

# **PROVIDER NEWSLETTER**

A newsletter for Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. Providers

## **Third Quarter 2021**



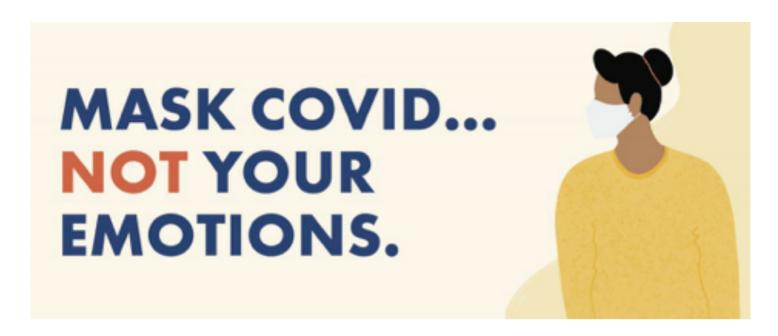
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## Molina Healthcare and PsychHub Partner for Mental Health Resources

Because good behavioral health is vitally important for everyone, Molina Healthcare is committed to doing all we can to support mental wellbeing for providers and members. By joining PsychHub's coalition partnership, Molina can now offer providers and members access to the Mental Wellbeing Resource Hub. This free library of resources helps address mental health issues during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond. Members and providers can search for resources by keyword, topic, and audience. To access the Mental Wellbeing Resources Hub, go to: <a href="https://psychhub.com/initiatives/resource-hub/">https://psychhub.com/initiatives/resource-hub/</a>

#### MolinaHealthcare.com



#### Mental Health Ally Certification (MHAC) Program:

Through partnership with PsychHub, in-network primary care and specialty providers are offered free continuing education credits, Mental Health Ally Certifications, and additional learning opportunities. The MHAC Library offers micro-certification tracks focused on critical topics like mental health competency foundations, substance use awareness, safety planning, diversity, and motivational interviewing basics. The MHAC is made up of eight one-hour, self-paced modules that can be taken in any order, as well as supplemental videos, podcasts, and downloadable PDF file. This certification program is available to all providers/provider offices and recommended for those interested in strengthening their knowledge and competency of behavioral health issues and concepts like primary care, office management and nursing.

To access learning hub resources, go to <a href="https://lms.psychhub.com/">https://lms.psychhub.com/</a> and create an account by clicking 'Log In.' Click the Dashboard button on the navigation toolbar and select 'Join Cohort with Code.' Use the following provider Cohort Code: **sGDcuXXmQXZEGsu**.

Please reach out to your local Provider Services Representative for any additional questions!

## **New Provider Online Directory**

# Molina Healthcare is getting a new Provider Online Directory. Check it out at MolinaSapphireThreeSixtyFive.com!

Molina is committed to improving your online experience. The new Provider Online Directory enhances search functionality so information is available guickly and easily.

Key benefits include:

- User-friendly and intuitive navigation
- Provider profile cards for quick access to information
- Browsing by category, search bar, and common searches
- Expanded search options and filtering for narrowing results
- Provider information you can save to use later

As always, please make sure your provider information is correct. This allows Molina to accurately generate provider directories, process claims, and communicate with our network. Providers must notify Molina in writing at least 30 days in advance of changes:

Roster and Non-Roster Submissions: Submit your most current roster following the standard process to Molina's Network Operations Team: MHNYNetworkOperations@MolinaHealthCare.Com

Demographic Changes: Demographic changes can be also be submitted to MHNYNetworkOperations@MolinaHealthcare.com. There's also a Provider Change Information Form on the provider website MolinaHeatlhcare.com under "Forms" that can be emailed to that address

### **Naloxone Saves Lives!**

On July 23, 2020, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued updated recommendations regarding the use and availability of naloxone. The FDA recommends that health care professionals consider prescribing naloxone to patients taking prescribed opioid pain medicine who are at increased risk of opioid overdose, and discuss the availability of naloxone both when beginning and renewing treatment. Furthermore, health care professionals should consider prescribing naloxone to at-risk patients who are not receiving a prescription for an opioid pain reliever or medicine to treat opioid use disorder (OUD).



Patients considered HIGH RISK include those prescribed opioids who:

- Receive a dosage of 50 morphine milligram equivalents (MME) per day or greater
- Receive opioids with concurrent benzodiazepine (regardless of opioid dose)
- Have a history of overdose
- Have a history of substance use disorder

If your patients are considered HIGH RISK, please consider submitting a prescription to their pharmacy for one of the preferred naloxone products listed below.

