2023 Provider Manual

This edition includes:

- Washington Apple Health Integrated Managed Care
- Medicare Advantage/D-SNP
- Cascade Select
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Introduction

Welcome to Community Health Plan of Washington (CHPW)

We are pleased that you have chosen to participate in our network of dedicated providers. Thank you for sharing in our organization’s mission to deliver accessible managed care services that meet the needs and improve the health of our communities and make managed care participation beneficial for community-responsive providers.

CHPW’s Provider Manual serves as a provider resource and is inclusive of this document and all other applicable CHPW manuals, policies and procedures, and documents referred to within the Provider Manual. The Provider Manual is reviewed and updated at least annually (as necessary) and includes information and guidance related to Compliance Program and Fraud, Waste and Abuse (FWA) requirements; Credentialing and Re-credentialing process; Utilization Management (including Prior Authorization requirements); Claims and Encounter data submissions; Reimbursement policies; Drug Formularies; and CHPW Provider Directories.

The 2023 CHPW Provider Manual includes relevant revisions, and any new information. CHPW’s policies and other information and resources are available at www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/.

Starting in 2023, your CHNW patients will become CHPW Individual and Family Cascade Select members. They will be mailed new ID cards.

If you have questions, please contact Customer Service at:

- CHPW Washington Apple Health Integrated Managed Care (WAHIMC) Customer Service toll free at (800) 440-1561, Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm.
- CHPW Medicare Advantage (MA) Customer Service toll free at (800) 942-0247, 7 days a week, 8am to 8pm.
- CHPW Individual and Family Cascade Select Customer Service toll free at (866) 907-1906, Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm.
- Fax: (206) 652-7040
Your Role as a CHPW Provider

As a CHPW provider, you have agreed to provide care to our enrolled members. We look forward to supporting you in providing accessible, quality health care that meets the needs of your patients—our members. A description of benefits and compensation extended to you is detailed in your Provider Agreement, in this Provider Manual, and in the policies referenced throughout this document. As part of your role, you are obligated to cooperate and participate in utilization review; quality improvement (including collection of performance data); quality assurance programs; necessity of care evaluations; clinical and service evaluations; coordination of benefit activities; health care coding reviews; care coordination; participation in provider training including clinical, operational, IMC-specific, and other training topics and cost-containment activities as described in this Provider Manual, CHPW Policies and Procedures, and in your Provider Agreement.

Directory of Services/Contact Information
Community Health Plan of Washington
1111 Third Avenue, Suite 400
Seattle, WA 98101
Phone: (206) 521-8830 (Local) or (800) 440-1561 (Toll Free)
Fax: (206) 521-8834
www.chpw.org
## CHPW Plan Contacts

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| **CHPW WAHIMC and Behavioral Health Services Only (BHSO) - Customer Service**  
Monday – Friday, 8am – 5pm | **(800) 440-1561**  
**Fax:** (206) 652-7040  
[www.chpw.org](http://www.chpw.org) |
| **General information:** CHPW Policies & Procedures, Member benefits and eligibility verification, Member lists, Complaints, Provider Contract inquiries, Clinic/Primary Care Provider (PCP) information changes, Credentialing, Compliance, and any other provider inquiries. | |
| **CHPW MA - Customer Service**  
Seven (7) days a week, 8am – 8pm | **(800) 942-0247**  
**Fax:** (206) 652-7050  
[https://medicare.chpw.org/](https://medicare.chpw.org/) |
| **CHPW Individual and Family Cascade Select - Customer Service**  
Monday - Friday, 8am - 5pm | **(866) 907-1906**  
Fax (206) 652-7040  
[https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/](https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/) |
| **Health Services**  
Monday – Friday, 8am – 5pm | **(800) 440-1561 (Toll Free)**  
Fax: (206) 613-8873 |
| Prior authorizations, Hospital Notifications, Case Management, Disease Management, Care Management, Pharmacy Management, Quality Improvement activities, and Utilization Management  
Customer Service numbers accept collect calls related to Utilization Management (UM) issues  
- WAHIMC Prior Authorizations Requests | |

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<td>Medicare Prior Authorization Requests/MA</td>
<td>Fax: (206) 652-7065</td>
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<td>WAHIMC Prior Authorization Requests (Behavioral Health Services)</td>
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<td>Record Retrieval</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Record.Retrieval@chpw.org">Record.Retrieval@chpw.org</a></td>
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<td>Questions and requests related to Record retrieval (including HEDIS and Risk Adjustment) Projects, in process.</td>
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<td>If we request records from you for post payment review and your provider/facility uses a third party record vendor, send notification to this email when the records are ready for retrieval from the vendor</td>
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<td>Appeal and Grievance Disputes</td>
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<td>WAHIMC: (800) 440-1561</td>
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<td>Medicare: (800) 942-0247</td>
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<td>Fax: (206) 613-8984 (routine)</td>
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<td>Fax: (206) 613-8983 (urgent)</td>
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<td>CHPW MA Customer Service: (800) 942-0247 (Toll Free)</td>
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<td>CHPW Individual and Family Cascade Select Customer Service: (866) 907-1906</td>
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| **Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)/Rural Health Center (RHC) Enhancement Questions/Issues** | If you have questions about these enhancements, please email: **enhancement.questions@chpw.org** |
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<td>Coverage Determination Requests: (844) 605-8168 (Toll Free), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week</td>
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<td>Eligibility and Claims - OneHealthPort</td>
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<td>OneHealthPort Support: 1 (800) 973-4797</td>
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<td>Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry and Response</td>
<td>Please contact your clearinghouse/trading partner to confirm whether they have an established connection with CHPW. If not, please request your clearinghouse/trading partner email <a href="mailto:DL_Consumerism_Services@nttdata.com">DL_Consumerism_Services@nttdata.com</a> to initiate connection.</td>
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<td>Availity: (800) 282-4548</td>
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### Electronic Remittance Advices (ERA; 835 Transactions)

CHPW provides ERA via the Availity Clearinghouse.

Use CHPW’s Payer Identifier for 835 transactions: CHPWA.

Availity: (800) 282-4548

### Vision Service Provider (VSP)

MA, Individual and Family Cascade Select, and Medicaid (Adult) Vision

[https://www.vsp.com/contact-us](https://www.vsp.com/contact-us)

### HCA Provider billing guides and fee schedules


### The Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services

[https://www.cms.gov/](https://www.cms.gov/)

### Coordination of Care Contacts

CHPW is providing Telephonic Interpreter Assistance for our providers to use with CHPW MA members. The telephonic interpreter service is offered through LanguageLine Solutions. For more information on how to use this service, refer to the Interpreter Services section.

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Patient Review and Coordination (PRC) Program (for members who meet WAC 182-501-0135 criteria) [https://www.hca.wa.gov/health-care-services-supports/program-administration/patient-review-and-coordination](https://www.hca.wa.gov/health-care-services-supports/program-administration/patient-review-and-coordination)


Foster Care–Fostering Well-Being [https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/services/foster-parenting](https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/services/foster-parenting)

Health Homes [https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/programs-and-services/health-homes](https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/programs-and-services/health-homes)


Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment [https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/program-information-providers/substance-use-treatment](https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/program-information-providers/substance-use-treatment)

Aging and Disability Services (including home & community-based services) [https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa](https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa)

Hearing Services
Telecommunication Access Services (800) 422-7941 (TTY)
(800) 422-7930 (Voice)

Long Term Care (LTC) Services [https://www.dshs.wa.gov/ALTSA/resources](https://www.dshs.wa.gov/ALTSA/resources)

Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT) [https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/services/child-development-supports/esit](https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/services/child-development-supports/esit)

Department of Health and Local Health Jurisdiction Services (including Title V services for children with special health care needs) [https://www.doh.wa.gov/AboutUs/PublicHealthSystem/LocalHealthJurisdictions](https://www.doh.wa.gov/AboutUs/PublicHealthSystem/LocalHealthJurisdictions)

Changes

**CHPW Washington Apple Health Integrated Managed Care (WAHIMC)**

CHPW is pleased to offer WAHIMC coverage in all counties in Washington State. If you have any questions, please contact Customer Service at (800) 440-1561, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., or email CustomerCare@chpw.org.

CHPW MA Plans and Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan (D-SNP)

CHPW makes annual benefit changes to our MA Plans and the MA D-SNP plan. To see changes effective January 1, 2023, please visit https://medicare.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/ for a summary of benefit information. For the Evidence of Coverage (EOC), visit https://medicare.chpw.org/chpw-washington-state-medicare-advantage-plans/all-medicare-plans-2023/. Click “See More” to select the appropriate plans EOC. Note: The vision benefit is administered by Vision Service Plan (VSP) providing members frames and basic lenses, within the benefit amount allowed.

CHPW Individual and Family Cascade Select Plans

CHPW expanded our Individual and Family Cascade Select plans in two (2) additional counties in 2023: Ferry and Whitman.

If you have any questions, please contact Customer Service at (866) 907-1906 Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., or email CustomerCare@chpw.org.

Please visit https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/ for the benefit summaries and grids.

Provider Rights and Responsibilities

CHPW Provider Rights

- To be treated with dignity and respect by our members.
- To receive accurate and complete information/medical history for the members’ care.
- To expect members to follow treatment plans and protocols.
- To file a complaint or appeal against CHPW and/or a member.
- To file a grievance on behalf of a member (with member consent).
- To have access to CHPW’s Quality Improvement Program, including goals, activities, and outcomes that relate to the members care/services.
- To collaborate with other health care professionals who are involved in the care of the member.
- To have access to Provider Relations and/or Customer Service staff for issues, concerns, or questions.

CHPW Provider Responsibilities

- Inform members of their right to self-refer for certain services.
- Provide or arrange interpretive services for members who are hearing-impaired or whose primary language is not English.
- Obtain informed consent from the member or from a person authorized to consent on behalf of the member prior to treatment.
- Inform members of their right to file a grievance and how to do so. In the case of a member grievance regarding behavioral health services, offer the assistance of the Behavioral Health
Ombuds in the region where member resides.

- Utilize research-based practices for individuals, including those with a co-occurring mental health and chemical dependency diagnosis.
- Provide adult members with written information about Advance Directives and their right to make anatomical gifts.
- Assist members in receiving health care services not covered by CHPW.
- Must not be excluded or sanctioned by the Office of Inspector General (OIG) or the General Services Agency (GSA)/Systems for Award Management (SAM).
- Ensure that members participate in developing their Individual Care Plan (ICP), Advance Directive/POLST and Crisis Plans. (Includes children and their families (e.g., caregivers and significant others, parents, foster parents, assigned/appointed guardians, siblings), and adults.) At a minimum, treatment goals will include the “words” of the individual. Documentation must be included in the clinical record, describing how the individual views their progress. An Individual Peer Support Plan (IPSP) may be integrated into or appended to, the Individual Service Plan, for members receiving behavioral health services.
- Demonstrate efforts to coordinate care with crisis services and other allied systems. Have a process to convey all necessary information to ensure continued delivery of medically necessary services.
- Facilities must notify CHPW timely of all inpatient admissions (as described in the “Care Management” section of this manual) as a condition of payment. Inpatient and emergency services must be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Accept payment in full and not balance bill a member for covered services. Refer to CHPW’s Member/Balance Billing Training Program at https://www.chpw.org/wp-content/uploads/content/provider-center/training/Member_BillingTraining_Program_508.pdf

Non-discrimination

Providers must not discriminate against any patient regarding quality of service or accessibility of services because they are our member. You must not discriminate against any patient based on:

- Type of health insurance
- Race
- Ethnicity
- National origin
- Religion
- Sex
- Age
- Mental or physical disability or medical condition
- Sexual orientation
- Claims experience
- Medical history
- Genetic information
- Type of payment

You must maintain policies and procedures to demonstrate you do not discriminate in the delivery of service and accept for treatment any members in need of your service.
Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Guidelines
Participating care providers must have practice policies showing they accept any patient in need of the health care they provide. The organization and its care providers must make public declarations (i.e., through posters or mission statements) of their commitment to non-discriminatory behavior in conducting business with all members. These documents should explain that this expectation applies to all personnel, clinical and non-clinical, in their dealings with each member.

In this regard, you must undertake new construction and renovations, as well as barrier reductions required to achieve program accessibility, following the established accessibility standards of the ADA guidelines. For complete details go to ADA.gov > Featured Topics > A Guide to Disability Rights Laws.

