



Provider Newsflash



A fax bulletin for the Molina Healthcare of Washington Provider Network

Implementation of new Medicaid Policies Effective January 1, 2018

Please be aware of the following important changes to Health Care Authority (HCA) policies for 2018. Additional details of these policy changes can be found on our website at MolinaHealthcare.com/WA2018Changes:

- **Emergency Ground Transportation Benefit:** covered by Fee-for-Service (FFS) and not the health plan
- **Depression Screenings:** new coverage for adolescents age 12-20 and caregivers of children 0-6 months
- **Children's Mental Health:** new law requires strengthened access to resources and response to children identified as needing mental health care
- **Collaborative Care Model (CoCM) Coverage:** specific component of a behavioral health integration model developed at UW and is designed to support PCP management of conditions such as depression and anxiety
- **Revised Potentially Preventable Readmission Policy:** All Medicaid health plans and FFS will follow a common policy that contains specific provider requirements in discharge and follow-up planning. Determination and recoupment will be *retroactive* and applies only to medically necessary readmissions. A separate communication will follow with additional details.

BHO Contact List

A list of specific contact information for Behavioral Health Organization (BHO) is available at MolinaHealthcare.com/Providers/WA.

If you have any additional questions about these new policies please call (800) 869-7165.

Thank you for your continued service to Molina members.