#### Preferred Naloxone Products:

- NALOXONE SOLUTION PREFILLED SYRINGE FOR INJECTION 2MG/2ML
- NARCAN NASAL SPRAY 4MG

For naloxone to be effective, members and their friends and family must learn how to use it, put it in an easily accessible place, and inform family and friends where it is located.

## Is Your Authorization Request Urgent?

Molina renders decisions on prior authorization requests as quickly as a member's health requires. In accordance with CMS and state guidelines, providers may submit expedited or urgent requests when standard timelines could seriously jeopardize a member's life or health.

When submitting prior authorization requests, keep the following items in mind:

- An urgent/expedited service request designation should be used only when "applying the standard time for making a determination could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the enrollee or the enrollee's ability to regain maximum function." When submitting requests that don't fulfill this definition, please mark them elective/routine on the Molina Prior Authorization Request Form.
- By requesting an expedited/urgent authorization, providers are asking Molina to make a decision within mandated timeframes. Because these timeframes are measured in hours rather than days, the provider or provider's office staff must be available to answer any potential questions about the request in a timely manner.



• Molina will provide member prior authorization notification and decisions in accordance with CMS and/or any state guidelines which may include verbal and written decisions.

## **Culturally Competency Resources for Providers and Office Staff**

Molina Healthcare is committed to being a culturally competent organization. We support and adhere to the National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) in Health and Health Care as established by the Office of Minority Health. Additionally, we work to achieve NCQA's Multicultural Health Care Distinction in the markets we serve. Cultural

and linguistic competency is the ability to provide respectful and responsive care to members with diverse values, beliefs and behaviors, including tailoring health care delivery to meet members' social, cultural and linguistic needs

### Resources for Your Office and Staff

Molina's Building Culturally Competent Health Care: Training for Providers and Staff

Cultural Competency can positively impact a patient's health care experience and outcomes. As part of



Molina's ongoing commitment to cultural competency, a series of five short Cultural Competency Training videos are available to providers and office staff on the Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Resources/Disability Resources link under the Health Resources tab at www.MolinaHealthcare.com.

## **Training topics:**

- Video 1: Introduction to Cultural Competency
  - The Need for Cultural Competency
  - o How Culture Impacts Health Care
  - o Implicit Bias
  - Federal Requirements Related to Cultural Competency (Affordable Care Act, Americans with Disabilities Act)
- Video 2: Health Disparities
  - Examples of Racial Health Disparities and Health Disparities Among Persons with Disabilities
  - Health Equity
  - o Social Determinants of Health
- Video 3: Specific Population Focus Seniors and Persons with Disabilities
  - Social Model of Disability and Accepted Protocol and Language of the Independent Living/Disability Rights Movement
- Video 4: Specific Population Focus LGBTQ and Immigrants/Refugees
  - Health Disparities Among LGBTQ Population
  - Clear Communication Guidelines for Healthcare Providers Interacting with LGBTQ Patients
  - o Disparities Among Immigrant and Refugee Communities
  - Clear Communication Guidelines for Healthcare Providers Interacting with Immigrant and Refugee Patients
- Video 5: Becoming Culturally Competent
  - Perspective-taking
  - o Clear Communication Guidelines
  - Tips for Effective Listening
  - Assisting Patients whose Preferred Language is Not English
  - Tips for Working with an Interpreter
  - Teach Back Method
  - Molina's Language Access Services

Training videos range from five to ten minutes each. Viewers may participate in all five training modules, or just one, depending on topics of interest. Please contact your Provider Services Representative if you have any questions.

#### Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Resources: Provider Education Series:

A series of provider education materials related to disabilities is now available to providers and office staff on Molina's website. Please visit Molina's Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Resources/Disability Resources link under the Health Resources tab at www.MolinaHealthcare.com to view the materials.

# Molina Healthcare's Provider Education Series – Disability Resources consists of the following educational materials:

- American with Disabilities Act (ADA)
  - o Introduction to the ADA and questions and answers for healthcare providers (i.e. which healthcare providers are covered under the ADA; how does one remove communication barriers that are structural in nature; is there money available to assist with ADA compliance costs?).
- Members who are Blind or have Low Vision
  - How to get information in alternate formats such as Braille, large font, audio, or other formats.
- Service Animals
  - Examples of tasks performed by a service animal; tasks that do not meet the definition of service animal; inquiries you can make regarding service animals; and exclusions, charges, or other specific rules.
- Tips for Communicating with People with Disabilities & Seniors
  - Communicating with Individuals who Are Blind or Visually Impaired; Deaf or Hard of Hearing; Communicating with Individuals with Mobility Impairments; Speech Impairments; and Communicating with Seniors.

Please contact your Provider Services Representative if you have any questions.