We may request any of the following ADA-related descriptions of:
- Accessibility to your office or facility
- The methods you or your staff use to communicate with members who have visual or hearing impairments
- The training your staff receive to learn and implement these guidelines

Care for Members Who Are Hearing-Impaired
Refusing to provide care or interpreter services for a person with a qualifying disability is an ADA violation. Members who are hearing-impaired have the right to use sign language interpreters to help them at their care provider visits.

Appointment Availability and Wait Times
CHPW is committed to providing timely access to care for all members in a safe and healthy environment. CHPW will ensure a provider offer CHPW patients the same hours of operations as commercially insured patients. CHPW follows the Accessibility and Appointment Wait Time requirements required by the Health Care Authority (HCA) and other regulatory agencies and accreditation organizations. Access standards were developed to ensure that health care services are provided in a timely manner. The tables below outline appointment availability standards:

### PCP, OB/GYN, and Midwife Providers

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<td>Care Transition – PCP Visit</td>
<td>Transitional health care services by a PCP shall be available for Clinical Assessment and Care Planning within seven (7) calendar days of discharge (from inpatient/institutional care (for physical or behavioral health disorders) or discharge from a Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment program).</td>
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<td>Urgent, symptomatic care</td>
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<td>Non-Urgent</td>
<td>Within 1 month of referral or as clinically indicated</td>
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Specialist Provider Responsibilities

Specialists can refer patients for radiology, therapies, or other specialist services. The PCP should be apprised of additional care the member may need, which allows for better member care coordination.

To ensure continuity of care for the member, participating Specialists must:
- Maintain contact and open communication with the member’s PCP.
- Obtain authorization from CHPW for services that require a prior authorization.
- Coordinate the member’s care with their PCP.
- Provide the member’s PCP with consultation reports and other appropriate patient records within five (5) business days of receipt of such reports or test results.
- Be available for or provide on-call coverage through another source, 24/7 for management of member care.
- Actively participate and cooperate with CHPW quality initiatives and programs.

WAHIMC and BHSO Special Program - Standards and Responsibilities

Wraparound with Intensive Services (WiSe): All contracted WiSe providers must comply with the following guidelines located at:
• The SERI guide (Service Encounter Reporting Instructions [http://hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/program-information-providers/service-encounter-reporting-instructions-seri]); and
• Related CHPW Policies and Procedures.

Program of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT): All contracted PACT providers must comply with the following guidelines located at:
• Washington state PACT Program Standards ([https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/behavioral-health-recovery/program-assertive-community-treatment-pact]).
• SERI Guide ([http://hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/program-information-providers/service-encounter-reporting-instructions-seri]); and
• Related CHPW Policies and Procedures.

NOTE: The WISe and PACT Programs apply to the WAHIMC and BHSO plans only.

Transitional Age Youth (TAY): All contracted providers serving members between the ages of fifteen (15) and twenty-five (25) years will address any noted challenges for the member identified in their assessment(s) and treatment and/or care plan. The elements in the treatment and/or care plan include:
• A comprehensive transition plan linked across systems that identify goals, objectives, strategies, supports, and outcomes. Developed in partnership with other child-serving agencies as appropriate.
• Individual behavioral health and physical health needs in the context of a Transition Age Youth, which include supported transition to meaningful employment, post-secondary education, technical training, housing, community supports, natural supports, and cross-system coordination with other system providers.
• For youth who require continued services in the adult behavioral or physical health system, must identify transitional services that allow for consistent and coordinated services and supports for young people and their parents.
• Developmentally and culturally appropriate adult services that are relevant to the individual or population.

CHPW notifies members, either by mail or phone, about alternatives and resources for continuing care when necessary. CHPW may assist members to obtain access to services.

Access to Providers 24 Hours a Day, Seven Days a Week (24/7)
CHPW providers are required to maintain access to health care services on an ongoing basis and shall ensure that services are accessible to members as needed 24/7, 365 days/year as follows:
• Provider offices must answer the phone during normal business hours.
• After normal business hours and on weekends, a provider must have:
  o A covering provider.
  o An answering service.
  o A triage service or voicemail message that provides a second phone number that is answered. For example, behavioral and mental health providers should include a crisis
center phone number on their answering machine.

- Any recorded message must be provided in English. If the provider’s practice includes a high population of Spanish-speaking members, the message should also be recorded in Spanish.

**Unacceptable After-Hours Coverage**

Unacceptable after-hours phone coverage includes, but is not limited to:

- Calls answered by voicemail requesting member to leave a message.
- Calls answered by voicemail directing member to an Emergency Room; and
- Calls received at a Behavioral or Mental health provider answered by voicemail which does not include a Crisis Services number; and
- Not responding to messages within thirty (30) minutes.

After-hour coverage requires providers to connect the patient to someone who can provide a clinical decision or reach a PCP/Specialist for a clinical decision. The PCP, Specialists, or on-call medical professional must respond to the initial contact within thirty (30) minutes. After-hours coverage must be accessible using the medical office’s daytime phone number. CHPW’s Provider staff monitor provider compliance with this contractual requirement.

**Screening and Assessment**

**Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT)** services must be structured in a way that is culturally and age appropriate, involves family, and is available to individuals under the age of 21. The Intake evaluation provided under an EPSDT referral must include a family needs assessment.

**Washington State Health Screening schedule:**

- Six (6) screenings during the first year of life:

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- Seven well-child visits between ages 1-4 (12 months, 15 months, 18 months, 24 months, 30 months, 3 years, 4 years)

- One well-child visit every 365 days between ages 5-21 recommended biennially for adults between nineteen (19) and twenty (20) years.
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<td>800 562-3022</td>
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<td>Vaccines for Children</td>
<td>doh.wa.gov &gt; Public Health System Resources and Services &gt; Immunization &gt; Childhood Vaccine Program</td>
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Mental Health and SUD providers must ensure consumers ages thirteen (13) and older complete the GAIN-SS (Global Appraisal of Individual Needs- Short Screener) upon admit. The GAIN-SS is a statewide approved evidence-based, five-minute screening/assessment tool used to identify clients who have one or more behavioral health disorders. The GAIN-SS Assessment Tool form(s) 14-479 and 04-416 are located at Contractor and provider resources | Washington State Health Care Authority

Care Standards Documents

Critical Incident Reporting
A Critical Incident is an event involving a member or provider in a harmful situation with impact to health and safety. CHPW is required to identify, investigate, and track Critical Incidents and report the incident to the Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA).

The HCA identifies a set of Critical Incidents that must be reported to the state for WAHIMC contracted plan members. Examples:

A. Suicide or attempted suicide.
B. Death, abuse, neglect, sexual or financial exploitation of a member, occurring within a contracted behavioral health facility (inpatient psychiatric, behavioral health agencies, Federally qualified health Center (FQHC), or an independent behavioral health provider.
C. Severely adverse medical outcomes or death occurring within 72 hours of transfer from a contracted behavioral health facility to a medical treatment facility.
D. Violent acts allegedly committed by a member with a behavioral health diagnosis or history of behavioral health treatment within the previous 365 days. Acts include:
   i. Arson.
   ii. Assault or action resulting in serious bodily harm.
   iii. Homicide or attempted homicide by abuse.
   iv. Kidnapping.
   v. Sexual assault.
E. Unauthorized leave from a behavioral health facility during an involuntary detention.
F. Credible threat to member safety.
G. Poisoning/overdose unintentional or intention unknown.
H. Event likely to attract media attention.

Providers must report a Critical Incident within one (1) business day when made aware of the event, the Critical Incident Report Form is located at:  
Once completed, send the form to CHPW at Critical.Incidents@chpw.org.

Upon receipt, CHPW will contact the provider within 45 days through the HCA Incident Reporting System, if additional information is needed.

Community Behavioral Health Reporting and Data
All contracted, licensed, and certified Behavioral Health Agencies (BHAs) HPW will be required to collect and submit Behavioral Health (BH) supplemental transactions. BHAs are required to comply with the Data Collection and Reporting Requirements outlined in the Behavioral Health Supplemental Transaction Guide.

If you have questions regarding Behavioral Health Supplemental Data requirements, please contact Provider.Relations@CHPW.org.

Credentialing and Re-credentialing
CHPW’s Credentialing Program meets the criteria outlined in CHPW’s Mission Statement and the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) standards for accreditation.

The Credentialing Program governs the credentialing function and establishes the criteria, standards, and processes to select and retain qualified health care providers to promote quality care to members.

The Credentialing Program includes the structure and oversight responsibilities of CHPW for any credentialing activities that may be delegated to another provider group or health care organization.

The Credentialing Program includes an annual evaluation and periodic revision to the related CHPW Policies and Procedures adopted by the Credentialing Committee.

This program outlines the credentialing criteria and standards that determine compliance for CHPW network participation.

For credentialing status inquiries, please email Provider.Credentialing@chpw.org.
Provider Rights

Right to review information to support application
Providers who have been or are in the process of being credentialed by CHPW have the right to review the credentialing information collected during initial credentialing, re-credentialing, and ongoing review processes.

Providers are notified of their rights in the CHPW Cover letter that accompanies CHPW’s Initial Credentialing and Re-Credentialing application(s). The cover letter describes the intent of the process and the steps a provider must take to review the information collected.

Right to correct erroneous information
If information provided on the application is inconsistent with information obtained from the primary source verification, the CHPW Credentialing Specialist will send the provider written notification of the discrepancy and request formal written clarification. The notification will include a summary of the inconsistent information and a request to have the provider’s response returned within ten (10) business days. Notification will be sent electronically, or certified return receipt requested, and the correspondence will be marked “Confidential” as applicable.

The provider may not make any corrections to an application that has already been submitted and attested to be correct and complete. However, the provider has a right to submit an addendum to correct erroneous information submitted by another party. If preferred, the provider may add an explanation for the erroneous information on their application, include a signed and dated statement attesting to the accuracy of the information provided, and then return the information to the CHPW Credentialing Specialist.

Right to be informed of application status
Providers may contact the Credentialing department at (206) 515-7942 to discuss their credentialing status.
All reviews must be performed onsite at the CHPW office. The CHPW Medical Director or a member of the Credentialing Team will accompany the provider during the file review.

Documents available for review are:
- Items submitted by the applicant
- Malpractice insurance information
- Licensing boards’ information
- American Medical Association (AMA) or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) query response

Peer review documents, references, or other information that is peer reviewed or protected will not be shared with the applicant. CHPW is not required to reveal the source of information that is not obtained to meet the primary source verification requirements, or when law prohibits disclosure.
Upon request, CHPW will provide the status of their application. The provider is notified of this right when they receive the cover letter that accompanies CHPW’s Credentialing and Re-credentialing Application. The provider may contact the Credentialing Specialist for information about the status of their credentialing application. The Credentialing Specialist will explain where the application is in the process. The Credentialing Specialist may share other permitted information with the provider regarding their application.

**Note:** As a reminder, a provider **cannot** provide health care services to a CHPW member if the provider has not completed the credentialing process. Any claim received will be denied if the provider has not completed the credentialing process at the time services were rendered.

**Access to Records and Member Health Information**

Provider shall permit reasonable access to financial records, medical records, and any other records that relate to their Provider Agreement to authorized representatives of CHPW, Payers, and state or federal agencies with applicable authority.

Access to such records shall be to the extent permitted by law and as necessary to fulfill the terms of the Provider Agreement and CHPW’s state and federal contractual obligations, as well as NCQA, legal, and accreditation requirements. Retrieval and duplication of records shall be at the provider’s expense.

Provider shall permit CHPW to conduct audits of member medical records for covered services rendered under their Provider Agreement. Such inspection, audit, and duplication of records shall be allowed upon reasonable notice during regular business hours.

Providers have the right to reasonable access to CHPW claim payment records for the purpose of auditing their claim payment history and claim denials pursuant to WAC 284-43-324.

Provider must retain all member information referenced in the Provider Agreement. Member information includes medical records, claims, benefits, and other medical or administrative data that is personally identifiable to the member.

**Clinical Data Repository (CDR)**

The Health Care Authority (HCA) has advanced Washington’s capabilities to collect, share, and use integrated **physical and behavioral health** information for **Apple Health** enrollees from provider’s Electronic Health Record systems (EHRs) by implementing the Washington Link4Health Clinical Data Repository (CDR). Note that this requirement does not apply to SUD treatment providers.

HCA has partnered with OneHealthPort to develop and manage the CDR. You will find webinars and documents to help you understand the CDR and keep you updated on new developments and progress at [https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/programs-and-initiatives/health-information-technology/clinical-data-repository-cdr](https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/programs-and-initiatives/health-information-technology/clinical-data-repository-cdr).

