



Network Notification

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To: Office Manager/Administration and Participating Health Care Providers

From: Humana – CareSource®

Subject: KDMS Announces New and Revised Essential Benefits for 2014; Humana – CareSource Will Continue With NO COPAYS

On January 1, 2014, the Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services (KDMS) implemented new and modified “essential benefits” in accordance with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). In some cases, the new benefits result in an expanded provider list and changes to reimbursement policies for members. Despite the changes, Humana – CareSource will not require copays for members.

KDMS streamlined its benefits into a single plan, eliminating the previous member segments. As of January 1, 2014, all members, including those newly eligible through the expansion of Medicaid, will receive the same benefits.

In addition, the following changes were made for all Humana – CareSource Medicaid members as required by the ACA implementation:

- Increased total number of visits for physical, occupational and speech therapy.
- Expanded the providers list to include independent professionals.
- Added a private duty nursing benefit up to 2,000 hours a year.
- Included adults in the allergy treatment benefit.
- Expanded preventive services benefits.
- Simplified and eliminated annual dollar limit for eyeglasses, including one pair of eyeglasses per year with the ability to obtain another pair due to loss or prescription change.
- Added mental health services and eligible provider types.
- Expanded the scope of substance use services to include all Medicaid recipients and added more covered substance use services.

For additional details on the changes, please see the Kentucky State Plan Amendments on the KDMS website <http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/State+Plan+Amendments.htm> and select “2013 SPAs.”

To view the public notice on the expanded scope, changes in reimbursement and new provider base for therapy services, mental health, substance use and psychiatric care, please visit <http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/fee.htm> and click on the “What’s New” section.

Please note: While KDMS introduced cost-sharing amounts, Humana – CareSource is committed to expanding its provider base and eliminating copays to increase and enhance access for our members. If you are interested in enrolling a provider in Medicaid or adding a provider to the Humana – CareSource provider network, please call 1-800-457-5683, or email us at ProviderMedicaidEnrollment@Humana.com.