## Molina's Language Access Services

Accurate communication strengthens mutual understanding of illness and treatment, increases patient satisfaction, and improves the quality of health care. Providing language access services is a legal requirement for health care systems that receive federal funds; a member cannot be refused services due to language barriers. When needed, Molina provides the following services directly to members at no cost:

- Written material in other formats (i.e. large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, Braille)
- Written material translated into languages other than English
- Oral and Sign Language Interpreter Services
- Relay Service (711)
- 24-Hour Nurse Advice Line
- Bilingual/Bicultural Staff

In many cases, Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. will also cover the cost for a language or sign language interpreter for our members' medical appointments. Molina members and providers are instructed to call the Member and Provider Contact Center to schedule interpreter services or to connect to a telephonic interpreter.

Also, Molina's materials are always written simply in plain language and at required reading levels. For additional information on Molina's language access services or cultural competency resources, contact Provider Services or visit www.MolinaHealthcare.com

## Submitting Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Claims

Submitting claims electronically through methods like clearinghouses or though Molina's Provider Portal offer many advantages. These include:

- Improved HIPAA compliance.
- Reduced operational costs associated with paper claims (printing, postage, etc.).
- Increased accuracy of data and efficient information delivery.
- Fewer claim delays since errors can be corrected and resubmitted electronically!
- Claims reach Molina faster!

#### How to submit EDI claims:

A clearinghouse is the easiest way to submit EDI claims to Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. You may submit EDI transactions through Molina's contracted clearinghouse, SSI/CLAIMSNET or use a clearinghouse of your choice. If you do not have a clearinghouse, Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. offers additional options for electronic claims submissions. Log onto Molina's Provider Portal at availity.com/MolinaHealthcare for more information.

#### Frequently Asked Questions:

- Can I submit COB claims electronically?
  - Yes, Molina and our connected clearinghouses fully support electronic COB.
- Do I need to submit a certain volume of claims to send EDI?
  - No, any number of claims via EDI saves both time and money.
- Which clearinghouses are currently available to submit EDI claims to Molina?
  - Molina Healthcare uses SSI/CLAIMSNET as our channel partner for EDI claims.
     You may use the clearinghouse of your choice, SSI/CLAIMSNET partners with hundreds of other clearinghouses.
- What claims transactions are currently accepted for EDI transmission?
  - o 837P (Professional claims) and 837I (Institutional claims).
  - o 270/271 (Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry and Response)
  - o 278 (Health Care Services Review Request for Review and Response)
  - o 276/277 (Health Care Claim Status Request and Response)
  - 835 (Health Care Claim Payment/Advice)
- What is Molina's Payer ID?
  - o Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc.'s Payer ID is 16146
- What if I still have questions?
  - o More information is available on **Molina's provider website** under the EDI tab.

## **Provider Toolkits**

Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. would like to share with you the following Provider Toolkits posted on the Provider Portal.

#### Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS®) Provider Toolkit

This toolkit contains important information about the CAHPS® survey, best practices, and general tips to improve patient satisfaction. In addition, the toolkit has individual tip sheets for provider-specific CAHPS® measures with helpful recommendations to improve patient experience.

#### **HEDIS® Provider Toolkit**

The purpose of this toolkit is to share pertinent information about Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS®) measures and offer best practices and tips to boost your scores and improve patient health outcomes as determined by these measures.

#### Prenatal and Postpartum Provider Toolkit

This Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC) Toolkit has been designed to provide you with pertinent information on the PPC HEDIS® measure. Included in this toolkit are measure specifications and tips specific to PPC, medical record documentation requirements, and billing guidance.

You may download these toolkits from the Molina provider portal found under the forms section. Provider Portal Link: <a href="https://provider.molinahealthcare.com/">https://provider.molinahealthcare.com/</a>

## **Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT)**

Molina has partnered with our payment vendor, ProviderNet, for Electronic Funds Transfer and Electronic Remittance Advice. Access to the ProviderNet portal is FREE to providers and we encourage you to register after receiving your first check from Molina.

#### New ProviderNet User Registration:

- 1. Go to https://providernet.adminisource.com
- Click "Register"
- 3. Accept the Terms
- 4. Verify your information
  - a. Select Molina Healthcare from Payers list
  - b. Enter your primary NPI
  - c. Enter your primary Tax ID
  - Enter recent claim and/or check number associated with this Tax ID and Molina Healthcare
- 5. Enter your User Account Information
  - a. Use your email address as user name
  - Strong passwords are enforced (8 or more characters consisting of letters/numbers)
- Verify: contact information; bank account information; payment address
  - Note: Any changes to payment address may interrupt the EFT process.
  - Add any additional payment addresses, accounts, and Tax IDs once you have logged in.

