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Changes to Gender Dysphoria Coverage

The purpose of this bulletin is to notify providers that, in accordance with a new federal [final rule](#) for dates of service on or after October 13, 2026, DMAS will no longer cover gender dysphoria services for Medicaid members under the age of 18, and CHIP members under the age of 19. Under the final rule, federal Medicaid and CHIP funding will be available for a tapering-off period of up to six months from the effective date of the final rule for youth who are receiving medications related to gender affirming care as of October 13, 2026. Service authorizations for the tapering of affected medications must be obtained by contacting the appropriate call center corresponding with the member's current enrollment. Contact numbers can be found at the end of this bulletin. The rule does not affect coverage of mental health services, which will remain in place without changes.

To avoid disruption to claims payment through FFS and the MCOs providers must periodically check the DMAS provider portal, also known as the Provider Services Solution (PRSS), to ensure that the provider's enrollment, contact information, and license information is up to date, for all of the provider's respective service locations. Under federal rules, MCOs and DMAS are prohibited from paying claims to network providers who are not enrolled in PRSS. Additional information is provided on the [MCO Provider Network Resources webpage](#) and includes links to resources, tutorials and contact information to reach Gainwell with any provider enrollment or revalidation related questions. Dental providers should continue to enroll directly through the DMAS Dental Benefits Administrator, DentaQuest.

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/>

Medical (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



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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 PACE

<https://www.virginiamanagedcare.com/en>

[Program of All-inclusive Care](#)

In-State: 804-270-5105

Out of State Toll Free: 888-829-5373

Email: VAMedicaidProviderEnrollment@gainwelltechnologies.com

Provider Enrollment

Provider HELPLINE

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. For provider use only, have Medicaid Provider ID Number available.

1-804-786-6273

1-800-552-8627

Aetna Better Health of Virginia

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

Prior Auth requests can be faxed or called to the following numbers:

Phone: 1-800-279-1878

Med4/ FAMIS Fax: 1-866-669-2454

CCC Plus Fax: 1-855-661-1828

<http://www.anthem.com/>

Anthem HealthKeepers Plus

Prior Authorization information can be found

here: <https://providers.anthem.com/virginia-provider/resources/prior-authorization-requirements>

Call Provider Services: 1-800-901-0020 TTY: 711

Fax medical prior authorization request forms to:

Inpatient fax: 1-866-920-4095

Outpatient fax: 1-800-964-3627

LTSS fax: 1-844-864-7853

Humana Healthy Horizons

<https://provider.humana.com/medicaid/virginia-medicaid>

Prior Authorization information can be found here:

<https://provider.humana.com/medicaid/virginia-medicaid/prior-authorization>

Submit request via Availaty porta, phone or fax:

Phone requests:

1-855-223-9868 or 1-844-881-4482 (TTY: 711)

Fax complete form to:

1-877-486-2621.

Sentara Community Plan

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

Submit authorizations via portal or phone

Portal information can be found

here: <https://www.sentarahealthplans.com/en/providers/claims-authorizations/authorizations>

Phone request:

1-757-552-7474 or 1-800-229-8822

United Healthcare

www.uhcprovider.com/

1-844-284-0146

To notify UHC or request a medical prior authorization:

Portal information can be found here: UHCprovider.com/priorauth

or call provider services 1-844-284-0146

<https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/sa>

Acentra Health

Behavioral Health and
Medical Service
Authorizations

1-804-622-8900



Department of Medical Assistance Services
600 East Broad Street
Suite 1300
Richmond, VA 23219

<https://dmas.virginia.gov>

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Dental Provider

1-888-912-3456

DentaQuest

Fee-for-Service (POS)

<https://www.virginiamedicaidpharmacyservices.com/>

Prime Therapeutics

1-800-932-6648