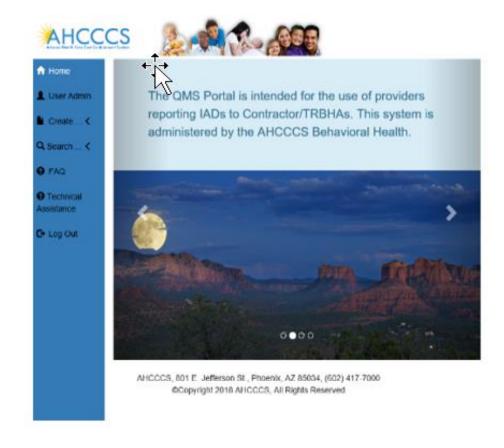
Quality Management Topics

- AHCCCS Quality Management System (QMS) Portal & Policy
- Incident, Accident, and Death (IAD) Reporting
- Mortality Reporting
- Quality of Care (QOC) Review & Investigations
- Seclusion and Restraint (SAR) Reporting
 - Individual
 - Monthly
- Auditing & Monitoring
- Molina Quality Submissions
- Molina Quality Team Contact Information



AHCCCS Quality Management System (QMS) Portal Review & Policy Guidance

- Incident, Accident, and Death Reporting Guide <u>www.qmportal.azahcccs.gov/UserGuides/QuickStart_IAD_Report_Submit.pdf</u>
- AHCCCS Portal www.qmportal.azahcccs.gov/Default.aspx





AMPM Policy 961

Incident, Accident, and Death (IAD) Reporting Requirements

AHCCCS QM Portal

- Sentinel, non-sentinel events
- Mortalities

Reporting to Molina QM to be done immediately upon provider notification of member's death.

AHCCCS requires health plans to report member deaths to the state as timely as possible, so please ensure internal processes are in place to report mortalities to Molina QM as soon as they are discovered.



AMPM Policy 961 (cont.)

IAD Helpful Hints

- 1. Detailed summary of event: completeness, timelines for outreach/reengagement, if death OME case status
- 2. Reporting to external agencies: Department of Child Safety (DCS), Adult Protective Services (APS), Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS), the Attorney General's Office, Law enforcement, AHCCCS/Office of the Inspector General (OIG)
 - Name/title of person submitting the report, name of regulatory agency, name and title of person at regulatory agency receiving the report, date and time reported, summary of report, and tracking/report number



AMPM Policy 960

Quality of Care (QOC) Concerns

- Perform initial review and determine severity level
- Prioritize member's immediate health & safety needs; perform on-site visits for health & safety concerns, immediate jeopardy, or at discretion of AHCCCS
- Review medical records, policies and procedures, perform interviews, mortality review(s), internal investigations
- Provider determinations: TA, CAP
- High profile cases will be referred to PRC



AMPM Policy 960 (cont.)

QOC Helpful Hints

- 1. Responsiveness, timeliness to all inquiries
- 2. Documentation review can open other avenues of investigation and questions
- 3. Provider Quality Contact

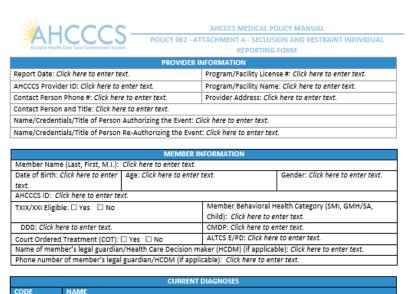


AMPM Policy 962, Reporting and Monitoring of Seclusion and Restraint

• Within five (5) business days of event, submit Attachment A to

MCCAZ-QOC@molinahealthcare.com

 Any seclusion and/or restraint events resulting in injury or complication requiring medical attention must be reported (as an IAD) to Molina via QMS Portal within 24 hours of the incident



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AMPM Policy 962, Reporting and Monitoring of Seclusion and Restraint (cont.)

For reporting purposes, please ensure the following:

- 1. Complete all data fields on the Policy 962, Attachment A, Seclusion and Restraint Individual Reporting Form (SRIRF)
 - If data field is not applicable, please add "N/A" or add comment clarifying why the data isn't included.
 - Empty data fields will be returned d/t SRIRF being interpreted as incomplete.
 - Molina Quality may return incomplete SRIRF's for clarifications or reach out to providers directly
- 2. For provider corrections made on the forms; single line through the error and add initials and date.
 - Do not scratch out or write over any errors
- 3. Submit all supporting documentation such as:
 - Copies of SAR initiating orders
 - Flowsheets/monitoring logs



AMPM Policy 962, Reporting and Monitoring of Seclusion and Restraint (cont.)

