# Fall 2014 Health and Family Newsletter



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# Where to Find Answers to Drug Benefits

Your prescriptions and certain over the counter items are provided by the State, not Molina Healthcare.

You may receive a prescription from a Molina doctor, specialist or dentist. You can fill your prescription at any pharmacy that is a provider for Badger-Care Plus and Medicaid SSI programs. Please show your ForwardHealth ID card to the pharmacy when you get your prescriptions filled. You may have co-pays or have limits on covered medications. If you have any questions in regards to your pharmacy coverage, please call (800) 362-3002.

All newsletters are also available at www.MolinaHealthcare.com.

Este boletín informativo también está disponible en español. Por favor, comuníquese con el Departamento de Servicios para Miembros para pedir una copia en español.



## Prevent the Flu: Good Health Habits Can Help Stop Germs

The single best way to prevent seasonal flu is to get a flu shot each year. As a Molina Healthcare member, you can receive your seasonal flu shot for free. Many pharmacies offer the flu shot for adult members. You can also ask your provider. Flu season usually starts in October. Follow good health habits. Help stop the spread of germs and prevent illnesses like the flu.

- 1. Avoid close contact with others who are sick.
- 2. Stay home when you are sick.
- 3. Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze.
- 4. Wash your hands often with soap and water.
- 5. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- 6. Practice other good health habits.



# Health Care Fraud, Waste and Abuse

Health care costs go up every year. Health care fraud, waste and abuse are to blame for some of these costs. About 3-10% of the nation's health care costs are due to fraud, waste and abuse. This can be from \$81 to \$270 billion. High health care costs make it hard to fund programs, like Medicaid.

Fraud, waste, and abuse can also affect quality of care. Molina Healthcare worries about that. Molina wants to make sure all members get good quality care.

Do you think you did not get services Molina paid for? Do you think you may be a victim of fraud, waste, and abuse? Do you know someone who is causing health care fraud? You can help Molina by telling us about your concerns.

You can report fraud, waste, and abuse to Molina's AlertLine. You may call the AlertLine 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Call the AlertLine toll-free at (866) 606-3889. You may also report your concerns on the AlertLine website. You can find the website at https://MolinaHealthcare.AlertLine.com.

With your help, Molina can stop health care fraud, waste and abuse!

## Take Your Medicine

Your provider may give you one pill, two pills or ten pills to take every day. Do you ever look at your pills and wonder, "why am I taking this?" You are not alone. Many chronic diseases (like high blood sugar or high blood pressure) require you to take pills every day. If you take your pills as your provider orders you to, you will have better health and less illness. Sometimes you may not feel any difference when you take your pills, but they are still working to protect you.



Always take your pills as prescribed by your provider.

It is good to know what your pills are doing for your health. If you know why you are taking a pill, you may be more likely to take it as prescribed. Ask your provider or pharmacist to explain how your pills work to help you stay healthy.

# Improving Services to Molina Healthcare Members

## The Quality of Care You Receive is Important to Us.

Molina wants you and your family to get the care you need. We have a **Quality Improvement (QI) Program** to measure how well we do. Each year, we set goals to improve the care and services our members receive. We look to see if our members are getting the exams and tests they need. We also see if you are happy with your care and provider. We listen to what you say and how we can improve.

You can find information about our **QI Program** goals, progress, and results on the website. Please visit the Molina website at http://www.molinahealthcare.com.

## What Molina's QI Program Offers You

Molina's QI Program offers tips and programs to help you stay healthy. There are many topics that include:

- High blood pressure, asthma, COPD, heart disease, diabetes and weight loss programs
- Healthy choices if you are having a baby
- Help to quit smoking

### Molina's QI Program:

- 1. Reaches out to you. We send:
  - Health tips in newsletters
  - Reminders for screenings and tests that you need
- 2. Works to keep you safe and healthy. We offer:
  - A Patient Safety Program tells you how to stay safe while receiving health care
  - Preventive Health Guidelines tells you how often to see the provider You will learn what kind of tests, exams, or shots you need. You will also learn when to get them.
- 3. Makes sure you are safe when you get care. We review:
  - The safety of your provider's office
  - Safety reports of hospitals, skilled nursing and surgery centers

You can compare hospitals and other healthcare centers by going to these websites:

Leapfrog Group (http://www.leapfroggroup.org/)

The Joint Commission (http://www.qualitycheck.org/consumer/searchQCR.aspx)

To request a printed copy of our quality results or our QI Program, call Molina Healthcare Member Services. The number is on the back of your ID card.

### Now Available for Molina Medicaid Members!

Tips to make the most of YOUR provider visit!

A provider visit is a chance for you and your provider to work together for your health!

- Learn about the wait times to schedule appointments.
- Learn tips to prepare for your appointment.

Please visit the Member Portal for more information at www.MyMolina.com!





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# Questions about Your Health?

Call Our Nurse Advice Line!

English: **(888)** 275-8750 Spanish: **(866)** 648-3537

**OPEN 24 HOURS!** 

Your health is our priority!

For the hearing impaired, please call TTY (English and Spanish): **711** 

