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FLORIDA MEDICAID HEALTH INFORMATION NETWORK



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On November 19, the Agency launched the Florida Medicaid Health Information Network (HIN). HIN is a multi-payer health information portal for Medicaid providers powered by Availity, LLC. It gives providers a comprehensive view of patients' claims-based medical history, retroactive 18 months, which includes both available commercial and Medicaid payer data sources. This service is offered free to treating providers.

The following link offers direct access to the Availity Portal home page where providers can register and log into the Florida Medicaid HIN: <http://www.availity.com/>

The real-time payer based health records are obtained from Medicaid claims information. This includes health information such as the following:

- Office visits and hospitalizations
- Diagnoses and associated procedures
- Prescription history
- Lab event history
- Radiology event history
- Immunization history



As a result, providers will have more complete information when caring for the patient. In addition, providers are able to view eligibility and benefits, make claims submissions (PSN direct submitter only), and perform e-prescribing with a prescription history look-up. In 2010, there will be a single sign on for e-prescribing, as well as clinical decision support.

To view Medicaid data in the Availity claims-based electronic health record, health care providers must obtain and maintain on file a patient authorization form that provides consent for the use and release of all medical and billing records, including explicit consent for the use and release of sensitive data. Data are included in the claims-based records that are sensitive in nature and reveal mental health, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, and abortion-related claims.

The link below offers an example of an authorization form that meets the requirement for obtaining explicit consent:

<http://www.fhin.net/FHIN/MedicaidMultiPayerHealthInformationNetwork.shtml/fulldisclosure>

HEDIS 2010 Season Kick Off

The HEDIS medical record data abstraction process is fast approaching. SFCCN would like to request your continual assistance in completing the process in the most efficient manner. The process will begin in early March 2010 by our contracted vendor, MedAssurant.



Dentist Recruitment in Broward County

SFCCN is actively recruiting dental provider to join our PSN and CMS network. If you are interested in joining our network, please call 954-276-3131 or 954-767-5640.



For additional information, please contact the SFCCN Subnetwork for Enrollee if assigned to:

MHS 954-276-3131 Broward Health 954-767-5500 PHT 877-838-7526

MEDICAID BILLING TIPS

IMPORTANT

MEDICAID BILLING INFORMATION

As you are aware, since May 28, 2008 billing for Medicaid claims required the use of your NPI number. Depending on how you are registered with the State it is also imperative that you utilize your taxonomy number and/or zip+4 on your claim. Not filing your claims correctly or missing information will delay processing and possible payments. If you are not sure how you are registered, please call EDS at 1-800-289-7799.

NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFIER (NPI)

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) required the adoption and use of a standard unique identifier for health care providers. The National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) collects identifying information on health care providers and assigns each a unique National Provider Identifier (NPI). An application for a NPI may be submitted online at <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/StaticForward.do?forward=static.npistart>. *The use of the NPI will be required for all health care providers submitting electronic transactions.*

PROVIDER ALERT

IT IS IMPORTANT TO RECORD PATIENT'S BMI RESULT IN THE **MEDICAL RECORD**. WHENEVER YOU RECORD A PATIENT'S WEIGHT, REMEMBER TO CALCULATE THE BMI AND RECORD IT AS WELL. BMI IS A NEW MEASURE THAT AHCA IS MONITORING THE PROVIDER'S PERFORMANCE. ALSO, YOU COULD USE THE FOLLOWING ICD-9 OR CPT CODE TO INDICATE BMI:

ICD-9: V85.0—V85.5

CPT CODE: G8417—G8420



Did you know you can check eligibility through the EDS Web Portal? To access the EDS Web Portal, go to <http://mymedicaid-florida.com/> - click on Secure Information for Providers to sign in. From the main menu, click on Eligibility. Different search options include Recipient Medicaid ID, Card Control Number, Social Security Number, or Recipient Name, Date of Birth, and Gender. Dates of service must also be entered. For more information, contact EDS at 1-800-289-7799 Option 5.

MOVING? CHANGING YOUR TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER? OR HAVE ANY OTHER CHANGES TO YOUR PRACTICE?

It is important that you inform the Agency for Health Care Administration of any changes with regard to your practice. Changes include: address, tax identification number, billing address, etc. must first be completed with AHCA prior to the PSN making any changes in their system. Please contact the local Area 10 Medicaid Office at (954) 202-3200 or Area 11 at 305-499-2000 for additional information regarding changes to your practice.

MEDICAID BILLING

The Medicaid Area 10 & 11 Offices offer free Medicaid billing training courses for physician providers and CMS 1500 billers. If you are interested in attending one of the classes, please contact the Area office for dates and availability.



FLORIDA SHOTS



The Florida SHOTS (State Health Online Tracking System) is a statewide, computerized immunization registry that makes it easier for physicians to keep track of child's immunization history. The registry is a centralized database where health care providers not only access immunization records but also provide updates that allow for more complete immunization histories in one location. It provides reminders to provider when shots are due based on child's immunization history and age. Also, it produces the legal immunization record (DH Form 680) required for school, camp, and day care center attendance.

Florida SHOTS is part of a state-approved program through the Florida Department of Health Bureau of Immunization to enroll private medical practice offices throughout Florida for participation in the registry. The goal of Florida SHOTS is to have 95 percent of children from ages 0 to 6 enrolled in the immunization registry. For more information or to sign up for the registry, please contact Provider Relation Department or visit their link at <http://www.flshots.com/enrollment/index.html>.

Vaccine For Children (VFC) Program

The VFC program is administered by the Department of Health, Bureau of Immunizations. It provides vaccines at no charge to physicians. SFCCN strongly encourages our providers to enroll in the VFC program. For more information or to sign up, please contact (850)245-4734 or visit their link at http://www.floridashealth.com/Disease_ctrl/immune/vfc/enrollment.htm.