- Molina QM has fully reinstated the requirement for monthly SAR reporting by the 5th of each month.
- Molina QM acknowledges AHCCCS no longer requires SAR monthly reporting, however, as a best practice we have reinstated this process for quality performance to ensure compliance with AMPM Policy 962.
- On April 23rd, Molina Healthcare sent the *Seclusion and/or Restraint* (SAR) Monthly Reporting Form to our providers with instructions and methods to submit to Molina QM.
- For any questions and/or requests involving SAR reporting, education, and training, please email MCCAZ-QOC@MolinaHealthcare.com.



Site Visits and Auditing

• Unannounced, Urgent, Immediate:

- Health & Safety
- Immediate Jeopardy
- QOC Concern
- Provider Performance

Announced, Planned, Scheduled:

- ACC Contract & AMPM Policy 910
- Service & Service Site (S3)
 - BHCCA
 - AMRR
 - CSA
 - EVV
 - PRSS
 - BHRF





Provider Quality Performance Monitoring

- IAD
- IRF
- Mortality Reporting
- QOC Investigations
- SAR Reporting
- Systemic Investigations
- Audit Findings:
 - BHCCA
 - AMRR
 - CSA
 - EVV
 - PRSS
 - BHRF
 - All routine (S3) & unscheduled site visits

- Tracking & Trending of non- and under-reporting of all case types
- Quarterly reporting to Molina's
 Quality Improvement & Health
 Equity Transformation
 Committee for governance oversight





Quality Information, Submissions, and Requests

Please contact Molina Healthcare Quality Department with any questions or concerns at:

	MCCAZ-QOC@molinahealthcare.com	MCCAZ-HEDIS@molinahealthcare.com	MCCAZ-Quality@molinahealthcare.com
•	 Quality of Care Concerns Medical records for QOC Provider correspondence Questions 	 Care opportunities report requests Performance measure questions Medical records for HEDIS 	Auditing communication & medical records
•	Seclusion and Restraint Reports o AMPM Policy 962, Attachment A		

Please note: Due to elevated security concerns, a cover letter with contact information and a description of the information provided within the email is required. Emails without proper identification may not be reviewed by Molina Healthcare QM staff.



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Workforce Development and Employment Administrator



Monitoring Workforce Competencies







Member Engagement – job application, job retention, job coaching, etc.



Billing correctly for Employment services



AZ DB101 - How earned income may impact financial and medical benefits



RSA / VR – Promotion and Referrals



Consider supportive services such as assistive technology and customized employment



ACOM Policy 407

Contractor requirements to establish and maintain a Workforce Development Operation (WFDO) to monitor and collect information about the workforce, collaboratively plan workforce development initiatives and when necessary, provide direct assistance to strengthen provider workforce development programs.



AHCCCS, Contractors, and provider organizations work together to ensure that members receive services from a workforce that is qualified, competent, and sufficiently staffed



Monitor, assess, forecast, plan, and provide technical assistance both independently and in coordination with the WFDOs of the other Contractors



Provide technical assistance to providers to develop, implement, and improve workforce recruitment, selection, evaluation, education, and training and retention programs.



Arizona Workforce Development Alliance







Competency Resources



Child and Family Team Resources



RELIAS Resources /
User Guides



Health Plans Training Plans (required)



THANK YOU

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Quality Improvement



Quality Improvement Topics

- Quality Measures
- Provider Tip Sheets
- Quality Improvement and Health Equity Transformation Committee
- VFC Enrollment
- Molina Days
- Supplemental Data
- EMR
- Best Practices



Quality Measures

- Quality measures assess the performance and improvement of population health, health plans, providers, and clinicians in delivering healthcare services for:
 - Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT)
 - Physical, mental, developmental, dental, hearing, vision, and other screening tests
 - Maternity
 - Women's Health
 - Chronic Care: Hypertension, diabetes, asthma, COPD, etc.
 - Primary Care
 - Specialists
 - Care Coordination
 - Medication Management
 - Alcohol and Drug Use/Abuse Treatment
 - Behavioral Health