#### If you are associated with a Clearinghouse:

- 1. Go to "Connectivity" and click the "Clearinghouses" tab
- 2. Select the Tax ID for which this clearinghouse applies
- 3. Select a Clearinghouse (if applicable, enter your Trading Partner ID)
- Select the File Types you would like to send to this clearinghouse and click "Save"

#### If you are a registered ProviderNet user:

- Log in to ProviderNet and click "Provider Info"
- 2. Click "Add Payer" and select Molina Healthcare from the Payers list
- Enter recent check number associated with your primary Tax ID and Molina Healthcare

#### **BENEFITS**

- Administrative rights to sign-up/manage your own EFT Account
- Ability to associate new providers within your organization to receive EFT/835s
- View/print/save PDF versions of your Explanation of Payment (EOP)
- Historical EOP search by various methods (i.e. Claim Number, Member Name)
- Ability to route files to your ftp and/or associated Clearinghouse

If a provider has questions regarding the actual registration process, they can contact ProviderNet at: (877) 389-1160 or email: wco.provider.registration@changehealthcare.com.

**Note:** Providers, please ensure you are registered for EFT for all participating Molina Healthcare Lines of Business

## Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. Partners with Progeny Health LLC

Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. is pleased to announce an upcoming partnership in the Fall of 2021 with ProgenyHealth LLC, a company that specializes in Neonatal Care Coordination Services. ProgenyHealth's collaborative program will enhance services to our members and support our mission to make a lasting difference in our members' lives by improving their health and well- being. ProgenyHealth's neonatologists, pediatricians and neonatal nurse care managers will work closely with Molina Healthcare of New York's clinical team, attending physicians and nurses to promote healthy outcomes for Molina Healthcare of New York's premature and medically complex newborns. Our hope is that this partnership will have multiple benefits, including:

- Support from a company that believes in sharing best practices and works with NICUs and pediatricians nationwide to improve the health outcomes of our next generation
- A collaborative and proactive approach that supports timely and safe discharge to home
- A partner in efforts to reduce infant mortality and improve health outcomes
- The support of a team that understands the complexity and stress of managing infants who have been in the NICU and will work with you to achieve the best possible outcomes.

If you have questions regarding Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc's relationship with ProgenyHealth, please call your Provider Relations Representative at **(877) 872-4716**. To learn more about ProgenyHealth's programs and services, you can call Progeny directly at (888) 832-2006 or visit www.progenyhealth.com.

## Prior Auth Transition as of 9/1/21

**Effective September 1, 2021,** prior authorization requests and medical coverage appeals for Molina Healthcare members that are currently required to be submitted through eviCore healthcare (eviCore) will transition back to Molina. This change will apply to all Molina lines of business. This will impact prior authorizations and appeals processes for specialized services as outlined in the table below:

Impacted Specialized Service	Molina PA Submission Method	Appeal Submissions to:
<ul> <li>Imaging and Special Tests</li> <li>Advanced Imaging (MRI, CT, PET, Selected Ultrasounds)</li> <li>Cardiac Imaging</li> </ul>	Provider Portal (preferred) OR Fax: 877-731-7218	Pre-Service Appeals: Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. Attn: Appeals & Grievances 5232 Witz Drive, North Syracuse, NY 13212 Fax: 315-234-9812  Post-Service Appeals: Provider Portal (preferred) Fax: 315-234-9812  Mail: Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. Attn: Appeals & Grievances 5232 Witz Drive, North Syracuse, NY 13212
Impacted Specialized Service	Molina PA Submission Method	Appeal Submissions to:
<ul> <li>Radiation Therapy</li> <li>Sleep Covered Services and Related Equipment</li> <li>Molecular and Genomic Testing</li> </ul>	Provider Portal (preferred)  OR  Medicaid & Marketplace: Fax: 877-731-7218  Medicare: Fax: 844-251-1450  MMP(Duals): Fax: 844-251-1451	Pre-Service Appeals: Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. Attn: Appeals & Grievances 5232 Witz Drive, North Syracuse 13212 Fax: 315-234-9812  Post-Service Appeals: Provider Portal (preferred) Fax: 315-234-9812  Mail: Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. Attn: Appeals & Grievances 5232 Witz Drive, North Syracuse, NY 13212

### **Fraud Waste Abuse**

If you suspect cases of fraud, waste, or abuse, you must report it to Molina Health Care. You may do so by contacting the Molina Healthcare Alert Line or submitting an electronic complaint using the website listed below. For more information about fraud, waste and abuse, please see the Compliance Section of the Provider Manual located **here**.

## **New Dental and Vision Vendor Partnerships**

Effective **November 1, 2021,** Molina Healthcare of New York, Inc. will transition from HealthPlex® to DentaQuest®, and from in-network vision benefits to Superior Vision®, to manage benefits and claims. If you are not already in network for DentaQuest® or Superior®, they will work with you regarding contracting. More information will be forthcoming in the weeks ahead.

