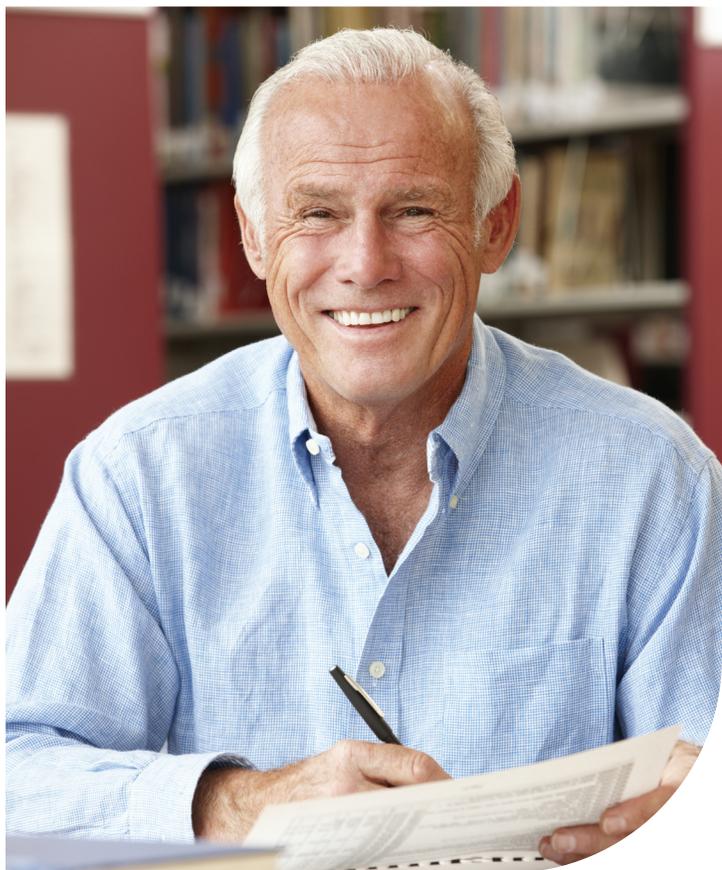


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### Molina Healthcare and PsychHub Partner for Mental Health Resources

Because emotional wellbeing is an essential component of overall health, Molina Healthcare is committed to supporting our providers and members' behavioral health needs in all possible ways. 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: <https://psychhub.com/initiatives/resource-hub/>

# MASK COVID... NOT YOUR EMOTIONS.



## **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 files. 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 <https://lms.psychhub.com/> and create an account. Click 'Log In' then 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 out the new tool when it launches this summer!**

Molina is committed to improving your online experience. The new Provider Online Directory enhances search functionality so information is available quickly 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. Changes should be submitted on the [Provider Change Form](#) at [MolinaHealthcare.com](https://www.molinahealthcare.com) under the Frequently Used Forms section.

## 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, we at Molina encourage you to send a prescription to their pharmacy for one of the preferred naloxone products listed below. This simple act could save lives.

### 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.

## 2021 Molina Healthcare Model of Care Provider Training

In alignment with requirements from the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS), Molina requires PCPs and key high-volume specialists including Psychiatrists, Cardiologists, Hematologists, and Oncologists to receive training about Molina's Special Needs Plans (SNPs) Model of Care (MOC).

The SNPs Model of Care is the plan for delivering coordinated care and care management to special needs members. Per CMS requirements, Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) are responsible for conducting their own MOC training, which means you may be asked to complete separate trainings by multiple insurers.

2021 Model of Care training materials, Quick Reference Guide, and Attestation Forms are available at <https://www.Molinahealthcare.com/-/media/Molina/PublicWebsite/PDF/Providers/common/medicare/model-of-care-Provider-Training.pdf>. The completion date for this year's training is 12/31/2021.

## 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.
- Submit all necessary information with the request. Failure to do so will require Molina to ask for additional information, which could delay the decision. If Molina requests more information, we urge providers to respond immediately to allow Molina to render a decision within the mandated expedited timeframe.
- 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, Molina in Washington State has received NCQA's [Distinction in Multicultural Health Care](#) for Medicaid, which recognizes organizations leading the market in providing culturally and linguistically appropriate services. 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 [MolinaHealthcare.com](https://www.molinahealthcare.com).

#### Training topics:

- Video 1: Introduction to Cultural Competency
  - The Need for Cultural Competency
  - How Culture Impacts Health Care
  - 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
  - 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
  - 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
  - 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 [MolinaHealthcare.com](https://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)
  - Introduction to the ADA and questions and answers for health care providers (i.e. which health care 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

Also, Molina's member 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 [MolinaHealthcare.com](http://MolinaHealthcare.com).

## Submitting Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Claims

Submitting claims electronically through methods like clearinghouses or through 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. You may submit EDI transactions through Molina's contracted clearinghouse, Change Healthcare, or use a clearinghouse of your choice. If you do not have a clearinghouse, Molina offers additional options for electronic claims submissions. Log onto Molina's Provider Portal at [provider.Molinahealthcare.com](http://provider.Molinahealthcare.com) for more information.

### Frequently Asked Questions:

- Can I submit Coordination of Benefits (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 uses Change Healthcare as our channel partner for EDI claims. You may use the clearinghouse of your choice. Change Healthcare partners with hundreds of other clearinghouses (additional charges may be incurred).
- What claims transactions are currently accepted for EDI transmission?
  - 837P (Professional claims) and 837I (Institutional claims).
  - 270/271 (Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry and Response)
  - 278 (Health Care Services Review - Request for Review and Response)
  - 276/277 (Health Care Claim Status Request and Response)
  - 835 (Health Care Claim Payment/Advice)
- What is Molina's Payer ID?
  - Molina Healthcare of Washington's Payer ID is 38336
- What if I still have questions?
  - More information is available at <http://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/wa/medicaid/home> under the EDI ERA/EFT tab.

## Provider Toolkits

Molina Healthcare of Washington 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: <https://provider.molinahealthcare.com/>