Priority Measures: EPSDT

HEDIS Measure	Description
Well-Child Visits in the First 30 Months of Life (W30)	Six or more comprehensive well-care visit with a PCP from 1 month to 15 months of life.
Child and Adolescent Well-Care Visits (WCV)	At least one comprehensive well-care visit with a PCP or OB/GYN practitioner during 2024.
Childhood Immunization Status (CIS)	Children 2 years of age who had the following vaccines by their second birthday: DTaP, IPV, MMR, HiB, Hep B, VZV, Pneumococcal, Hep A, Rotavirus, Influenza
Immunizations for Adolescents (IMA)	Adolescents 13 years of age who received the following vaccines on or before the 13th birthday: Meningococcal, Tdap, HPV
Weight Assessment and Counseling for Nutrition and Physical Activity for Children/Adolescents (WCC)	Patients 3-17 years of age who had an outpatient visit with a PCP or OB/GYN provider and who had evidence of the following during 2023: BMI percentile documentation; Counseling for nutrition or referral for nutrition education; Counseling for physical activity or referral for physical activity
Oral Evaluation Dental Services (OED)	The percentage of members under 21 years of age who received a comprehensive or periodic oral evaluation by a dental provider during the measurement year.



Priority Measures: Women's Health

HEDIS Measure	Description	
Breast Cancer Screening (BCS)	At least one mammogram any time on or between October 1, 2022 and December 31, 2024.	
Cervical Cancer Screening (CCS)	 Women who were screened for cervical cancer using either of the following criteria: Women 24-64years of age who had cervical cytology performed within the last 3 years; Women 30-64 years of age who had cervical high-risk human papillomavirus (hrHPV) testing performed within the last 5 years; or Women 30-64 years of age who had cervical cytology/high-risk human papillomavirus (hrHPV) cotesting performed within the last 5 years. 	
Chlamydia Screening in Women (CHL)	At least one chlamydia test during the measurement year for women identified as sexually active.	



Priority Measures: Maternity

HEDIS Measure	Description		
Timeliness of Prenatal Care	One prenatal visit with an OBGYN during the first trimester for existing members, or on or before the enrollment start date through 42 days after for new members.		
Postpartum Care	One postpartum visit with an OBGYN practitioner or other prenatal care practitioner, or PCP on or between 7 and 84 days after delivery.		



Priority Measures: All other areas

HEDIS Measure	Description			
Plan All-Cause Readmission (PCR)	At least one acute readmission for any diagnosis within 30 days of discharge date (lower rates mean better performance)			
Follow-Up After Hospitalization for Mental Illness (FUH)	Follow-up visit with a mental health provider with a principal diagnosis of a mental health disorder within 1-7 days of discharge			
Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for Substance Use (FUA)	Follow-up visit within 7 days of emergency department (ED) visits for patients 13 years of age and older with a principal diagnosis of substance use disorder (SUD), or any diagnosis of drug overdose.			
Hemoglobin A1c Control for Patients With Diabetes (HBD)	Members 18–75 years of age with diabetes (types 1 and 2) whose hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) was below >9.0% during 2024.			
Controlling High Blood Pressure (CBP)	Members 18-85 years of age, who had at least two visits on different dates of service and had a diagnosis of hypertension (HTN) on or between January 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024, and whose blood pressure (BP) was adequately controlled.			



Priority Measures: All other areas (cont'd)

HEDIS Measure	Description			
Antidepressant Medication Management (AMM)	Members 18 years of age and older who were treated with antidepressant medication, had a diagnosis of major depression and who remained on an antidepressant medication treatment.			
Asthma Medication Ratio (AMR)	Patients 5-64 years of age who were identified as having persistent asthma and had a ratio of controller medications to total asthma medications of 0.50 or greater during 2024.			
Metabolic Monitoring for Children and Adolescents on Antipsychotics (APM)	Children or adolescents 1 - 17 years of age who had at least two or more antipsychotic prescriptions and had metabolic testing.			
Adherence to Antipsychotic Medications for Individuals With Schizophrenia (SAA)	Patients with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder who were dispensed and remained on an antipsychotic medication for at least 80% of their treatment period.			
Diabetes Screening for People With Schizophrenia or Bipolar Disorder Who Are Using Antipsychotic Medications (SSD)	Patients 18-64 years of age with schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder or bipolar disorder, who were dispensed an antipsychotic medication and had a diabetes screening test (glucose test or HbA1c test) during 2024.			