The OneHealthPort Clinical Data Repository (CDR) is a patient-centric database that collects clinical data from many sources across the community. The CDR is designed to simplify access to clinical
history and provide a longitudinal view of an individual’s patient record. The healthcare community contributes clinical data and can view data through a Clinical Portal to see what is available from other providers to better coordinate and enhance care delivery. This service is being offered in response to the growing need to aggregate and access clinical information from diverse electronic health record (EHR) systems.

To use the OneHealthPort CDR, your organization must be registered with the OneHealthPort SSO and have a OneHealthPort Health Information Exchange (HIE) Participation Agreement.

If your organization does not have an SSO account, learn how your organization can register at https://www.onehealthport.com/sso/register-your-organization.

Don’t know if your organization is already a participant with the OneHealthPort HIE? Check the Participant List at https://www.onehealthport.com/hie/participants.

To become a participant with the OneHealthPort HIE, go to https://www.onehealthport.com/hie/contracting.

For more information and to learn more about the steps that need to be taken to participate in CDR please visit the Washington State Health Care Authority’s CDR website, hosted by OneHealthPort, at http://www.onehealthport.com/hca-cdr.

For assistance contact the OneHealthPort help desk at 1.800.973.4797 (toll free) 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can also contact them with your questions by submitting a form at https://onehealthport.formstack.com/forms/contact_us

Users can complete training in one hour or less and reference materials are available on the OneHealthPort website at https://www.onehealthport.com/.

Providers with certified EHRs seeing Apple Health Managed Care members must send a Consolidated Clinical Document Architecture (CCDA) summary from the provider’s EHR to the CDR.

Behavioral health providers are encouraged to send CCDA from their EHR to the CDR. Substance use disorder providers are not required to submit CCDA to the CDR. If you/your organization meet(s) the following criteria, you are required to participate in the CDR:

• Your organization is part of a Managed Care Organization that serves Apple Health consumers;
• Your organization has a 2014 certified EHR system; and,
• You have received monies from either the Medicare or Medicaid EHR Incentive Program

Should you have any questions for CHPW, please email Provider.Relations@chpw.org

Security of Health Information
CHPW and the provider must have developed, implemented, maintain, and use administrative, technical, and physical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality,
integrity, and availability of a member’s protected health information (PHI). This applies to any formats that CHPW or the provider creates, receives, maintains, or transmits in performing duties under the Provider Agreement to protect member safety, and the privacy and security of member PHI. Further, CHPW and the provider must safeguard all member medical information including the paper and/or electronic health record against loss, defacement, theft, tampering, and from use by unauthorized individuals.

Medical Record Documentation Standards
A provider must construct and maintain a medical record for each CHPW member while the member is an active patient. If the member becomes an inactive patient, the medical record may be moved to storage; however, the provider must retain all medical records for ten (10) years. This includes all medical records, X-ray films, tissue specimens, slides, and photographs which are the property of the provider.

All paper-based notes, reports, etc. in the medical record must be secured in the member’s folder or electronically attached to the member’s file/record.

An active member’s medical record should be kept at each provider’s office. If the member becomes an inactive patient, the medical record may be kept offsite. Records must be easily retrievable. All medical records, active and inactive, must be supplied within 30 days of a request by CHPW. Urgent requests should be met according to the clinical situation.

The provider must comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations related to medical records documentation/retention, as well as medical record requests.

Medical record information can only be released with a completed and signed HIPAA compliant Release of Information form.

Provider Data Quality Assurance
Reporting Changes in Provider Information
A CHPW provider must provide notice to CHPW at least sixty (60) days in advance of any provider changes including, but not limited to:

- Tax identification
- NPI (National Provider Identifier) number (individual and/or group)
- Billing (vendor) address, office, phone, and fax numbers
- Clinic contact information (name, phone number, fax, and email)–i.e., Credentialing Coordinator, Billing Manager, Clinic Manager
- Provider additions (include provider effective date)
- Changes to provider locations within a group
- Provider terminations (include provider termination date)
- Clinic/facility location additions/changes (if applicable, include effective and termination dates for your clinics and/or facility)
• Telehealth services are available at your location(s). **Many providers have implemented telehealth services in response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE). It is important for CHPWs Provider Directory to accurately reflect the availability of these services.**

A 60-day advance notice provides CHPW time to update CHPW processing systems, give member notification, and prevent claim processing delays. Provider and Group changes should be reported to CHPW by completing the **Provider Add Change Term Form** and/or **Clinic and Group Add Change Term Form**. The form is available online at [https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/](https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/), under **Provider Updates**. In addition, a provider can email the completed form to **Provider.Changes@chpw.org** or click the “Submit Form” button of the online form. For new providers requiring credentialing, please send the request to **Provider.Credentialing@chpw.org**.

Provider groups who have a delegated credentialing agreement with CHPW, refer to the Delegated Credentialing Agreement. **Provider updates should be submitted by email to DelegatedCredentialing@chpw.org.**

**Provider Roster(s)**

CHPW appreciates the valued services that your clinic and/or facility provides to our members. In accordance with 42 C.F.R. §422.111, CHPW is committed to providing clear and accurate information to members regarding our provider network.

CHPW sends a Roster Request letter along with your standard Provider Roster, listing those providers CHPW currently has on file. The request letter includes a **Provider Roster FAQ** and description of the columns on the roster. This information is also available on the **Provider Bulletin Board** located at [https://www.chpw.org/bulletin-board/updated-provider-roster-faq/](https://www.chpw.org/bulletin-board/updated-provider-roster-faq/) or [https://medicare.chpw.org/bulletin-board/provider-roster-faq/](https://medicare.chpw.org/bulletin-board/provider-roster-faq/). The roster includes information such as: Tax IDs, NPIs, Licensure Information, Specialties, office locations, phone numbers, office hours, whether the provider is accepting new patients, etc. CHPW also verifies the provider’s demographic information such as: ADA access, any languages spoken by staff (other than English), and gender or age restrictions. Note: All practice locations where providers render services (under your Provider Agreement) should be identified on the roster.

Upon receipt of your roster, please review for accuracy, highlight or notate any changes and corrections, and return the roster to **provider.changes@chpw.org**. Please submit any provider additions, changes, or terminations immediately using the **Provider Add Change Term Form** or **Clinic and Group Change Term Form**.

CHPW appreciates your time in partnering with us to ensure the CHPW Provider Directory is accurate and up to date. If you have any questions, please contact the Provider Data Specialist by email at **provider.changes@chpw.org**.

**Practice Capacity**

PCPs must notify CHPW if their practice reaches capacity and they are no longer accepting new
patients. This notice must be in writing. It will be effective the first day of the month following forty-five (45) days from receipt of the notice. Providers may submit their notice to provider.changes@chpw.org.

**Provider Termination**

If you find it necessary to terminate your contract arrangement with CHPW, refer to your contract for notice requirements. Complying with the termination notification requirements ensures compliance with the Patient Bill of Rights and allows time for CHPW to notify our members. Providers may submit their termination notice to provider.changes@chpw.org.

**Ownership and Control Disclosure Form**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Washington State HCA require hospitals, clinics, and other health care organizations to provide a completed *Disclosure of Ownership and Control* (O&C) form to CHPW prior to contract execution. Providers are required to submit an updated O&C within thirty-five (35) days, if the following changes occur:

- New business owner(s)
- Tax ID change
- Management (CEO) change, and/or Board of Director changes
- Other pertinent changes


**Verify Member Eligibility and Benefits**

CHPW plan offerings have a set of rules, obligations, and contractual requirements that govern and determine eligibility of coverage, including member enrollment and termination processes/requirements. These rules are governed by the HCA (WAHIMC/BHSO), CMS (MA including MA D-SNP) and the Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC) (Individual and Family Cascade Select).

For WAHIMC/BHSO enrollment and eligibility information, refer to: [https://www.hca.wa.gov/free-or-low-cost-health-care/apple-health-medicaid-coverage](https://www.hca.wa.gov/free-or-low-cost-health-care/apple-health-medicaid-coverage). In addition, you must verify member eligibility through *ProviderOne prior to providing services*. Refer to [http://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers/providerone-resources](http://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers/providerone-resources).

For MA including the MA Dual Special Needs Plan (D-SNP) enrollment and eligibility requirements, refer to the Medicare.gov website at [https://www.medicare.gov/eligibilitypremiumcalc](https://www.medicare.gov/eligibilitypremiumcalc). In addition, you must contact CHPW’s Medicare Customer Service department to confirm individual eligibility and benefits. Refer to page 12X of this manual.

For Individual and Family Cascade Select membership and eligibility, please refer to the *HealthMAPS* portal at: [https://www.onehealthport.com/sso-payer/community-health-plan-washington](https://www.onehealthport.com/sso-payer/community-health-plan-washington). (Refer to the “*HealthMAPS Provider Portal*” section of this manual for more information.)

**Note:** Providers can verify eligibility and benefits by submitting a *Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry*
and Response (HIPAA 270/271 Batch and Real Time Transactions). Refer to the “Additional External Contacts” or “Member Eligibility and Benefits” section of this manual.

MA Providers in a Health Care Setting
CHPW understands that Medicare members rely on and trust their health care providers to provide them with complete information regarding their health care choices.

To the extent of their ability, providers may assist a member in an objective assessment of the member’s health care needs and potential plan options. Providers are permitted to make available and/or distribute marketing materials for all plans with which the provider participates and to display posters or other marketing materials announcing plan contractual relationships; however, the provider must remain neutral. Refer to https://www.cms.gov/files/document/medicare-communications-and-marketing-guidelines-3-16-2022.pdf.

The Medicare Communication Marketing Guidelines (MCMG) allow CHPW’s contracted providers to:

- Distribute unaltered, printed materials created by CMS, such as reports from Medicare Plan Finder, the “Medicare & You” handbook, or “Medicare Options Compare” (from https://www.medicare.gov) including in areas where care is delivered.
- Providing the names of plans with which they contract and/or participate.
- Answering questions or discussing the merits of a plan or plans, including cost sharing and benefit information (these discussions may occur in areas where care is delivered).
- Referring patients to other sources of information, such as State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) representatives, plan marketing representatives, State Medicaid Office, local Social Security Office, CMS’ website at https://www.medicare.gov, or 1-800-MEDICARE.
- Referring patients to plan marketing materials available in common areas; and
- Providing information and assistance in applying for the Low-Income Subsidy (LIS).
- Make available, distribute, and display communication materials, including in areas where care is being delivered; and
- Provide or make available plan marketing materials and enrollment forms outside of the areas where care is delivered (such as common entryways, vestibules, hospital or nursing home cafeterias, and community, recreational, or conference rooms).

The MCMG prohibits CHPW from allowing its contracted providers to:

- Accept or collect scope of appointment forms.
- Accept Medicare enrollment applications.
- Make phone calls or direct, urge, or attempt to persuade their patients to enroll in a specific plan based on financial or any other interests of the provider.
- Mail marketing materials on behalf of CHPW.
- Offer inducements to persuade their patients to enroll in a particular plan or organization.
- Conduct health screenings as a marketing activity.
- Distribute marketing materials/applications in areas where care is being delivered.
• Offer anything of value to induce enrollees to select them as their provider; or
• Accept compensation from CHPW for any marketing or enrollment activities.

**Beneficiary Inducement Law**

The Beneficiary Inducement Law is a federal health care program created in 1996 as part of the Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act (HIPAA). The law makes it illegal to offer money or services that are likely to influence a member to select a particular health care provider, practitioner, or supplier. Examples include:

- Offering gifts or payments to induce members to come in for a consultation or treatment.
- Waiving copayments and deductibles.

Health care providers who violate this law may be fined up to $10,000 for each item or service for which payment may be made, and $5,000 for each individual violation. Fines may be assessed for up to 3 times the amount claimed. Violators may also be excluded from participating in Medicare and Medicaid programs.

**Allowable Gratuities:** Items or services offered to members for free must be worth less than $15 and total less than $75 per year per beneficiary. Never give cash or gift cards to members.

**Provider Directory**

Use our *Find a Doctor* tool to search for providers and clinics by:

- Going to the CHPW IMC website, [https://www.chpw.org/](https://www.chpw.org/), the CHPW MA website, [https://medicare.chpw.org/](https://medicare.chpw.org/), or the Individual and Family Cascade Select website, [https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/](https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/). Click the *Find a Doctor* tab on the homepage to search for a provider.


