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Inflation for Home Health Rates Effective July 1, 2024

The purpose of this bulletin is to inform providers that effective July 1, 2024, the rates for home health providers will be updated in accordance with 12VAC30-80-180 of the Virginia Administrative Code.

Home health rates are located on the DMAS website

at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/rates-and-rate-setting/. Corrections or revisions will be noted at the bottom of the official rate sheet. If you have any questions regarding rates, please call the provider helpline at 800-552-8627.

DMAS and its Managed Care Organization (MCO) partners are diligently working on the implementation of new provider rates set forth in the 2024 Appropriation Act. The MCOs may need 30-60 days from 6/28/2024 to finish updating their systems with the new FY2025 rates. The MCOs will automatically reprocess any claims that paid using old rates within approximately 30 days after they finish updating their systems to the new rates.

Currently, providers have the option to bill MCOs immediately under old rates or delay billing until FY2025 rates are updated by the MCOs.

Appeals Information

If you believe an error was made for payment rates or totals, you can file an appeal. The appeal must be filed with the DMAS Appeals Division through one of the following methods:

- Through the Appeals Information Management System at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/appeals/. From there you can fill out an informal appeal request, submit documentation, and follow the process of your appeal.
- Through mail, email, or fax. You can download a Medicaid Provider Appeal Request form at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/appeals/. You can use that form or a letter to file the informal appeal. The appeal request must identify the issues being appealed. The request can be submitted by:

Mail or delivery to: Appeals Division, Department of Medical Assistance Services, 600 E. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219;

Email to appeals@dmas.virginia.gov; or

Richmond, VA 23219

https://dmas.virginia.gov

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Fax to (804) 452-5454.

The appeal must be received by the DMAS Appeals Division within 30 days of the payment rate or total being published by DMAS. The notice of appeal is considered filed when it is date stamped by the DMAS Appeals Division. The normal business hours of DMAS are from 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. on dates when DMAS is open for business. Documents received after 5:00 p.m. on the deadline date shall be untimely.

PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION & RESOURCES

Virginia Medicaid

Web Portal

Automated Response

System (ARS)

Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.

https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/

Medicall (Audio Response System)

Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.

1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996

Provider Appeals

DMAS launched an appeals portal in 2021. You can use this portal to file appeals and track the status of your appeals. Visit the website listed for appeal resources and to register for the portal.

https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/appeals/

Managed Care Programs

Cardinal Care Managed Care and Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). In order to be reimbursed for services provided to a managed care enrolled individual, providers must follow their respective contract with the managed care plan/PACE provider. The managed care plan may utilize different guidelines than those described for Medicaid fee-for-service individuals.

Cardinal Care Managed Care

https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/managed-care/cardinal-care-managed-care/

PACE Program of All-inclusive Care (virginia.gov)

Acentra Health

Behavioral Health

https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/sa Services

In-State: 804-270-5105

Provider Enrollment Out of State Toll Free: 888-829-5373

Email: VAMedicaidProviderEnrollment@gainwelltechnologies.com

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Provider HELPLINE

Monday-Friday 8:00

a.m.-5:00 p.m. For provider use only, have

Medicaid Provider ID Number available.

Aetna Better Health of

Virginia

https://www.aetnabetterhealth.com/virginia/providers/index.html

1-800-279-1878

1-804-786-6273

1-800-552-8627

Anthem HealthKeepers

Plus

http://www.anthem.com/

1-800-901-0020

Molina Complete Care

1-800-424-4524

https://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/va/medicaid/home.aspx

Sentara Community Plan

1-800-881-2166 https://www.sentarahealthplans.com/providers

United Healthcare

www.uhcprovider.com/

1-844-284-0149

Dental Provider

DentaQuest

1-888-912-3456