ACA Physician Rate Increase Attestation Deadline Extended to August 31, 2013
The Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) has extended the attestation deadline to August 31, 2013, for qualified providers to receive a retroactive pay bump for the ACA Provider Rate Increase. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) mandates a rate increase for certain services provided by certain primary care practitioners from January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2014. Read more >>

Here's the link to the ACA Provider Rate Increase Attestation FAQs:

Medicaid Enrollment Required for Ordering, Prescribing and Referring (OPR) Providers
If you're currently ordering, prescribing or referring on behalf of Medicaid beneficiaries, but you do not file claims to Medicaid, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) now requires that you enroll in the Medicaid Program as an OPR Provider. Read more>>

DCH Webinars on ICD-10 Can Help You Finish Strong
Small Practice Readiness? A Clinical Close-up? Medicaid Policy Update? Troubleshooting? These webinar topics and more will help you with the federally mandated transition to ICD-10 coming in 2014. Plus, we always welcome your questions at the end of each session.

To register for any of the ICD-10 webinars, please visit the DCH website at www.dch.georgia.gov/IT-Events. To view any of our ICD-10 webinars at your convenience, please visit the DCH website at www.dch.georgia.gov/IT-Events for a link to the on-demand webinar presentation posted within 48 hours of the live presentation.

Medicaid to Improve Continuity of Care for Children in Foster Care, Other Youth
As part of the redesign of the Georgia Medicaid Program, the Department of Community Health (DCH) will transition approximately 27,000 children in foster care and adoption assistance, as well as select youth in the juvenile justice system, to a single care management organization (CMO) for their health care coverage. The transition is effective on January 1, 2014. Moving these populations to a designated CMO will result in improved care coordination, continuity of care and better health outcomes for the enrollees. DCH has selected Amerigroup Community Care as the designated CMO. Read more >> http://dch.georgia.gov/foster-care-adoption-assistance.

Topics Sought for November 21 Medicaid Fair
Mark your calendars for the Thursday, November 21, Medicaid Fair in Dalton, Ga. What topics would you like to see included in this Medicaid Fair? What are your specific questions for our expert presenters? Send us your input by August 23, 2013, to DCH-i@dch.ga.gov. Check for updates and the link to the registration form at the Georgia Medicaid Management Information System (GAMMIS) website at www.mmis.georgia.gov.
Attention Primary Care Providers

Tell Us About Your Best Practices. We know that you use “best practices” in your office every day and we want to learn more about those practices. Take Our Survey Now. It will take less than 10 minutes and all responses will be confidential and anonymous. The Performance, Quality and Outcomes Unit of the Medical Assistance Plans Division of the Department of Community Health appreciates your input to this survey. Please respond before August 30, 2013. Survey link: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/T8GXHZL

You Ask, We Answer

Q. What happens if I don’t attest to the ACA Physician Rate Increase by August 31, 2013?

A. Providers who attest on or after September 1, 2013, will only receive the enhanced rates from the first of the month in which they attest.

Q: How do I locate claims that are related to recoupment on my Remittance Advice (RA) when they are not listed?

A: Please refer to the Financial Transaction page on the Georgia Medicaid Management Information System (GAMMIS) web portal at www.mmis.georgia.gov. There will be an Accounts Receivable number listed on the left-hand side, right beside the set-up date. The set-up date is the date of the original RA; refer to it for a list of all claims related to recoupment.

Q: How do I locate my Provider Category of Service?

A: You can locate your Provider Category of Service by logging in to the Georgia Medicaid Management Information System (GAMMIS) at www.mmis.georgia.gov. Select Providers, then Demographic Maintenance Panel.

Q: What are the timely filing limits for submitting the Hospice election form (DMA-579)?

A: Hospice Election forms must be submitted by mail or fax to the Division of Medical Assistance Plans within thirty (30) calendar days of the date that the patient signs up for and/or elects hospice care. For retroactive members, the DMA-579 must be submitted within 30 days of the date the retroactive eligibility was entered into GAMMIS.

Q: If a Medicaid provider (facility or individual) renders services that are payable by Medicaid at multiple locations, how many Provider IDs must they have?

A: Every Georgia Medicaid Provider must have a unique Georgia Medicaid Provider ID for each service location where services are rendered. The provider must submit each claim with the unique Georgia Medicaid Provider ID created for the service location where the member on the claim was seen.

For Your Information

Visit the Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) website, www.dch.georgia.gov.

Contact HP Enterprise Services Contact Center at 800-766-4456.