- Accessing the directory from within the HealthMAPS online provider portal. Once you’re logged in, click the Find/Rate a Doctor link on your dashboard.

The directory is easy to use with many useful features:

- Quick search by location (zip code, city, or county), benefit plan, and provider type (doctor/medical professionals, facility, hospital, behavioral health, and durable medical equipment).
- Advanced filters accessible from the homepage.
- Additional filters allow quick and easy information about the provider.
- Ability to select more than one filter i.e., *Accepting New Patients, ADA Accessibility, Extended Hours.*

Refer to CHPW’s “*Online Provider Search Tool*” **Provider Bulletin** at: [https://www.chpw.org/bulletin-board/chpw-online-provider-search-tool/%20or%20https://medicare.chpw.org/bulletin-board/chpw-
The Provider Directory is subject to change and may not be a complete representation of CHPW’s network. If a specialist you utilize or refer to is not contracted with CHPW, please email our Provider Relations department at Provider.Relations@chpw.org or call Customer Service (refer to the “CHPW Contacts” section of the manual). For contract termination information, refer to your Provider Agreement, contract terms.

WAHIMC/BHSO, MA/MA D-SNP, CHPW Cascade Select - Service Area

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**CHPW Eligibility Department**

**Eligibility Documents**

Refer to the following resources for PCP assignment and Provider Roster Correction information:

- **Member Roster Correction**: Please navigate to [https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/](https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/) and click on “Enrollment” to see the list of optional forms.

**Clinic/PCP Assignment Procedure**

Although a member may request a specific provider assignment, all members are assigned at the Clinic level, not at the individual provider level. Clinic/PCP changes must be initiated by the member or at the request of the provider (with member confirmation). Members will be assigned to providers or clinics not accepting new patients *only* if the Provider has agreed to accept them as a patient. For information regarding PCP changes for MA, refer to the member’s EOC located at: [https://medicare.chpw.org/](https://medicare.chpw.org/).

A member can submit a PCP change (on their behalf) by logging into
https://mychpw.chpw.org/en/member. The PCP Selection Form can also be faxed to (206) 652-7085 or emailed to EligibilityDept@chpw.org.

Involuntary Disenrollment from WAHIMC/BHSO
A member may be involuntarily disenrolled when:

- Member loses eligibility

Involuntary Disenrollment from Cascade Select
A member may be involuntarily disenrolled from Cascade Select when:

- Member fails to pay their premium

Member Reassignment Policy – WAHIMC/BHSO
A member reassignment occurs when a member is reassigned “involuntarily” to another provider/clinic, or when disenrolled from CHPW, due to inappropriate behavior.

If CHPW attempts to resolve the behavior issue with reasonable accommodation (of any disability) unsuccessfully; and continued enrollment would impair CHPW’s ability to furnish services to the member.

Whenever possible, CHPW will provide the member an opportunity to change/improve the behavior. In the event it is determined not safe or prudent to offer medical care to the member at a plan network facility, CHPW may, request a member be disenrolled from the HCA.

This applies to members who:

- Exhibit behavior that is grossly inconsistent with clinic rules and standards.
- Refuse to follow a recommended diagnostic treatment plan.
- Are intentionally and continually noncompliant or abusive; or
- Consistently engage in drug-seeking behavior.

Each case will be reviewed independently according to the procedures below.

CHPW will not at any time request disenrollment of a member from the State of Washington solely due to an adverse change in the member’s health or due to the cost of meeting the member’s health care needs.

If any contracted provider is no longer able or willing to continue to provide care for a member, CHPW will arrange and secure alternative care until another permanent provider is assigned to the member, or until the state approves the disenrollment of the member. This care will be covered by CHPW under the member’s benefits as outlined in the applicable program contracts.

Members who are to be reassigned involuntarily to another CHPW provider will be notified in writing thirty (30) days in advance. This written notice will inform the member of their right to appeal this reassignment, except in cases when the member’s conduct presents a threat of immediate harm to others.
Members who appeal any decision for reassignment or disenrollment will receive necessary covered health care arranged by their current PCP, with the assistance of appropriate CHPW staff until a decision is rendered by CHPW or the applicable state agency.  

**NOTE:** Medicare has a similar process. However, disenrollment for disruptive behavior requires CMS approval.

### Disenrollment Procedure – WAHIMC/BHSO

To request a member reassignment/disenrollment from your facility, follow the instructions below:

First, follow your internal policies and procedure documenting the instances of non-compliance and/or disruptive behavior. Documentation may include other providers’ documented reports of disruptive behavior. A provider may request reassignment/disenrollment if the member’s behavior exhibits any of the following:

- Member exhibits repeated abusive behavior toward staff or visitors. The behavior may include yelling; the use of profanity; name-calling; any inappropriate or unwelcome touching; or threatening words/actions.
- Member refuses to follow the outlined diagnostic treatment plan or continually engages in drug-seeking behavior.
- Member repeatedly refuses to follow clinic or member handbook procedures by continually missing appointments, inappropriate use of the emergency room, or self-referring to specialists without PCP consultation.

To initiate a reassignment/disenrollment, follow these steps:

1. **When a PCP requests a member reassignment, a warning letter must be sent to the member.** The letter must document the disruptive behavior and outline an Action Plan the member must follow in order to remain with the clinic. Warning letters are copied to the clinic’s Managed Care Coordinator and the CHPW Provider Relations department. The member will be provided written copies of the procedures addressing patient behavior.

2. **If the behavior continues and fails to comply with the steps outlined in the Action Plan, clinic staff (with clinic Medical Director approval) must consult with the CHPW Provider Relations department to request reassignment/disenrollment from CHPW.**

3. **If reassignment is not an option due to member location or circumstance, the clinic staff involved will establish a plan for resolution and follow-up that includes member education.**

4. **If it is determined that the member should be reassigned, the Provider Relations department will notify the member in writing.** The letter provides a thirty (30) day notice, along with their right to appeal, and the right to a fair hearing (under Washington Administrative Code (WAC)). The letter outlines the member’s options for receiving future health care through CHPW. The Provider Relations department will coordinate with clinic staff and/or a CHPW Case Manager to arrange for ongoing care. At no time will a member be transferred to another clinic without prior agreement of that clinic. If the clinic provider/staff and CHPW Case Manager determine the member’s behavior is serious enough to warrant disenrollment, the following steps are followed:
CHPW Case Manager notifies member of the plan’s intent to request an involuntary disenrollment. The notice is in writing and provides the member their appeal rights.

CHPW Case Manager works with the Provider Relations department to gather all necessary documentation from the PCP.

All information provided by the PCP is forwarded to the CHPW Medical Director.

If the CHPW Medical Director determines the involuntary disenrollment request meets WAC requirements, they will submit the documentation along with a letter requesting disenrollment to the HCA’s Exception Case Management (ECM) Section.

HCA ECM decides within thirty (30) days of receiving the request. If approved, HCA ECM will notify CHPW and the member with at least ten (10) days’ notice of termination.

The member will remain enrolled with CHPW until notification is received from the HCA ECM.

Clinic staff must:

- Document member misbehavior
- Create a written corrective action plan to improve the behavior, if applicable
- Provide member with a written notice of the action the clinic will take
- Provide member with written policies and procedures for Member Responsibilities
- Report criminal behavior to law enforcement

CHPW staff are responsible for reviewing documentation and consulting with clinic staff to identify alternatives for providing health care services to the member. The CHPW Case Manager serves as a liaison to the HCA in requesting disenrollment with the HCA.

Involuntary Disenrollment – MA Plan

Involuntarily disenrollment for a MA member may occur if:

- Change in residence outside CHPW’s service area or temporary absence from the service area for more than six (6) consecutive months.
- Loss of entitlement to Washington State Medicaid (MA D-SNP plan).
- Loss of entitlement to Medicare Part A or loss of enrollment in Part B.
- Death.
- Disruptive behavior (CMS approval required).
- Incarceration.
- Failure to pay premium.
- Failure to Pay a Part D-Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (Part D-IRMAA).
- Enrollee Fraud.
- Contract termination.
- Member provides false information or withholds information about other insurance (medical and prescription drug coverage)

The CHPW Eligibility Coordinator (EC) will document receipt of all disenrollment requests.

When a member or legal representative contacts CHPW with an address change outside the service...
area, the EC will determine the effective date of disenrollment and send the member a *Disenrollment Due to Permanent Move* notice.

When CHPW receives a member address change from a source other than the member or member's authorized representative, the disenrollment will not occur without confirmation from the member or authorized representative that the out-of-area move is permanent, or six (6) months have passed. The EC will contact the member to verify the address change. If the EC is unable to reach the member by phone, the EC will mail the member a *Verification of Change in Address* notice. If the EC does not receive a response to the notice by the sixth (6th) month, the EC will mail the *Upcoming Disenrollment Due to Out of Area Over 6 Month* notice. The EC will determine the disenrollment effective date and send a Disenrollment Transaction to CMS. When the reply is received from CMS, a *Final Confirmation of Disenrollment Due to Out of Area for 6 Month* notice is sent to the member.

**Loss of Entitlement to Washington State Medicaid**

If the member is in a MA D-SNP plan and no longer eligible with Medicaid, the EC will send the member a *Disenrollment from the Special Needs Plan Due to Loss of Medicaid* notice. The member may be eligible for a Special Election Period (SEP) for two (2) months following disenrollment from the D-SNP to apply for another MA plan.

**Loss of Entitlement to Medicare Part A or Loss of Enrollment in Medicare Part B**

When the EC receives a *CMS Reply Listing* indicating loss of Medicare Part A or Part B benefits, the EC will send the *Disenrollment Due to Loss of Part A or Part B Coverage* notice to the member.

**Member is Deceased**

When the EC receives the *CMS Reply Listing* that indicates a member is deceased, the EC will send a *Disenrollment Due to Death* notice to the estate of the member. If a member contacts CHPW regarding an erroneous disenrollment, the EC will follow the *Enrollment Reinstatement procedure*. Cascade Select members’ disenrollment is automatic if notification is received from the Washington Health Benefit Exchange (WAHBE). If the member’s family contacts CHPW with notice of death, the family member is directed to WAHBE.

**Disruptive Behavior – MA Process**

If CHPW determines that a member exhibits disruptive behavior that substantially impairs CHPW’s ability to arrange for or provide care, the EC will investigate the issue.

The EC’s Manager determines if the member’s behavior may be related to the use of medical services or diminished mental capacity. If not, the Manager attempts to resolve the issue with the member (while documenting all information). **Note:** If CHPW elects to disenroll, the EC Manager will contact CHPW’s Compliance Officer to request approval from CHPW’s CMS Account Manager.

If the CMS Account Manager advises CHPW to proceed with disenrolling, the EC will send the member
a Warning of Potential Disenrollment Due to Disruptive Behavior notice and continue to work to resolve the issue.

If the disruptive behavior continues, the EC will send the Intent to Disenroll notice. The EC will send the disenrollment request to CMS. Note: CMS will either approve or deny the request within twenty (20) business days.
If CMS denies the request, CHPW will notify the member and member will remain enrolled.

If the disenrollment request is approved, the EC will send the Disenrollment for Disruptive Behavior notice.

Failure to pay Part D Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (Part D-IRMAA)
Members with Part D-IRMAA must pay an additional premium directly to the government. CMS has established a 3-month initial grace period before disenrolling the member.

Member ID Cards
Below are samples of Member ID cards. Members who have lost or need a replacement ID card may contact (800) 440-1561 for WAHIMC or (800) 942-0247 for Medicare Advantage/D-SNP.

WAHIMC ID Cards
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**Customer Service** 1-800-440-1561 TTY Relay: 711,

**LIFE-THREATENING EMERGENCY** Call 911 or go to the nearest emergency care facility. Contact your PCP or call CHPW customer service at 1-800-440-1561 within 24 hours.

**NURSE ADVICE LINE (NAL)** 1-866-418-2920 or TTY Relay: 711.

**URGENT CARE** Call your clinic (PCP). After hours, call the NAL CRISIS LINE 1-866-437-4747.

**PHARMACY COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS** 1-800-753-2851

**VISION SERVICE PLAN (VSP):** 1-800-877-7195 (adults 21+)

**Provider** mychnw.org/en/provider

**HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS** Hospitals must notify customer service within one business day of hospital admissions.

