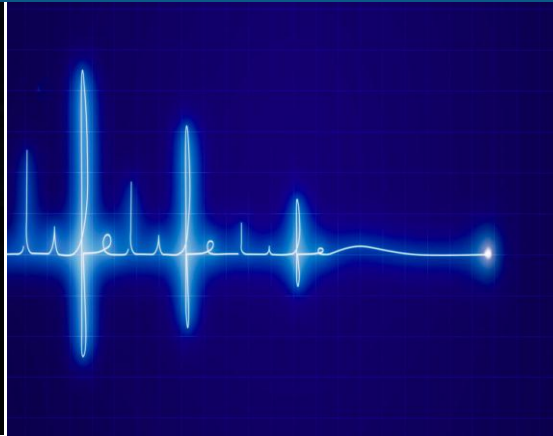


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GMIPA MISSION:

To organize and operate a quality-driven and cost effective health care delivery system. The association consists of healthcare providers who enter into membership agreements with GMIPA to facilitate an environment that promotes healthcare practice viability.

SEEKING NEW BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS

The GMIPA has Board Positions opening for 2016. Nominations including self-nominations are now being accepted. Contact Rebekka VanNess, Administrator at 575-538-2355 rebekka.vanness@gmipa.com

Health System Innovation

The Department of Health, in collaboration with the Human Services Department has been awarded funding from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, State Innovation Model (SIM) Initiative to improve population health and health outcomes, guided by the vision of “A Healthier New Mexico”. Governor Martinez supports and encourages collaboration among state agencies, community-based organizations and community partners. She is confident Department of Health Cabinet Secretary Retta Ward and Human Services Department Cabinet Secretary Brent Earnest will lead New Mexico to develop an effective design for integrating and coordinating behavioral health, public health, and primary care to promote a person centered system.

New Mexico is taking a triple aim approach to health system transformation – enhancing patient experience of care, reducing health care costs, and improving population health.

For more information visit: <http://nmhealth.org/about/asd/opa/sim/>

January is National Birth Defects Prevention Month

The goal for 2016 is to continue to increase awareness that birth defects are “Common, Costly and Critical”

Visit: http://www.nbdpn.org/national_birth_defects_prevent.php

February is American Heart Month

Heart disease is the leading cause of death for men and women in the United States. Talk with patients today about small changes that can make a big difference.

March is Colorectal Cancer Awareness month, visit:

Visit : www.preventcancer.org



New Mexico Health Connections

Services Requiring Prior Authorization

Admissions:

- Elective Procedures/Surgery
- LTAC, Rehabilitation, SNF
- Observation Stays Extending Beyond 24 hours
- Radiology Procedures Requiring Inpatient or Observation

Advanced Imaging:

- CT/CTA
- MRI/MRA
- Cardiac Nuclear Medicine Studies
- PET/SPECT

Transportation/Transfers:

- Non-emergent Ground Medical Transport
- Air Medical Transport

Behavioral Health:

- Applied behavioral analysis therapy
- Electroconvulsive therapy (ECT)
- Partial Hospitalization
- Inpatient Admission

PT/OT/ST

- PA required AFTER first 10 visits per health plan year

Pharmacy, Specialty

- Medications including but not limited to: Biologics, Genomic drugs, Monoclonal Antibody and TNF Inhibitors.

Visit: www.mynmhc.org for a comprehensive list of services and treatments requiring prior authorization

Billers and Coder Corner

United Healthcare Military and Veterans UHC TriCare

-Referrals and Notifications-

Knowing the difference between a referral and a notification and when a provider change is required is important to ensure accurate claim payment for the provider as well as increased patient satisfaction. The most apparent and noticeable difference between a referral and a notification is that a referral number begins with a 7, while a notification number begins with a 4. A referral is the process of sending a TRICARE Prime patient to another professional provider for a consultation or health care service when the requested service is outside the scope of practice for the referring provider. A referral is required for most services for TRICARE Prime beneficiaries if the service is provided by a civilian provider other than the primary care manager (PCM). Referrals are not the same as authorizations.

Referrals: If you have a Referral Number (starts with 7) the claim will pay as long as the following two conditions are met. No change is required: 1. You are contracted and have a matching specialty to that approved by the referral; and 2. The referral has not been used.