Provider Tip Sheets

https://availitylearning.learnupon.com/catalog/course s/2657214

HEDIS® Tips:

Well-Child Visits in the First 30 Months of Life (W30)

MEASURE DESCRIPTION

The percentage of patients who had the following number of well-child visits with a PCP during the last 15 months. The following rates are reported:

- Well-Child Visits in the First 15 Months. Children who turned 15 months old during the measurement year: Six or more well-child visits.
- 2. Well-Child Visits for Age 15 Months-30 Months. Children who turned 30 months old during the measurement year: Two or more well-child visits.

Note: The well-child visit must occur with a PCP, but the PCP does not have to be the practitioner assigned to the child.

CODES INCLUDED IN THE CURRENT HEDIS® MEASURE

Description	Code
Well-Care Visits	CPT®: 99381-99385, 99391-99395, 99461
	HCPCS: G0438, G0439, S0302, S0610, S0612, S0613
	ICD-10 CM: Z00.00, Z00.01, Z00.110, Z00.111, Z00.121, Z00.129,
	Z00.2, Z00.3, Z01.411, Z01.419. Z02.5, Z76.1, Z76.2

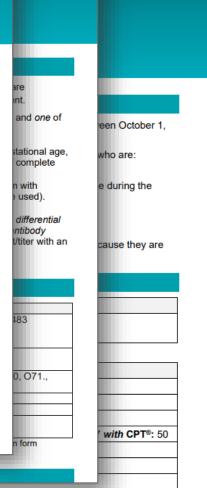
Codes to Identify Telehealth Appointments

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Quality Improvement and Health Equity Transformation Committee

What is the QIC?

The Quality Management/Performance Improvement (QM/PI) Committee (referred to as the Quality Improvement Committee [QIC]) is responsible for the implementation, oversight, and ongoing monitoring of Molina Healthcare of Arizona's QM/PI Program. The QIC recommends policy decisions, analyzes, and evaluates the progress and outcomes of all quality improvement activities, institutes needed action and ensures follow-up.

Who is the QIC?

The Quality Improvement Committee is chaired by the Chief Medical Officer and includes participation of key health plan leaders who are responsible for operations and clinical functional areas for all lines of business. Molina Healthcare of Arizona QIC membership includes:

- The local CMO/designated Medical Director as the chairperson of the Committee. The local CMO/designated Medical Director designates the local Associate Medical Director as her designee only when the CMO/designated Medical Director is unable to attend the meeting.
- The QM/PI Director
- Representation from the functional areas within the organization,
- Representation of contracted or affiliated providers serving AHCCCS members, and
- Clinical representatives of both Molina Healthcare of Arizona and the provider network.

Contact

If you have any questions or would like more information on the QIC and Health Equity Transformation Committee, please reach out to Molina QI at MCCAZ-HEDIS@molinahealthcare.com.



VFC Enrollment – Reenrollment

Arizona Vaccines for Children (VFC)

VFC program overview

The VFC program is a federally funded program that provides vaccines at no cost to children who might not be vaccinated because of an inability to afford vaccines. Children that are 18 years and under and meet at least one of the following criteria are eligible to receive vaccines from the VFC program:

- AHCCCS enrolled, children who are eligible for the state Medicaid program
- uninsured, children not covered by any health insurance plan
- American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN), this population is defined by the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1603). AI/AN children are VFC eligible under any circumstance
- under-insured, * children who have private insurance that does not cover some or all Advisory
 Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommended vaccines
 - *Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC), Rural Health Centers (RHC), county health departments and approved deputized providers are the only providers that are allowed to serve the VFC eligibility category of underinsured

VFC vaccines must be delivered to the facility that they will be administered at. Please review the AZDHS VFC Program Information and Enrollment website for more information about member eligibility.



VFC Enrollment – Reenrollment cont.

Re-Enrollment

All Molina Health Care primary care providers (PCPs) must complete their Vaccines for Children (VFC) program re-enrollment. 2024 TBA

This means all PCPs must be actively enrolled with the VFC program to have Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) eligible members younger than 19 assigned to them. If a PCP is not enrolled with or inactivates from the VFC program, members younger than 19 will need to be reassigned.

Questions

Please refer to the AHCCCS Medical Policy 430 for more information on the enrollment requirement. Additional program information is also available in the VFC Operations Guide.