**SUBMIT CLAIMS** Community Health Plan of Washington Claims, PO Box 269002 Plano, TX 75026-9002.

**SUBMIT RX CLAIMS** Express Scripts ATTN: Commercial Claims, PO Box 14711, Lexington, KY 40512-4711.

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**URGENT CARE** Call your clinic (PCP). After hours, call the NAL CRISIS LINE 1-866-437-4747.

**PHARMACY COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS** 1-800-753-2851

**VISION SERVICE PLAN (VSP):** 1-800-877-7195 (adults 21+)

**Provider** mychnw.org/en/provider

**HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS** Hospitals must notify customer service within one business day of hospital admissions.

**SUBMIT CLAIMS** Community Health Plan of Washington Claims, PO Box 269002 Plano, TX 75026-9002.

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BHSO ID Cards (No Medical Services)
By Region:

Southwest

Greater Columbia

King County

North Central
North Sound

Name: John Sample
Member ID: 12345678 01
Plan: Behavioral Health Services Only
Region: North Sound
Copay: OV $0
State ID: 200000000WA

Coverage limited to higher acuity Behavioral Health Services Only with CHPW

Member: chpw.org

Life-Threatening Emergency: Call 911 or go to the nearest emergency care facility. Contact your PCP or call CHPW customer service at 1-800-440-1561 within 24 hours.
Urgent Care: Call your clinic (PCP). After hours, call the NAL.
Crisis Line: 1-800-584-3578

Provider: mychpw.chpw.org/en/provider

Hospital Admissions: Hospitals must notify customer service within one business day of hospital admissions.
Submit Claims: Community Health Plan of Washington Claims, PO Box 269002 Plano, Texas 75026-9002.

Pierce

Name: John Sample
Member ID: 12345678 01
Plan: Behavioral Health Services Only
Region: Pierce
Copay: OV $0
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Member: chpw.org

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Urgent Care: Call your clinic (PCP). After hours, call the NAL.
Crisis Line: 1-800-576-7764

Provider: mychpw.chpw.org/en/provider

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**NURSE ADVICE LINE (NAL)** 1-866-418-2920 or TTY Relay: 711.

**URGENT CARE** Call your provider (PCP). After hours, call the NAL CRISIS LINE: 1-877-266-1818

**Provider** mychpw.chpw.org/en/provider

**HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS** Hospitals must notify customer service within one business day of hospital admissions.

**SUBMIT CLAIMS** Community Health Plan of Washington Claims, PO Box 269902 Plano, TX 75026-9002.

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**Great Rivers**
MA/D-SNP ID Cards

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Medicare – Plan 3

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Medicare – Plan 4

Medicare – Dual Plan

Medicare – Freedom Plan

CUSTOMER SERVICE 1-800-942-0247 (TTY Relay: 711).
Member | medicare.chpw.org

LIFE-THREATENING EMERGENCY Call 911 or go to the nearest emergency care facility. Contact your PCP or call CHPW customer service at 1-800-942-0247 within 24 hours.
NURSE ADVICE LINE (NAL) 1-866-418-2930 (TTY Relay: 711).
VISION SERVICE PLAN (VSP) 1-855-492-9028
PHARMACY COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS 1-844-605-8168
Provider | mychpw.chpw.org/en/provider

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS Hospitals must notify customer service within one business day of hospital admissions.
SUBMIT MEDICAL & DENTAL CLAIMS CHPW Claims, PO Box 269002 Plano, TX 75026-9002
SUBMIT RX CLAIMS Express Scripts ATTN: Medicare Part D, PO Box 14718, Lexington, KY 40512-4718.

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Medicare – Supplemental ID Card

This card is available to members with certain chronic diagnoses including diabetes, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, and congestive heart failure. These members should not be charged copays or coinsurance when presenting with this supplemental ID card.

Individual and Family Cascade Select ID cards

Cascade Select – Gold

Cascade Select – Silver

Customer Service

1-800-942-0247 (TTY Relay: 711)

Life-Threatening Emergency

Call 911 or go to the nearest emergency care facility. Contact your PCP or call CHPW customer service at 1-800-942-0247 within 24 hours.

Nurse Advice Line (NAL)

1-866-418-2920 (TTY Relay: 711)

Pharmacy Coverage Determinations

1-800-753-2851

Vision Service Plan (VSP)

1-855-492-9023

Hospital Admissions

Hospitals must notify customer service within one business day of hospital admissions.

Submit Medical & Dental Claims

CHPW Claims, PO Box 269002 Plano, Texas 75026-9002

Pharmacy Help Desk

Pharmacist Use Only: 1-800-922-1557.
Cascade Select – Bronze

Member Benefits

Benefit Information
For a summary of benefits and cost shares, refer to the Benefit Grids for the different plans:

- WAHIMC and BHSO (Medicaid), [https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/](https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/)
- Medicare Advantage and Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan, [https://medicare.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/](https://medicare.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/)
- Individual and Family Cascade Select, [https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/](https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/)

For more information, please call the applicable Customer Service team. Refer to the “CHPW Contacts” section of the manual.

Member Materials
Member materials are available on CHPW website(s). These materials include the Member Handbook(s), Evidence of Coverage booklet(s), Provider Manual, Provider Directories, and Formularies.

State Enrollment Materials and Publications
Please refer to the HCA website for enrollment materials, publications, order forms, and directions at http://www.hca_wa.gov/medicaid/Pages/index.aspx.

**ChildrenFirst™**  
CHPW rewards members who have regularly scheduled checkups and preventive care through their scheduled well-child, prenatal, and postpartum visits. ChildrenFirst™ is our reward program for children and pregnant members who receive scheduled care.

The **Prenatal Program**: Members can receive a $60 gift card for visiting their doctor during the first trimester, and a $40 gift card for a second prenatal visit.

The **Postpartum Program**: Members can receive a $50 gift card for a checkup between seven (7) to eighty-four (84) days/one (1) and twelve (12) weeks, after birth.

The **Well-Child Program**: Parents are eligible to receive a $20 gift card for every well-child checkup from age two (2) weeks to eighteen (18) years.


For information about the status of a ChildrenFirst or reward submission, patients and providers can contact CHPW’s Customer Service team toll free at 1-800-440-1561 (TTY: 711).

**CHPW’s Compliance Program**  
CHPW maintains a comprehensive, mandatory compliance program tailored to promote an organizational culture of ethical behavior. The compliance program is dedicated to the prevention, detection, and correction of conduct that does not conform to federal and state law, contract requirements, or sound and ethical business practices.

The Compliance Program strives to articulate and practically apply standards, processes, and programs that support and drive CHPW’s commitment to integrity and adherence to the spirit and intent of the law.

The Program is aligned to the Seven Elements of an Effective Compliance Program as expressed in Chapter 8 of the US Federal Sentencing Guidelines, section 1902(a)(68) of the Social Security Act, 42 CFR 422.503(b)(4)(vi)(A), 423.504(b)(4)(vi)(A), and 438.608(a), the Compliance Program creates a framework for compliance through:

1. Written Policies, Procedures, and Standards of Conduct  
2. Compliance Officer, Compliance Committee, and High-Level Oversight
3. Effective Compliance Education and Training
4. Effective Lines of Communication
5. Well Publicized Disciplinary Standards
6. Effective System for Routine Monitoring, Auditing, and Identification of Compliance Risks
7. Procedures and System for Prompt Response to Compliance Issues

CHPW’s Standards of Conduct
CHPW’s Standards of Conduct apply to CHPW workforce members and contractors (FDRs). The Standards of Conduct state the overarching principles and values by which CHPW operates and define the underlying framework for Compliance policies and procedures. Providers are encouraged to adopt their own standards of conduct to demonstrate a commitment to operate in an ethical manner; emphasize that issues of noncompliance and potential fraud, waste, and abuse are reported through appropriate channels; and to commit to detecting, preventing, and correcting issues of noncompliance.

1.0 RESPONSIBILITY
Community Health Plan of Washington serves a critical role in the community – delivering accessible managed health care to those enrolled in government-sponsored health insurance programs. We work hard to maintain the public’s trust and to keep the privilege of serving our members. In order to keep this privilege, we act responsibly and are accountable for our actions.

1.1 Stewardship of Tax-Payer Dollars. We responsibly use financial resources and other company assets to achieve long-term company goals and increase our members’ equitable access to high-quality health care services. We make every effort to utilize our resources efficiently.

1.2 Legal and Procedural Compliance. Complying with the law is a fundamental element of our daily operations. Each of us actively evaluates our understanding of and compliance with the company policies and legal obligations that apply to our work. If in doubt, we seek guidance from our manager or Compliance Officer.

1.3 Take Action. Ensuring compliance with these standards of professional conduct is everyone’s job. If any of us become aware of a potentially unethical or illegal situation, we report the situation to our manager, HR department, Compliance Officer, or the anonymous Hotline.

2.0 CONFIDENTIALITY
Proper management of confidential information and the protection of privacy as it relates to: our members, workforce members, and business interests are critical to Community Health Plan of Washington’s success.

2.1 Preserve the Confidentiality of Business Information. Whether verbal or written, we protect any and all proprietary information, including but not limited to: pricing, marketing, and sales strategies; product design, materials and information; payor contract terms and rates; and financial statements, budgets, and financial analyses.

2.2 Protect Member Privacy. We value our members, their rights to privacy, and the trust they have in us. We are dedicated to complying with all laws, regulations, and internal policies to protect the privacy of member information from unlawful Use and Disclosure.

2.3 Workforce Members Confidentiality. We are committed to promoting an environment that retains the full trust and confidence of all workforce members. To the extent possible, the confidentiality of
sensitive information communicated by a workforce member to their manager, the Hotline, the Compliance Officer, or the HR department is vigilantly protected.

3.0 DIGNITY, RESPECT, AND INCLUSION
We conduct ourselves in a dignified and respectful manner in every human interaction, relationship, and business transaction. We strive to treat every individual with respect recognizing their unique dignity and contribution.

3.1 Foster a Safe, Equitable, and Supportive Workplace. Our conditions of employment and management practices earn and promote exceptional performance by our workforce members. Individual contributions are respected, acknowledged, and fairly rewarded. We strive to provide an equitable environment where people can be their best authentic self.

3.2 Our Working Environment Behavior. CHPW is committed to maintaining a working environment that is free from unlawful harassment and actual or threatened violence. Our working environment should promote respect and appreciation for our differences and acknowledge the value of diversity to our organization. We do not tolerate any type of unlawful harassment of our staff members and expect our staff and board members to treat one another with the utmost respect and support. CHPW will not tolerate unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), age, sexual orientation, national origin, marital status, parental status, ancestry, disability, gender expression or identity, honorably discharged veteran or military status, genetic information, other distinguishing characteristics of diversity and inclusion, or any other protected status under applicable laws. Furthermore, CHPW will not tolerate violence or threats of violence, bullying, or unlawful harassment in any form in our working environment, at work-related functions, or outside of work when representing CHPW. CHPW expects everyone covered by these Standards of Conduct to comply with CHPW’s anti-harassment and anti-discrimination policy.

3.3. Avoid and Disclose Conflicts of Interest. We make decisions based on what is best for Community Health Plan of Washington. When we are in a position to influence a decision or circumstance that may result in personal gain at the expense of Community Health Plan of Washington, we avoid and disclose those situations to our Compliance Officer or the HR department.

3.4 Engage in Mutually Beneficial Business Relationships. Our business associates are our partners in serving the interests of our members. We treat them with fairness, respect, and integrity and expect the same in return.

4.0 MEMBER-CENTERED
Members are our most important stakeholders. We are committed to providing services that are equitable, accessible, coordinated, and responsive to the needs of our members.

4.1 Respectful. We treat our members with courtesy, politeness, and kindness at all times.

4.2 Responsive. We respond to all member concerns in a timely and accurate manner. We provide them with the information and support they need to effectively use their health insurance.

4.3 Empathy. We put ourselves in our members’ shoes. The member experience is a key driver of how we organize and conduct our business.

4.4 Health Equity. We recognize the social and systemic barriers to our members’ health and wellbeing. We work to advance health equity and reduce disparities in health that result from
these barriers.

4.5 **Community Focus.** We address the whole-person needs of our members through a community-focused approach and collaboration with community partners.

