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Dear Hospital Administrator,

Effective January 1, 2011, Molina Healthcare of New Mexico, Inc. (Molina Healthcare) will be implementing a new process for the review and coverage of acute inpatient admissions that occur within thirty (30) calendar days of the patient being discharged from the same facility.

When such a situation occurs, medical records from the preceding admission will be requested and reviewed in conjunction with clinical documentation from the second admission. If it is determined that the second admission is the result of premature discharge, or inadequate discharge, transition, or coordination of care, payment for the second admission will be denied. In such instances, please note that the hospital is not allowed to bill the Member.

This change will be reflected in the upcoming 2011 Provider Manual.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eugene F. Sun M.D.".

Eugene Sun, MD
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Molina Healthcare of New Mexico, Inc.