Notifications: Unlike referrals, notifications require that the servicing provider on the approval letter must match the rendering provider on the claim. A notification number starts with a 4, and the claim will not pay unless the tax identification number (TIN) for the approved servicing provider in the approval letter matches the TIN for the rendering provider on the submitted claim

Molina offering \$100 Incentive Reimbursement for Pregnancy Notification

Effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2015,

please use ICD-10 Z32.01

(encounter for pregnancy test, result positive) on your claim form. This is a billable code to indicate diagnosis for reimbursement purposes.

Molina Healthcare of New Mexico will then reimburse your office an additional \$100.

Why are they offering this incentive? When Molina is informed of a new pregnancy, Care Coordinators and Quality Improvement Specialists reach out to the Member to inform them about programs and services available through our health plan. One of their benefits is the motherhood matters program that offers expecting mothers certain benefits and classes to help improve the outcomes of their pregnancy.

Visit:

<http://www.molinahealthcare.com>

Medicare Part B Practice Support and CEU Opportunities

January 22, 2016

Title: Medicare Part B Updates - 2016 First Quarter
Type: Webinar
Time: 10:00am - 11:30am CT
Continuing Education Unit(s): 1.5
Focus: JH/JL B

January 26, 2016

Title: Increasing Your Bottom Line: How Much Does Rework Cost Your Organization?
Type: Webinar
Time: 9:00am - 10:00am CT
Continuing Education Unit(s): 1
Focus: JH/JL B

February 4, 2016

Title: How to Avoid Top Claim Errors - First Quarter
Type: Webinar
Time: 9:00am - 10:00am CT
Continuing Education Unit(s): 1
Focus: JH/JL B

February 19, 2016

Title: Part B Subsequent Hospital Care Rules and Coding
Type: Webinar
Time: 9:00am - 10:00am CT
Continuing Education Unit(s): 1
Focus: JH/JL B

March 10, 2016

Title: New Patient Guidelines and Coding
Type: Webinar
Time: 10:00am - 11:00am CT
Continuing Education Unit(s):
Focus: JH/JL B

March 30, 2016

Title: Proper Use of Modifiers
Type: Webinar
Time: 9:00am - 10:30am CT
Continuing Education Unit(s): 1.5
Focus: JH/JL A/B

To register for these and other webinars, visit:
<http://www.novitas-solutions.com>



**BlueCross BlueShield
of New Mexico**

Are You Ready for a 37% Increase in Prior Authorization Requests? January means new health plans, medication formulary changes and prescription renewals. All of which result in more prior authorization (PA) requests for your office.

Save time in 2016 by using an electronic prior authorization (ePA) solution. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico (BCBSNM) is now collaborating with CoverMyMeds to offer free ePA services to all Blue Cross Community CentennialSM prescribers.

5 Ways to Save Time by Using CoverMyMeds:

1. Skip waiting on hold and start all PAs online. CoverMyMeds works for all plans and all medications.
2. Receive faster determinations with ePA. CoverMyMeds works with BCBSNM to offer real-time determinations for many requests.
3. Complete renewals through CoverMyMeds to auto-fill patient information.
4. Sign PAs electronically and skip printing and faxing requests.
5. Eliminate calls from the pharmacy by completing pharmacy-initiated PAs online. When you receive a key from CoverMyMeds, enter the key online to complete the PA.

Comprehensive Diabetes Care

American Diabetes Month takes place each November. For their 75th anniversary, the American Diabetes Association (ADA) chose "Eat Well, America!" as their 2015 theme. Click to view the [ADA Fact Sheet](#) for American Diabetes Month.

For More BCBSNM news visit:
<http://www.bcbsnm.com/provider/news/blue-review.html>

Become a Member

We provide infrastructure, negotiating clout for managed care contracts and a forum to discuss and promote policies that support providers while increasing the quality of services to the patients they serve. As a member of the GMIPA, you are welcome and encouraged to take advantage of these benefits. All new healthcare professionals joining our organization must be certified. Applications can be downloaded from our website at www.gmipa.com. If you have questions, please contact the GMIPA Administrator, Rebekka VanNess, at 575-538-2355 or email at rebekka.vanness@gmipa.com

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