

Provider Memorandum

Reminder: Third Party Liability

Molina Healthcare of Illinois (Molina) is reminding providers, if Molina pays a claim that it is the responsibility of a third party, Molina will seek reimbursement from the provider.

Molina Healthcare is the payer of last resort and will make every effort to determine the appropriate third party payer for services rendered. Molina Healthcare may deny claims when third party has been established and will process claims for covered services when probable Third Party Liability (TPL) has not been established or third party benefits are not available to pay a claim. Molina Healthcare will attempt to recover any third-party resources available to members and shall maintain records pertaining to TPL collections on behalf of members for audit and review.

Molina members may have one, or more, additional source(s) of health care coverage. Third party liability refers to the legal obligation of third parties (e.g., certain individuals, entities, insurers or programs) to pay part or all of the medical expenses furnished under a Medicaid state plan.

For Third Party Liability (TLP) cases, Molina will pursue recovery after the claim has been paid. Please refer to the Medicaid Provider Manual, Section 16.13, for more information on third party liability.

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Providers should note third party liability is not the same as coordination of benefits. Some scenarios that fall under third party liability are:

- Some lawsuits
- Slips and falls in a store/business where the business assumes liability
 - Injuries on private property where a homeowner is liable and a homeowner's policy pays, or there is a resulting lawsuit (dog bites, slip and fall or injuries by domestic workers, gardeners, carpenters, plumbers, etc.)
 - Product liability cases (illness or injury caused by consuming certain foods or drugs) and the manufacturer is deemed liable
- Workers' Compensation cases
- Auto insurance

Questions?

If you have questions, please call (855) 866-5462.