**Reporting Concerns**
CHPW provides multiple mechanisms for reporting suspected ethical, criminal, or illegal activities, privacy, or security risks, and suspected FWA. All suspected or known criminal or ethical violations must be reported. Depending on the nature and severity of the issue, failure to report may result in contract termination. Provider staff may report by:

Completing the *Report Potential Fraud/ID Theft form* at:  
**Mail:** Community Health Plan of Washington  
Attention: Compliance Officer  
1111 Third Avenue, Suite 400  
Seattle, WA 98101  
**Phone:** (206) 613-5091, Fax: (206) 652-7017  
**Email:** compliance.officer@chpw.org

Providers may report anonymously by:  
**Phone:** CHPW’s Customer Service Department:  
- (800) 440-1561 (WAHIMC)  
- (800) 942-0247 (MA)  
**Email** Compliance Officer from proxy email at compliance.officer@chpw.org  
**Fax** form to Compliance Officer at (206) 652-7017.  
**OIG Hotline:**  
**Phone:** 1-800-HHS-TIPS (1-800-447-8477) or TTY 1-800-377-4950  
**Fax:** 1-800-223-8164  
**Online:** https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/report-fraud/  
**Mail:** U.S. Department of Health & Human Services  
Office of Inspector General  
ATTN: OIG Hotline Operations  
P.O. Box 23489  
Washington, DC 20026

Washington Apple Health Eligibility Fraud:  
**Phone:** 1-360-725-0934  
**Fax:** 360-725-1158  
**Online:** https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/medicaid-fraud-prevention/  
**Mail:** Health Care Authority  
Attention: OMEP  
P.O. Box 45534  
Olympia, WA 98504-5534  
**Email:** WAHEligibilityFraud@hca.wa.gov

Report Medicaid providers:
Compliance Education and Training Program

CHPW is required by contract with CMS and the HCA to provide its contracted provider network with Compliance Program and Fraud, Waste, and Abuse training that satisfy the requirements under 42 CFR §438.608 (a) and (b), §422.503(vi)(C) and §423.504(b)(vi)(C).

- CHPW contracted providers are required to maintain evidence of Compliance training and must make available evidence of training for up to ten (10) years. You must be able to provide evidence of training upon request from CHPW and/or the HCA or CMS.
- Training and education must occur within 90 days of hire or contract, and annually thereafter.
- All staff, including senior leadership, managers, clerical/admin staff, billing, physicians, and other clinical staff are required to receive training.

Providers can develop their own Compliance Program training materials as long as the training meets the requirements under 42 CFR §438.608 (a) and (b), §422.503(b)(vi)(C), and §423.504(b)(vi)(C). Refer to https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-training-and-resources/hca-and-cms-training/. CHPW’s Provider Relations team offers Provider Workshops and New Provider Orientations.

CHPW is committed to maintaining a comprehensive HIPAA Privacy & Security Program in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), including the Administrative Simplification provisions. As required by Health and Human Services (HHS), CHPW and its contracted providers must comply with the national standards for electronic health care transactions and code sets, unique health identifiers, and security, as well as complying with the Federal privacy protections for individually identifiable health information.

**Note:** HHS published the final Privacy Rule setting the national standards for the protection of individually identifiable health information for three (3) types of covered entities: health plans, health care clearinghouses, and health care providers who conduct the standard health care transactions electronically. HHS also published the final Security Rule setting the national standards for protecting the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of electronic protected health information (PHI).

As a CHPW provider, you must implement appropriate administrative, technical, and physical measures to protect and secure the Information Systems and Nonpublic Information that are accessible to, or held by, your facility.

**Administrative Safeguards**

Administrative safeguards are administrative actions, policies, and procedures (P&Ps) in place to manage the selection, development, implementation, and maintenance of security measures to protect PHI and to manage the conduct of your staff to protect information.

**Technical Safeguards**
As a provider you can determine which security measures and technologies are reasonable and appropriate for your facility. Conducting a Risk Assessment and a Risk Management process in place assists in making informed decisions related to which security measures should be implemented.

**Physical Safeguards**
Physical safeguards are physical measures, policies, and procedures to protect electronic information systems, related facilities, remote workers (if applicable), or other physical environment and equipment from natural and environmental hazards and unauthorized access.

**Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Program**

CHPW’s Compliance department maintains a FWA program to prevent, detect, and correct FWA to ensure compliance with applicable laws, including those provisions outlined in 42 CFR §§ 422.503, 423.504, and 438.608, the Federal False Claims Act (31 USC §§3279-3733), §6032 of the Federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (42 USC§1396(a)(68)), and the Washington State Health Care False Claims Act (RCW 48.80).


**“What is Fraud, Waste, and Abuse?”**

**Fraud**: Intentional deception or misrepresentation made by an individual who knows that the false information reported could result in an unauthorized benefit to him/herself or another person. Fraud is determined by intent and action. Examples include:
- Misrepresent the diagnosis for higher payment.
- Falsify certificate of medical necessity, plan of care, or other records.
- Knowingly submitting a duplicate claim for reimbursement.
- Solicit, offer, or receive a kickback.
- Unbundle services for increase reimbursement.

**Waste**: Overutilization of services or improper billing practices that result in unnecessary costs. Waste is generally caused by the misuse of resources. Examples include:
- An organization’s culture fails to identify waste vulnerabilities and protect company resources.
- Submitting inaccurate claims that cause unnecessary rebilling or claims reprocessing.
- Inaccurate claims payment causing unnecessary member appeals or provider disputes.
- Employees attending conferences that are unrelated to their work or unnecessary to perform their job function.
- Overuse or underuse, and ineffective use of health care services.

**Abuse**: Gross negligence or reckless disregard for the truth in a manner that could result in an
unauthorized benefit and unnecessary costs either directly or indirectly. Examples include:

- Providing excessive or unnecessary services.
- Routinely waiving coinsurance and deductibles.
- Billing Medicaid and Medicare patients at a higher rate than non-Medicaid/Medicare patients.

“Where Does Fraud, Waste, and Abuse occur?”

FWA can occur by a:

- Patient
- Claims Processing Contractor
- Pharmacy/Pharmacist
- Home Health Agency
- PCP
- Hospital
- Contractor/Subcontractor
- Dentist
- Specialist
- Billing Agency
- Ancillary Provider
- Coworker
- Supplier

Examples of Potentially Fraudulent, Wasteful, and Abusive Billing

- Waiver of copay/coinsurance – This is prohibited.
- Providing medically unnecessary services or treatment.
- Duplicate claims billing.
- Billing for services not rendered.
- Offering inducements to patients.
- Unbundling - Billing each component of a service when a comprehensive code is available.
- Patient brokering – Using “brokers” who offer money to beneficiaries for use of their ID cards.
- Balance Billing.
- Phantom billing – Billing by a “phantom” or nonexistent health care provider for services not rendered.
- Upcoding – Billing at a higher level of service than provided.
- Misrepresentation – Misrepresenting the diagnoses and/or services provided to obtain higher reimbursement or payment for noncovered services.

Office Inspector General (OIG), General Service Agency/System for Awards
Management (GSA/SAM) Exclusion & Sanction List(s)

- Providers must screen employees and health care-related subcontractors prior to hire or contract and monthly thereafter. Screening is conducted to ensure that employees, independent contractors, individuals, and entities that assist in the administration or delivery of services are not excluded from participation in a federally funded health program. The exclusions list is located here: Department of Health and Human Services – Office of the Inspector General (OIG) List of Excluded Individuals and Entities (LEIE) at oig.hhs.gov
- General Services Administration (GSA) System for Award Management at sam.gov

Notify CHPW immediately if you identify an individual or entity on the exclusion lists. Maintain evidence of exclusion screening for ten (10) years. CHPW, CMS, or the HCA may request documentation of the exclusion checks to verify they were completed.

Preclusion List MA ONLY

The CMS Preclusion List applies to claims with dates of service on or after April 1, 2019. The Preclusion List applies to both MA Part C and Part D plans. The Preclusion List is a list of prescribers, individuals, or entities identified by CMS who:
- Have been revoked from Medicare under an active reenrollment bar, and CMS has determined that the underlying conduct that led to the revocation is detrimental to the best interests of the Medicare program.
- Have engaged in behavior for which CMS could have revoked the prescriber, individual, or entity to the extent possible if they had been enrolled in Medicare, and that the underlying conduct that would have led to the revocation is detrimental to the best interests of the Medicare program.
- Have been convicted of a felony under federal or state law within the previous ten (10) years and that CMS deems detrimental to the best interests of the Medicare program.

Health care providers receive a letter from CMS notifying them of their placement on the Preclusion List. They can appeal with CMS before the preclusion effective date. There is no opportunity to appeal at CHPW. The Preclusion List is updated monthly notifying plans of the claim-rejection date, date upon which a plan will reject or deny a provider’s claim due to precluded status. Once the claim-rejection date is effective, the provider’s claims will no longer be paid, pharmacy claims will be rejected, and the health care provider will be terminated from the CHPW’s contracted network. The precluded provider must hold the member/patient harmless (no balance billing) from financial liability for services provided on or after the claim-rejection date.

As contracted health care provider of CHPW, you must ensure that payment for health care services or items are not made to individuals or entities on the Preclusion List, including employed or contracted individuals or entities.

For more information on the Preclusion List, visit cms.gov

Medicare Opt-Out
If you opt out of Medicare, you **may not** accept federal reimbursement. Providers who opt out of Medicare (non-participating in Medicare) are not allowed to bill Original Medicare or a Medicare Advantage plan during their opt-out period of two (2) years from the date of opt-out.

CHPW cannot contract with, or pay claims to, providers who have opted out of Medicare. **Exception:** Emergent or urgent care only. You cannot charge the member more than the non-participating provider allowed charge.

### Conflicts of Interest

A conflict of interest can arise when a person or a member of a person’s family has an existing or potential interest or relationship which impairs or might appear to impair the person’s independent judgment. Family members include spouses, parents, siblings, children, and others living in the same household.

Providers should require managers, officers, and directors involved in work that relates to CHPW members to report potential conflicts. In addition, a *Conflict-of-Interest Statement* should be obtained at the time of hiring, and annually thereafter.

### Understanding Relevant Laws

**Federal Civil False Claims Act (FCA)**

The civil FCA ([31 United States Code (U.S.C.) Sections 3729–3733](https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/31/3729)), protects the Federal Government from being overcharged or sold substandard goods or services. The civil FCA imposes civil liability on any person who knowingly submits, or causes the submission of, a false or fraudulent claim to the Federal Government.

The terms “knowing” and “knowingly” mean a person has actual knowledge of the information or acts in deliberate ignorance or reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the information related to the claim. No specific intent to defraud is required to violate the civil FCA.

**Examples:** A physician knowingly submits claims to Medicare for medical services not provided or for a higher level of medical services than provided.

**Penalties:** Civil penalties for violating the civil FCA may include recovery of up to **three** times the amount of damages sustained by the Government a result of the false claims, plus financial penalties per false claim filed.

Additionally, under the criminal FCA ([18 U.S.C. Section 287](https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/18/287)), individuals or entities may face criminal penalties for submitting false, fictitious, or fraudulent claims, including fines, imprisonment, or both.

The False Claims Act allows people who are not affiliated with the government to file actions
claiming fraud against a government contractor on the government’s behalf for:

- Presenting to the government a false claim for payment
- Causing someone else to submit a false claim for payment
- Making or using a false record or statement to get a claim paid by the government
- Conspiring to get a false claim paid by the government
- Making or using a false record to avoid or decrease an obligation to pay or reimburse the government

The False Claims Act provides protections for “whistleblowers.” A whistleblower is a person who raises a concern about wrongdoing occurring in an organization or body of people, usually from that same organization. Whistleblower protections:

- Allow individuals to report fraud anonymously, sue an entity on behalf of the government, and collect a portion of any resulting settlement.
- Prohibit employers from threatening, intimidating, or retaliating against employees, who in good faith report misconduct or wrongdoing.

Violations of the False Claims Act result in social and business consequences, causing irreparable damage to one’s reputation, and loss of business. In addition, violations may result in civil and monetary penalties, including:

- Civil penalties, as adjusted by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990 (28 U.S.C. 2461 note: Public Law 104–410)
- Exclusion from participation in Medicare and Medicaid
- Plus, treble damages suffered by the government
- Possible criminal prosecution and imprisonment
- Trial costs


**Anti-Kickback Statute (AKS)**

The AKS (42 U.S.C. Section 1320a-7b(b)) makes it a crime to knowingly and willfully offer, pay, solicit, or receive any remuneration directly or indirectly to induce or reward patient referrals or the generation of business involving any item or service reimbursable by a Federal health care program. When a provider offers, pays, solicits, or receives unlawful remuneration, the provider violates the AKS.