Helpful Links

AMPM Policy 430 (azahcccs.gov)

ADHS - Arizona Immunization Program - Vaccines for Children (VFC) - VFC Operations Guide and Resources (azdhs.gov)

Arizona Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Operations Guide; (azdhs.gov)



Host a Molina day at your practice!

What are the benefits of hosting a Molina Day event?

Molina Day events offer a fun way to encourage Molina Healthcare members to obtain the health services they need while improving your HEDIS® rates and decreasing no-shows. It also improves communication between members and providers.

Molina Day Background

Molina Healthcare launched a program in 2019 to improve the health status and outcomes of our members. This program engages with providers to improve access to care for our members and your patients. Working with your practice and utilizing an outreach strategy, we target members for specific recommended health services.



We want to help you!

- · Improve HEDIS® performance
- Identify and manage patient population in need of care
- Support your administrative staff to get patients engaged with your practice
- · Reduce no-shows

Why does Molina Healthcare conduct Molina Days?

Molina Days are valuable because they:

- Increase HEDIS® scores
- Improve the health and quality of life of our members
- Improve engagement with your practice
- Encourage member and provider satisfaction

What support can Molina Healthcare Provide?

When hosting a Molina Day, Molina Healthcare will:

- Analyze data to identify members with care opportunities
- Empower and educate members to get engaged with their provider
- Distribute member invitations and appointment reminders
- Offer member incentives



Host a Molina day at your practice! Cont.

Where will the Molina Day take place?

The event will take place at your preferred practice location.

What will be conducted during a Molina Day event?

Molina will serve as support for the event by:

- Welcoming members with marketing activities
- Provide members with health plan benefit information and educational materials
- Help members obtain community resources

How are members identified?

While every member is very important, not all members in your practice's panel will be targeted for participation. Only members within your practice who have not completed specific health services or screenings will be targeted for the Molina Day event.

What measures are taken to discourage no-shows during a Molina Day event?

Prior to the event, Quality specialists will work with members to identify solutions to any barriers that may cause a no-show to occur.

We will help by:

- Scheduling transportation
- Reschedule appointments as needed
- Completing reminder calls in the days prior

How can your practice support the success of the Molina Day event?

- Work with Quality specialists to finalize outreach strategies
- Provide Quality specialists with updated member demographics
- Engage with Quality specialists to ensure the success of the event



Supplemental Data

Closing Gaps with Supplemental Data

Standard supplemental data are electronic files that come from providers who render services to members. Production of these files follows clear policies and procedures, and standard file layouts remain stable from year to year.

Non-standard supplemental data is data used to capture missing service data not received through administrative (claim) sources or in the standard files. Examples include patient self-reported services or the use of data abstraction forms.



How to Submit HEDIS Data to Molina

Supplemental data may be submitted to Molina through several methods:

- •Fax Medical Records to Molina: Fax number:
- •Email Medical Records to Molina: MCCAZ-

HEDIS@molinahealthcare.com

•EMR or Registry data exchange (SFTP)

Upload records via the Availity

https://availitylearning.learnupon.com/catalog/courses/2657214 Supplemental data documents consisting of medical records should include the following:

- •Member's Name
- •Member's Date of Birth
- Provider signature (electron signature acceptable)

Data Copied and pasted from medical records is NOT acceptable.

Submission deadline for Supplemental Data:

*Reporting year data must be submitted by January 15th of the following year after the reporting year.



Remote EMR Access

Provide Remote EMR Access

What is EMR Remote Access? The practice provides Molina Healthcare with off-site EMR access. Molina then utilizes a secure connection from the practice EMR system through Molina Healthcare Secure VPN to retrieve only Molina member's medical records for the purpose of closing HEDIS care gaps.

HEDIS is the *Healthcare Effectiveness Data Information Set*, a standardized set of performance measures developed by the *National Committee for Quality Assurance* (NCQA). HEDIS is a time-sensitive project and

Benefits of providing Molina with remote EMR access

- Remote EMR Access allows Molina Healthcare to effectively retrieve Molina member's records without placing an administrative burden on the practice.
- Molina's HEDIS Specialists will retrieve data and do not require onset accommodations.
- Molina HEDIS Specialists are trained to identify the necessary data required by HEDIS and yield greater outcomes.

How to grant Molina access? Contact *Katti Diaz* at katti.diaz@molinahealthcare.com to start the process.





