



Network Notification

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To: Ohio Providers

From: CareSource®

Subject: Primary Care Rate Increase Update

CareSource wants you to have the most current information regarding provider payments. New information is available about the Primary Care Rate Increase and timeliness of payments. Please review the information below. If you have questions, call Provider Services at 1-800-488-0134.

Primary Care Rate Increase (PCRI)

Provider Eligibility and Payment Timelines Overview - Primary care physicians who have **attested** that they satisfy specific eligibility criteria, may be eligible to receive increased Medicaid payments for services provided to individuals eligible for Medicaid during the 2013 and 2014 calendar years.

Who is eligible for PCRI?

- Board certified in a qualifying specialty or subspecialty:
 - Pediatric medicine
 - Family medicine
 - Internal medicine
 - A subspecialty of pediatric, family or internal medicine recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties or other governing medical board/association
 - FQHC and RHC are exempt from increased reimbursement
- Board certified physicians in a non-qualifying specialty, but supply qualifying primary care services in the community (i.e. surgeon that also works as a primary care doctor in the community)
- Non-board certified but $\geq 60\%$ of the codes billed and paid through Medicaid in calendar year of 2012 or 2013 were for qualifying Evaluation and Management (E/M) or vaccine administration services (i.e. codes between 99201 and 99499)

- ODM requires non-physician practitioners to bill under a supervising physician's NPI and include the appropriate non-physician modifier (i.e. SA" for nurse practitioner, "SB" for nurse midwife or "UC" for clinical nurse specialist)

Payment Overview – rate increases for qualifying services provided begin January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014

What are the payment timelines?

- We expect to make payments to providers no later than 45 days from the end of the quarter for all claims that have been processed by quarter-end
- We will continue to work to improve payment timelines for our providers

You can find more information on PCRI at the Ohio Department of Medicaid website:
<http://medicaid.ohio.gov/Portals/0/Providers/PCP-RateIncrease-FAQ.pdf>