**NOTE:** Remuneration includes anything of value, such as cash, free rent, expensive hotel stays and meals, and excessive compensation for medical directorships or consultancies.

**Example:** A provider receives cash or below-fair-market-value rent for medical office space in exchange for referrals.

**Penalties:** Criminal penalties and administrative sanctions for violating the AKS may include fines,
imprisonment, and exclusion from participation in the Federal health care program. Under the CMPL, penalties for violating the AKS may include three times the amount of the kickback.

The “safe harbor” regulations (42 CFR Section 1001.952), describe various payment and business practices that, although they potentially implicate the AKS, are not treated as offenses under the AKS if they meet certain requirements specified in the regulations. Individuals and entities remain responsible for complying with all other laws, regulations, and guidance that apply to their businesses.


**Physician Self-Referral (Stark Law)**
The Physician Self-Referral Law (42 U.S.C. Section 1395nn), often referred to as the Stark Law, prohibits a physician from referring patients to receive “designated health services” payable by Medicare or Medicaid to an entity with which the physician or a member of the physician’s immediate family has a financial relationship, unless an exception applies.

**Example:** A physician refers a beneficiary for a designated health service to a clinic where the physician has an investment interest.

**Penalties:** Penalties for physicians who violate the Stark Law may include fines, CMPs for each service, repayment of claims, and potential exclusion from participation in the Federal health care programs.

For more information, refer to https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/USCODE-2010-title42-USCODE-2010-title42-chap7-subchapXVIII-partE-sec1395nn.

**Criminal Health Care Fraud Statute**
The Criminal Health Care Fraud Statute (18 U.S.C. Section 1347) prohibits knowingly and willfully executing, or attempting to execute, a scheme or lie in connection with the delivery of, or payment for, health care benefits, items, or services to either:

- Defraud any health care benefit program
- Obtain (by means of false or fraudulent pretenses, representations, or promises) any of the money or property owned by, or under the control of, any health care benefit program

**Example:** Several doctors and medical clinics conspire in a coordinated scheme to defraud the Medicare Program by submitting medically unnecessary claims for power wheelchairs.

**Penalties:** Penalties for violating the Criminal Health Care Fraud Statute may include fines, imprisonment, or both.

**Exclusion Statute**
The Exclusion Statute (42 U.S.C. Section 1320a-7), requires the OIG to exclude individuals and entities convicted of any of the following offenses from participation in all Federal health care programs:

- Medicare or Medicaid fraud, as well as any other offenses related to the delivery of items or services under Medicare or Medicaid.
- Patient abuse or neglect.
- Felony convictions for other health care-related fraud, theft, or other financial misconduct.
- Felony convictions for unlawful manufacture, distribution, prescription, or dispensing controlled substances.

The OIG may impose permissive exclusions on other grounds, including:

- Misdemeanor convictions related to health care fraud other than Medicare or Medicaid fraud, or misdemeanor convictions for unlawfully manufacturing, distributing, prescribing, or dispensing controlled substances.
- Suspension, revocation, or surrender of a license to provide health care for reasons bearing on professional competence, professional performance, or financial integrity.
- Providing unnecessary or substandard services.
- Submitting false or fraudulent claims to a Federal health care program.
- Engaging in unlawful kickback arrangements.
- Defaulting on health education loan or scholarship obligations.

Excluded providers may not participate in the Federal health care programs for a designated period. If you are excluded by OIG, then Federal health care programs, including Medicare and Medicaid, will not pay for items or services that you furnish, order, or prescribe. Excluded providers may not bill directly for treating Medicare and Medicaid patients, and an employer or a group practice may not bill for an excluded provider’s services. At the end of an exclusion period, an excluded provider must seek reinstatement; reinstatement is not automatic.

CHPW’s contracted providers must screen individual and entities it hires or contracts with against the List of Excluded Individuals and Entities (LEIE) maintained by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) at http://oig.hhs.gov/exclusions/ and the System for Award Management (SAM) maintained by the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) at https://www.sam.gov/.

**Civil Monetary Penalty Law (CMPL)**

The CMP (42 U.S.C. Section 1320a-7a) authorizes OIG to seek CMPs and sometimes exclusion for a variety of health care fraud violations. Different amounts of penalties and assessments apply based on the type of violation. CMPs also may include an assessment of up to three times the amount claimed for each item or service, or up to three times the amount of remuneration offered, paid, solicited, or received. Violations that may justify CMPs include:

- Presenting a claim you know, or should know, is for an item or service not provided as claimed or that is false and fraudulent
• Violating the AKS
• Making false statements or misrepresentations on applications or contracts to participate in the Federal health care programs

HIPAA Member Rights

Under the HIPAA Privacy Rule, members have the right to:

• Access and inspect their own PHI
• Request changes/corrections to their own PHI
• Request restrictions on use and disclosure of their own PHI
• Obtain an accounting of certain PHI disclosures shared with others
• Request alternate ways to receive communications about their own PHI
• Receive a Notice of Privacy Practices

Right of Access

CHPW members have the right of access to inspect and obtain a copy of their own PHI in the form of a designated record set. A designated record set includes information used to make decisions about a member’s care, such as: records about enrollment, claims, case management, medical management, or pharmacy information.

A member must request access to their PHI in writing or by using the “Request to Access Protected Health Information (PHI)” form located at:

WAHIMC: http://chpw.org/for-members/your-privacy-and-rights/
MA: https://medicare.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/
CS: https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/

Your Rights Regarding Personal Information

You have the following rights regarding personal information:

Restriction Request: The right to request a restriction or limitation on the personal information used or disclosed for treatment; payment; and health care operations, activities, or disclosures to individuals involved in your care.

Confidential Communications: If you believe that disclosure of all or part of your personal information may endanger you, you have the right to request that we communicate with you about health matters at an alternative location. For example, you may ask that we only contact you at your work address.

Inspection: You have the right to request inspection and to receive a copy of a record of your personal information. If we maintain the record electronically, you have the right to request the copy be in the electronic format of your choice. If we cannot readily provide your record in that
format, we will provide your record in an electronic format that you and we have agreed to.

**Amendment**: If you feel the personal information that we maintain about you is incorrect or incomplete, you have the right to request amendment to your personal information.

**Accounting of Disclosures**: You have the right to an accounting of disclosures we have made for purposes other than for treatment, payment, health care operations, or that you specifically authorized. The first list you request within a 12-month period will be free of charge. For additional lists, we may charge you a reasonable fee for the costs of copying, mailing, and supplies associated with your request.

Except for accounting of disclosures, we will evaluate each request and communicate to you in writing whether we can honor the request. There are instances when we cannot honor your request. For example, we will not amend personal information that was not created by us, unless the person or entity that created the information is no longer available to make the amendment.

**Notice of Privacy Practices**

Notice of Privacy Practices (NPPs) outline an individual’s rights under HIPAA. Refer to:
- WAHIMC: [https://www.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/](https://www.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/)
- MA: [https://medicare.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/](https://medicare.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/)
- Cascade Select: [https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/](https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/)

**Advance Directive, Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST)**

CHPW is required to educate and inform providers about a patient’s rights to an Advance Directive and Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST).

An Advance Directive provides written instructions about a member’s future medical care if the member is unable to express their medical wishes. For the state of Washington, this written instruction is in the form of two documents: a **Health Care Directive** (also known as a Living Will) and a **Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care**. A mental health advance directive provides instructions and/or appoints an agent to make decisions on behalf of the member regarding the member’s mental health treatment.

The **Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST) form** is an option for anybody who has a serious health condition and needs to make decisions about life-sustaining treatment.

Unlike the other directives on this list, the POLST form contains specific medical orders. Additional information regarding POLST, the POLST Form and other end-of-life resources is on the Washington State Medical Association's website: [https://wsma.org/polst](https://wsma.org/polst).

PCPs are encouraged to discuss advance directives with adult patients and are required to document the discussion in the member’s medical record. Providers of medical or behavioral health services for CHPW members must:

- Review each member’s medical record prior to admittance or enrollment to determine if the member has an advance directive,
- clearly document on the member’s medical record whether the member has executed an advance directive,
- honor the advance directive or follow the process explained under the section “Conflicts and Conscientious Objections” below; and
- not refuse, put conditions on care, or otherwise discriminate against a member based on whether the member has completed an advance directive.

Providers must document in a prominent place in an adult member’s medical record whether an Advance Directive exists. If an Advance Directive does exist, a copy of it should be filed in the medical record.

At the time of enrollment, CHPW notifies its members in writing that they or their authorized representative have a right to make decisions concerning their care, including decisions to withhold resuscitative services, to decline or withdraw from life-sustaining treatment, to accept or refuse surgical or medical treatment, to implement an Advance Directive, and to cancel an Advance Directive at any time.

Information should be provided to patients at the time of admission to hospitals and nursing facilities; the start of in-home care services before the member is transferred to the care of the provider; or at the time of the first home visit. This information must include the following:

- That a provider cannot refuse care or otherwise discriminate against a member based on whether the member has executed an Advance Directive.
- That members have the right to file a complaint about the provider’s noncompliance with Advance Directive requirements, and where to file the complaint.
- That the provider must document in a prominent part of the member’s current medical record whether the member has executed an Advance Directive.
- Describe how the provider is required to comply with WAC 182-501-0125.
- Describe provider responsibility to educate staff about their policies and procedures for Advance Directives.
- If a provider is unable to implement an Advance Directive as a matter of conscience, the provider must issue a clear and precise written statement of this limitation to CHPW. The statement must include the following characteristics:
Clarifies the differences between institution-wide objections based on conscience and those that may be raised by individual physicians;
Identifies the State legal authority permitting such objection; and
Explains the range of medical conditions or procedures affected.

Providers whose policy/practice would prevent them from honoring an Advance Directive should:

- Advise the member in advance, or when admitted of existing conscientious objections.
- Prepare and keep a written plan of intended actions if the member chooses to stay.
- Make a good faith effort to transfer the member to another provider who will honor the directive.


**Member Rights and Responsibilities**

CHPW has contractual and regulatory obligations to ensure members eligible for state and federal programs receive a copy of their health care Member Rights and Responsibilities, which:

- Inform members of their rights under the law for treatment, drug prescription, and care management decisions.
- Guarantee that members will be treated with respect.
- Outline what members, in return, are responsible for.
- Inform all members on the availability of language assistance services clearly and in their preferred language, verbally and in writing.

Members’ Rights and Responsibilities should not be confused with **Member Rights under HIPAA**. Member Rights and Responsibilities may vary by line of business:

- For programs administered by Washington State, Member Rights and Responsibilities can be found for each product on CHPW’s website at [https://www.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/](https://www.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/)
- For CHPW Medicare Advantage, Member Rights can be found on the CHPW website at [https://medicare.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/](https://medicare.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/).
- For CHPW Cascade Select, Member Rights can be found on the CHPW website at [https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/](https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/)

**Second Opinion**

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Members or the PCP may request a second opinion where there is a question concerning a diagnosis, options for surgery, or other health care treatment, including behavioral health. If the member desires a second opinion, they must request that the PCP or their behavioral health provider arrange one. The member may request a referral directly from CHPW, if necessary. For Medicaid, MA, and MA D-SNP members, a PCP to PCP referral is required. CHPW Individual and Family Cascade Select members must see an in-network provider or obtain a referral for a non-network provider.

If the member requests a second opinion, the PCP, behavioral health provider, or CHPW shall promptly refer the member to an appropriate participating provider of a similar specialty and authorize the referral if applicable. If there is not a participating provider with the expertise required for the condition, the member shall be referred to an appropriate non-networked specialist.

The requirement for a second opinion has been satisfied when the PCP recommends treatment by a specialist and that specialist agrees with the treatment plan. This is considered a first and second opinion. If the specialist presents a treatment plan and the PCP agrees with that plan, this is also considered to be a first and second opinion. In the case of a second opinion regarding a behavioral health diagnosis or treatment plan, the treating behavioral health provider must consider the recommendations of the provider of equal or higher credentials rendering a second opinion but is not obligated to follow them.