Best Practices

- Yearly preventative Care
 - Ensure every AHCCCS member receives at least one annual wellness visit each year to check for new health issues, monitor existing conditions, medication adherence, etc.
- Breast Cancer Screening
 - Send lists of members with mammogram orders to Molina Quality Improvement (MCCAZ-HEDIS@molinahealthcare.com) to follow up on mammogram scheduling and supports for members

- All measures
 - Send lists of members who missed scheduled appointments to Molina Quality Improvement (MCCAZ-MissedAppts@MolinaHealthCare.Com) to follow up on scheduling and supports for members
- Plan All-Cause Readmissions
 - Comprehensive discharge planning, patient education, medication reconciliation, follow-up care coordination, and effective communication among healthcare providers.



Member Incentives

Confirmed through claims or medical records.

- Well Child Visit WCV
 - Bike & Helmet for ages 8-10
 - \$50 Gift Card for ages 3-7
 - \$50 Gift Card for ages 11-21
- Breast Cancer Screening BCS
 - \$100 Gift Card ages 50-74

- Prenatal Care PPC (First trimester on or before enrollment or with 42days of enrollment)
 - 9 month Instacart membership
 - Monthly grocery allowance



Molina's Housing Program

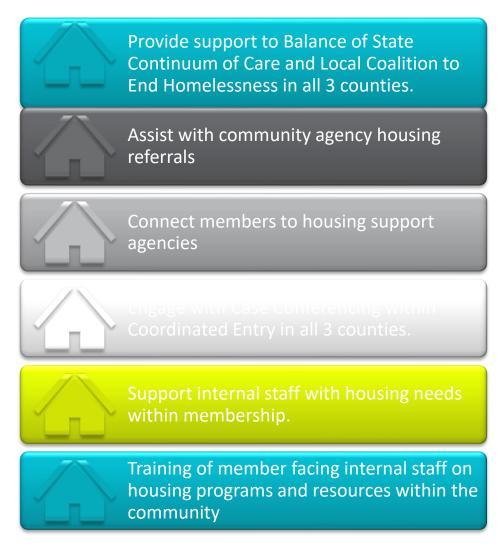


Cinda Thorne, Housing Administrator



Housing Administrator

- Assists community agencies in participating and addressing the housing crisis in Pinal, Gila, and Maricopa County.
- Support the member and agencies with navigating and identifying the appropriate resource to address their specific housing need.
- Support in community efforts to address, train, and support changes to housing eligibility criteria for temporary and permanent housing solutions.
- Actively engaged in Coordinated Entry process and development.



Select an item above to read more



Acom 448



AHCCCS CONTRACTOR OPERATIONS MANUAL

CHAPTER 400 - OPERATION

448 - PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

EFFECTIVE DATES: 07/01/16, 10/01/21, 10/01/22

APPROVAL DATES: 07/01/16, 07/01/21, 06/16/22

I. PURPOSE

This Policy applies to ACC, ACC-RBHA, ALTCS E/PD, and DES/DDD (DDD) Contractors; and Fee-For-Service (FFS) populations, including American Indian Health Program (AIHP), Tribal ALTCS, and TRBHA; excluding Federal Emergency Services (FES). This Policy specifies the scope of programs and activities included within AHCCCS Housing Program (AHP) services, duties of the Contractor, and the AHCCCS Housing Administrator related to coordination and delivery of supportive housing programs including AHP programs, and the process for development, implementation and management of housing programs and related funds for the eligible populations through the Arizona Serious Mental Illness Housing Trust Fund (SMI HTF). TRBHA responsibilities regarding SMI housing are outlined in their Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA).

II. DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this policy:

APPLICATION

The process of initiating the AHCCCS Housing Program (AHP) housing process by submission of form by providers on behalf of eligible persons.

NON-TITLE XIX/XXI STATE GENERAL FUND ALLOCATIONS

State General Fund appropriations made to AHCCCS that provide Non Medicaid funding for housing and related supports primarily for persons determined SMI. These funds are the core of the AHP and consist of the SMI General Fund and the Supportive Housing appropriations. While both can serve persons determined SMI, the Supportive Housing funds may also serve Medicaid eligible members identified with General Mental Health or Substance Use Disorders (GMH/SUD).

Additional Definitions are located on the AHCCCS website at: AHCCCS Contract and Policy Dictionary.

