



Monthly Topics for July 2023

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Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month

July is Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month. Nearly 300,000 children have been diagnosed with some form of Juvenile Arthritis. Juvenile Arthritis early symptoms are often overlooked by parents and written off as swollen joints, flu bug, or rash because of an allergic reaction.

Many do not know that children can even get arthritis. Since a child's immune system is not fully formed until around 18, an "autoimmune" form of arthritis is especially aggressive in children, compromising their ability to fight normal diseases and leaving them open to complications that may affect their eyes, bone growth, etc.

Common symptoms include:

- Limping in the morning due to a stiff knee
- Excessive Clumsiness
- High fever and skin rash
- Swelling lymph nodes in the neck and other parts of the body

For more information on Juvenile Arthritis, please see the Juvenile Arthritis fact sheet in this month's rounding attachments and/or visit: <https://curearthritis.org/juvenile-arthritis/>

Hep C Initiative

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and Michigan Medicaid partnered with research-based global biopharmaceutical company, AbbVie, in effort to eliminate hepatitis C through the **We Treat Hep C Initiative**.

In Michigan it is estimated that 200,000 are living with Hepatitis C. Those living with Hep C are often unaware they have it and it can be silently spread quickly as individuals may not have symptoms for years.

For additional information on MDHHS Hepatitis C Elimination Plan, please visit the link below.

https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71550_2955_2976_94001_105637---,00.html

Availity

Availity Essentials is now the exclusive secure provider portal for Molina Healthcare. If not registered, [Click Here](#) to register. Training sessions can be found by logging into Availity Essentials and proceed to the Help & Training section located at the top right of the screen and select Get Trained. Once in the training catalog, go to the Sessions tab at the top of the page where you will see the above training listed as "Availity Essentials Provider Portal Overview for Molina Providers" – Live Webinar. **Note: Michigan is the only state live for Prior Authorizations within Availity – not through Payor Spaces.**

Redetermination:

Due to the conclusion of the COVID-19 public health emergency during which the eligibility redetermination process for Michigan Medicaid members was stopped, MDHHS will resume the redetermination process in June. Molina will be communicating with our members and provider partners to help ensure that Medicaid-eligible members retain their coverage.

Molina needs your help reminding your Medicaid patients to update their contact information and renew their benefits, so they do not lose coverage. [Click Here](#) to find the most current resources and information – including our online provider toolkit. As Molina receives information from MDHHS, Molina will share specific lists of members due for redetermination to the office.

2023 Pay for Performance:

Molina has finalized our 2023 P4P program. This program aligns with our mission by rewarding our valued providers for high-quality preventive healthcare. Incentivized services include access to care, well care visits, cancer screenings, diabetic services, immunizations, dental services, social determinants of health, and more.

Molina has added a reward if your adult Medicaid patient receives dental services. Molina is promoting a new dental benefit for ALL adult Medicaid members beginning April 1, 2023. Molina will collaborate with our new vendor, DentaQuest, to provide an expanded list of dental benefits through its network of dentists and dental specialists. Please encourage your Molina Medicaid members to seek dental services by contacting DentaQuest Member Services at 844.583.6157 or 844-583-6156 (MI Health Link) Monday Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST. To find a dentist, members may also visit <https://dentaquest.com/members/> and select “Find a Dentist.” See attached document for further information on the incentive dollars, eligibility, and specifications of Molina’s 2023 Pay for Performance program.

Molina Marketplace – End of COVID 19 Public Health Emergency

The end of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency was May 11, 2023. Molina Healthcare is committed to assisting our providers and members through this transition, as certain Marketplace benefits and processes will change.

- COVID-19 Vaccines: Molina will continue to provide coverage for COVID-19 vaccines as a preventative service without cost-sharing through in-network providers and pharmacies only. No prior authorization is required.
- Medical and Drug Treatment for COVID-19: Services will be covered consistent with the standard terms of the member’s policy, including cost-sharing and prior authorization requirements.
- Lab testing for COVID-19: Services will be covered consistent with the standard terms of the member’s policy, including cost-sharing and prior authorization requirements.
- Over the counter COVID home test kits: These will be covered at in-network pharmacies only and will have plan cost-sharing. Limit one kit (up to 2 tests) per member per month.

Prior Authorization (PA) Updates

- Molina’s Prior Authorization (PA) Guide and PA Code Matrix are updated for an April 1, 2023, effective date. [Click Here](#) access all the online provider authorizations tools. The PA Code Matrix makes it simple to find services that require prior authorization.

2023 Model of Care Training Notification

Molina Healthcare of Michigan is required to provide annual training regarding our Model of Care (MOC) program for SNP enrollees. To ensure Molina remains compliant with CMS regulatory requirements for MOC training, your completed Attestation Form must be returned to Molina upon completion of the training or by **October 31, 2023**. For more information, please refer to the [Quick Reference Guide](#).

Please do the following:

1. Take the Model of Care Training. The written training materials on the Molina Healthcare Model of Care can be found on the Molina website at: [Model of Care Training](#)
2. Complete and sign the Model of Care Training Attestation Form - [Model of Care Attestation](#)
3. Return Attestation Form to MHMProviderServicesMailbox@MolinaHealthCare.com