July 30, 2020

Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Policy Transmittal: 2020-42

Applicable to the 2018-2023 SMMC contract benefits for:
- Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) and MMA Specialty
- Long-Term Care (LTC)
- Dental

Re: Additional Ad Hoc Request for Private Duty Nursing Data

The managed care plan may be required to provide the Agency or its agents information or data relative to this contract. In such instances, and at the direction of the Agency, the managed care plan must fully cooperate with such requests and furnish all data or information in a timely manner, in the format in which it is requested. The managed care plan must have at least thirty (30) days to fulfill such ad hoc requests, unless the Agency directs the managed care plan to provide data or information in less than thirty (30) days. The managed care plan must certify that data and information it submits to the Agency is accurate, truthful, and complete in accordance with 42 CFR 438.606. (Attachment II, Section XVI.A.1.b.) The purpose of this policy transmittal is to inform the managed care plan of an ad hoc request for private duty nursing services authorization and utilization data, required in addition to the information already provided in response to policy transmittal 2020-38 issued on June 26, 2020.

The Agency is developing a home health incentive payment project to implement Specific Appropriations 215 and 226 of the 2020-2021 General Appropriations Act (HB 5003), which added subsection (6) to section 409.968, Florida Statutes. The intent of the home health incentive payment project is to ensure the provision of all covered and authorized home health services to recipients, the development of methods for measuring provider compliance, and mechanisms for documenting compliance to the agency. As we undertake the development of this new program, the Agency is requesting baseline information concerning the coverage percentage of Private Duty Nursing Services. Therefore, the managed care plan must compile private duty nursing services authorization and utilization data in accordance with the requirements in the attached template. Data must include dates of service October 1, 2019, through March 31, 2020.

The managed care plan must submit the requested data to the Agency’s SMMC_CY18-23 secure file transfer protocol site, Port 4443, within the managed care plan’s designated folder path, in the AdHoc/2020 folder. The managed care plan must use the file naming convention “XXXHB955PDNdata.xls”, where XXX is the plans three-digit identifier and submit this report to the Agency by close of business August 5, 2020.

For technical assistance questions, contact the Actuarial Services Unit by email at MDA_ACTUARIAL@ahca.myflorida.com. For other questions or concerns, please contact your Agency contract manager at (850) 412-4004.
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Sincerely,

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Attachment: Ad Hoc PDN Template 07.28.2020