III. POLICY

This policy covers general AHCCCS expectations for permanent supportive housing services and coordination, as well as specific criteria for the AHP and the AHCCCS Acquisition, Construction, and/or Renovation Program that are funded through Non-Title XIX/XXI State General Fund allocations.

D. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- The Contractor, through its providers, is responsible for assisting and supporting members
 to secure and maintain housing as part of overall physical and behavioral health service
 provision. This includes coordination with the AHCCCS Housing Administrator for AHP
 programs if eligible, as well as other community based housing and programs (e.g., Housing
 Choice Vouchers, Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) COC programs).
- 2. To adequately support members housing needs, the Contractor and its providers shall:
 - a. Ensure identification, assessment, screening, and documentation of individuals that have housing needs including homelessness, housing instability, or adequate and appropriate setting at discharge from residential, crisis or inpatient facility. It may also include administration of any AHCCCS approved standardized assessment tools that include housing evaluation,
 - Coordinate with the AHCCCS AHP Housing Administrator and contracted providers to identify and refer members identified with high need for housing (e.g., high needs/high cost, risk rosters),
- Contractor and contracted providers shall demonstrate they can capably conduct and utilize any AHCCCS-required current or emerging standardized assessment tool for assessing and documenting housing needs such as the Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT) or other AHCCCS approved acuity tool,
- Maintain (and ensure its contracted providers maintain) a sufficient number of dedicated staff of housing professionals with knowledge, expertise, experience, and skills, to coordinate with the AHCCCS Housing Administrator and providers to expedite housing processes,



Provider Housing Support Survey Update

ACOM 448 is guiding changes through AHCCCS, these changes guided survey that was sent to our providers to identify some program and supports within our provider network around housing.

Moving Forward:

We will be reaching out to obtain number of housing navigators/specialists within your organizations.

Set up reporting on unsheltered admissions into programs with identified providers.

Reaching out to solidify referring processes and navigation of SDoH needs.

Reaching out to providers (PCP/BH) that are assigned to members that are unsheltered to complete an SDoH assessment on the member and refer out to appropriate providers.



AHCCCS Statewide Housing Program (AHP) GMH/SU Eligibility and Programs



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Eviction Prevention, Move-in Assistance, Utility Assistance

- Awarded one-time per member, per year (fiscal year 7/1-6/30)
- Must meet eligibility requirements
- Rental arrears- AHP will pay up to 2 months rental arrears not to exceed \$3,000
- Utility Arrears- AHP will pay up to 2 months utility arrears not to exceed \$1,000
- Move-in assistance- AHP will pay move-in costs including required fees and deposits, security deposits, utility deposits, and first month's rent not to exceed \$3,000.

^{*} Move-in assistance is only available to non-subsidized members (any permanent supportive housing assistance, including permanent supportive housing and rapid rehousing, from programs like AHP, CoC, HCV, SSVF, etc.)



Application process

Eviction Prevention, Move-in Assistance, Utility Assistance

Complete application and attach the following:

- > Identification Documentation
- Eviction prevention Include copy of eviction notice
- Litility shut off- Include copy of disconnect notice
- Move-in Assistance-
 - Copy of proposed lease
 - ➤ Move in cost sheet
 - Verification from utility company with total deposits due
- Current income verification



Eligibility Requirements

Scattered Site programs / Community Living Program

Be a member with an SMI or GMH/SU (T19/Medicaid eligible) designation

Be a United States citizen or have eligible immigrant status.

Be at least 18 years old

Have an identified homeless or housing need documented by the member's clinical provider or treatment team

Score and 8+ on VI-SPDAT and be identified as HCHN within the ACC plan's internal criteria

Application Completion

AHCCCS approved referring agency is responsible for determining housing need. The agency will have to indicate one of the following housing need applies to the member on the application.

- Actual Homelessness: An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence
- ➤ <u>Institutional or Housing Discharge</u>: A person exiting an institution who is likely to be homeless
- > Other Identified Housing Need:
 - ✓ Fleeing Domestic Violence
 - ✓ Frequent Hospitalization
 - ✓ Housing Instability



Completed Application sent to Statewide Housing Administrator

Referring Provider will need to obtain required identification and income verification documentation.

Referring Agency will complete pre-application online at GMHSU Pre-Application – Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation (azabc.org). Statewide Housing Administrator will outreach Molina to confirm HCHN status and then confirm if member is added to Scattered Sites waitlist.



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