

Provider Memorandum

What Hospitals Need To Know About the SMART Act Reduction

Molina Healthcare of Illinois (Molina) is sharing information regarding the <u>SMART Act</u>. The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) has made a change in the methods and standards by which it will reimburse providers. This applies to Institutional claims for Illinois hospitals and health care systems, **not** FQHC encounter clinics, billed to the Medicaid fee-for-service program and the HealthChoice Illinois managed care plans.

As described in <u>Public Act 102-0016</u>, HFS is repealing the 3.5% SMART Act reduction to reimbursement for hospital services, effective with inpatient admissions and outpatient services on or after July 1, 2021. As a result, Molina is no longer applying the reduction.

Questions?

We're here to help. Contact your Provider Network Manager or email the Provider Network Management team at MHILProviderNetworkManagement@MolinaHealthcare.com. For help identifying your Provider Network Manager, visit Molina's Service Area page at MolinaHealthcare.com.

Availity Provider Portal

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