**Women’s Health Care**

CHPW provides female members with direct access to network women’s health care specialists for covered services necessary to provide women’s routine and preventive health care services in accordance with the provisions of WAC 284-170-350 and 42 CFR 438.206(b)(2). Women’s health care services are defined as organized services to provide health care to women, inclusive of the women’s preventive services required by the Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The services include, but are not limited to, maternity care, reproductive health services, gynecological care, general examination, and preventive care as medically appropriate, as well as medically appropriate follow-up visits for these services. Women’s health care services also include any appropriate health care service for other health problems discovered and treated during a visit to a women's health care practitioner for a women's health care service, which is within the practitioner’s scope of practice. For the purposes of determining a woman’s right to direct access to covered maternity, reproductive health, and preventive services, include contraceptive services, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases, pregnancy termination, breast- or chestfeeding, and complications of pregnancy.
Abortion access for HCA (Medicaid)-covered individuals: CHPW follows state guidelines for abortion services. Please see the following HCA webpages for more information: https://www.hca.wa.gov/health-care-services-and-supports/apple-health-medicaid-coverage/abortion-services and https://www.hca.wa.gov/abortion-access-hca-covered-individuals.

Female members on a Medicaid, MA, or MA D-SNP plan can self-refer to any women’s health care provider without needing a referral from their PCP. Female members on an Individual and Family Cascade Select plan must obtain an authorization or referral to receive services from an out-of-network provider.

Emergency Contraception

Emergency contraceptive pills are a safe and effective way to prevent pregnancy. They can be taken up to 120 hours (5 days) after unprotected sex.

Emergency contraceptive pills are available at most pharmacies in Washington State without a prescription and are available at clinics, doctor offices, or online.

Women’s health care for Medicaid members

Covered women’s health care services for Medicaid members include:

- Maternity care, including prenatal, delivery, and postnatal care
- Routine gynecological exams
- Examination and treatment of disorders of the female reproductive system, except as specifically excluded
- Family planning (infertility is not covered)
- Advice on birth control methods
- Other health problems discovered and treated during the member’s office visit, if the treatment is within the provider’s scope of practice, and the service provided is not excluded
- Sterilization. A Medicaid client who is age 21 or older may not self-refer outside their MCO for sterilization. Sterilization requires a signed consent form from the member. Completed consent forms and a 30-day wait period after signature are required for payment of WAHIMC claims for sterilization services. Signature stamps are not accepted on consent forms. The Sterilization Consent forms (English and Spanish) are available on the Provider Forms and Tools page of our website, https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/, under Claims.
- Hysterectomy. All inpatient services require prior authorization. Completed consent forms (no wait period) with signatures are required for payment of WAHIMC claims for hysterectomy services. Signature stamps are not accepted on consent forms. Completed and signed consent forms must be submitted with the claim. The Hysterectomy Consent Form is
available on the Provider Forms and Tools page of our website, https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/, under Claims. Please note:
  o CHPW must have a consent form on file for a member who has a hysterectomy performed (the form can come with the surgeon’s claim, anesthesiologist, facility, etc.). Claims that do not have a consent form on file shall be denied.
  o A Sterilization Consent form is a separate form and is not the correct form for hysterectomies. The Hysterectomy Consent Form is the correct form for hysterectomies.

Billing and payment for sterilization and hysterectomy

As noted above, sterilization and hysterectomy are covered women’s health care services for Medicaid enrollees and a consent form is required.

A properly completed Sterilization Consent Form (HHS-687) is required for all sterilization-related claims. This includes hospital claims and professional services (surgeon and anesthesia). All other requirements and instructions for the Sterilization Consent Form must be followed to ensure the consent form is valid. Please see the Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) Sterilization Billing Guide, Appendix A: Consent Form Instructions, for additional information.

Hysterectomy also requires a completed, valid consent form, and all inpatient services require prior authorization. A sterilization consent form is a separate form and is not the correct form for hysterectomies. The Hysterectomy Consent Form (HCA 13-365) is the correct, required form for hysterectomies. Please see the Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) Physician-Related Services/Health Care Professional Services Billing Guide, Hysterectomies section, for additional information.

CHPW will not pay for sterilization or hysterectomy services without a consent form. Payment will be reduced if a valid sterilization or hysterectomy claim does not have a completed, signed consent form.

As stated in the Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) Sterilization Billing Guide:

“For inpatient claims, the hospital must indicate on the claim all charges that are associated with the sterilization on their own line with the appropriate revenue code as noncovered.

“Note: When labor/delivery (including C-section) and a sterilization are performed during the same hospital stay, federal match is not available for the sterilization-related costs if the sterilization did not comply with the informed consent requirement. HCA pays for the labor/delivery (including C-section) only.”

For purposes of this communication, use of “sterilization” in the above quote from the HCA billing guide includes hysterectomy.

In addition:
• Hospitals priced by ratio of cost to charges (RCC) must indicate on the claim all charges that are associated with the sterilization. Those charges are required to be billed on their own line with the appropriate revenue code as noncovered. CHPW will reimburse the hospital for covered labor/delivery charges. If the claim is not billed correctly, it will be denied for proper billing and the provider would need to submit a corrected claim.

• Hospitals priced by diagnosis related group (DRG) have a different calculation method. CHPW will reduce the payment of the claim by removing the sterilization services.

Consent forms are available on our Provider Forms & Tools webpage, under “Claims.”

Women’s health care for MA and MA D-SNP members
CHPW covers Original Medicare preventive services for female MA and MA D-SNP members, including screening for cervical cancer, mammography, pap tests, and pelvic examinations. Additional information is located at: https://www.cms.gov/medicare/prevention/prevntiongeninfo/medicare-preventive-services/mps-quickreferencechart-1.html.

To find a women’s health care provider within our network, please go to Find a Doctor:
• For WAHIMC, https://www.chpw.org/find-a-doctor/
• For Medicare Advantage and D-SNP, https://medicare.chpw.org/find-a-doctor/
• For Individual and Family Cascade Select, https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/find-a-doctor/

Member and Balance Billing Protection Act (BBPA)


“The Balance Billing Protection Act protects patients from getting a surprise medical bill for emergency services or when they have a scheduled procedure at an in-network hospital or surgery facility and are seen by an out-of-network provider.”

For Individual and Family Cascade Select members, the BBPA applies to non-contracted providers.

CHPW contracted providers must accept payment as payment in full for all LOBs. Providers are prohibited from “balance billing” a client, i.e., charging the difference between usual, customary rates and CHPW’s payment. A provider must not bill a member, or anyone on the member’s behalf, for any services until the provider has completed all requirements, including the conditions of payment (i.e., prior authorization, plan authorized referral), and until the provider has then fully informed the member of their covered options.
A provider must not bill for:

1. Any services for which the provider failed to satisfy the conditions of payment described by the HCA, and the requirements by CHPW.
2. A covered service even if the provider has not received payment from CHPW.
3. A covered service when CHPW denies an authorization request for the service because the required information was not received from the provider.

The Agreement to Pay for Healthcare Services covered in WAC 182-502-0160 (“Billing a Client”) is an agreement between a “client” and a “provider,” and where an HCA 13-879 form must be completed, signed, and dated before the service(s) are rendered. The member agrees to pay the provider for health care service(s) that the HCA will not pay. For the purposes of this Agreement, “services” include, but are not limited to health care treatment, equipment, supplies, and medications. For a complete understanding relevant to HCA policies on “Billing a Client,” please go to: http://app.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=182-502-0160.

**Medicare Advantage – D-SNP**

Medicare physicians, providers, and suppliers who offer services and supplies to Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries must be aware that they may not bill Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries for Medicare cost-sharing. This includes deductible, coinsurance, and copayments, known as “balance billing.” Section 1902(n)(3)(B) of the Social Security Act, as modified by Section 4714 of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, prohibits Medicare providers from balance billing Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries for Medicare cost sharing. Qualified Medical Beneficiaries have no legal obligation to make further payment to a provider or Medicare managed care plan for Part A or Part B cost sharing.

Providers who inappropriately bill Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries for Medicare cost-sharing are subject to sanctions. Please review CHPW’s Balance Billing Training for member billing polices for Medicare D-SNP and Medicaid at: https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-training-and-resources/provider-billing-and-claims/.

CHPW members are held harmless for payment of any fees that are the legal obligation of CHPW. For any member eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid, the member is held harmless for Medicare Part A and B cost sharing when the state is responsible for paying such amounts (42 CFR 422.504 (i)(3)(i) and 422.504 (g)(1)(i)).

**Culturally and Linguistic Appropriate Service (CLAS) Standards**
CHPW serves a very diverse population and focuses significant effort to help remove the barriers—economic, cultural, linguistic, geographic, and otherwise—that prevent people from getting needed medical attention. Our membership includes low-income families, diverse ethnic groups, recent immigrants, and people with disabilities. We recognize that access to and delivery of culturally competent services is key to delivering equitable care and are committed to advancing health equity through promotion of the Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) Standards. CHPW contracted providers are responsible for considering all cultural and linguistic needs when caring for our members, and we ensure providers have access to information on requirements to meet CLAS national standards through orientation, online and/or on-site training programs, annual workshops, newsletters, and other resources. For more information on CLAS and other trainings, visit the CHPW website at https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-training-and-resources/hca-and-cms-training/.

Interpreter Services

All members who are eligible for medical assistance through HCA are eligible for interpreter services, including those who are deaf, deaf-blind, or hard of speaking. A complete guide on HCA interpreter services may be found on the HCA website.

CHPW is providing Telephonic Interpreter Assistance for our providers to use with CHPW Medicare Advantage members. This is free of charge. Clinic staff is responsible for verifying a member is a CHPW Medicare Advantage member. The telephonic interpreter service is offered through LionBridge.

To access LionBridge Interpreter Services:
- Dial: 1 855-461-1323 (Toll Free)
- Department Code: 60

Document the interpreter’s name and ID number for reference. Brief the interpreter and give any special instructions.

If you have questions about CHPW, please contact CHPW’s Customer Service team at (800)-440-1561.

Medical Provider Responsibilities

When HCA clients need interpreter services to receive medical or health care services, the medical provider is responsible for:
- Verifying that the patient is an eligible HCA client.
- Checking to see whether the medical service to be provided is covered by the client’s medical program.
• Notifying the HCA client that interpreter services are available to the client at no charge.
• Coordinating the interpreter services.
• Following HCA medical service authorization procedures, whenever applicable.
• Notifying the independent interpreter or interpreter agency when interpreter services are required.
• Notifying the interpreter of any changes to scheduled appointments.
• Verifying the interpreter’s picture identification with the interpreter.
• Documenting in the client’s record that the person is deaf, deaf-blind, hard of hearing, or limited-English speaking (LEP), and that interpreter services were provided. Include the name of the interpreter and what form of identification was presented.

Other Provider Responsibilities

When necessary, the provider may also be responsible for:

• Contacting the HCA’s Universal Language Service. For more information, visit https://hcauniversal.com/requester-hcaopi/.
• Contacting the Washington State Relay Service for TDD connection (711) to communicate with a person who is deaf, deaf-blind, or hard of hearing.
• Medicare Advantage: CHPW is providing Telephonic Interpreter Assistance for our providers to use with CHPW Medicare Advantage members. This is free of charge. Clinic staff is responsible for verifying a member is a CHPW Medicare Advantage member. The telephonic interpreter service is offered through LionBridge.

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• Dial: 1 855-461-1323 (Toll Free)
• Department Code: 60

HealthMAPS Provider Portal

CHPW’s HealthMAPS online provider portal lets you enter and view member claims, check eligibility, view and report a member’s other health insurance (OHI), view roster reports, and more.

HealthMAPS Login
CHPW has implemented Multi-Factor Authentication for all provider-facing portals, including HealthMAPS. This enhances the safety and security of CHPW’s provider and membership data.

OneHealthPort already offers Multi-Factor Authentication for CHPW. We now require you to sign in directly to OneHealthPort for access to CHPW’s HealthMAPS provider portal.
What is OneHealthPort?
OneHealthPort Single Sign-On offers health care professionals an easy and secure way to access the provider portals of major local health plans and hospitals as well as other valuable online services with one ID and password.

What is Multi-Factor Authentication?
Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) means a user must verify their identity by multiple methods to log into an account or system. Methods can include something you know, such as your username and password, plus something you have, such as a unique code that is generated by an app and sent to you via email or text. You enter the necessary information to verify your identity and approve your login. This can help prevent someone else from accessing your account, even if they know your username and password. Please see OneHealthPort Multi-Factor Authentication page for more information: https://www.onehealthport.com/multi-factor-authentication.

How to check if your organization has a OneHealthPort account
Please see the OneHealthPort Frequently Asked Questions page for more information: https://www.onehealthport.com/sso/frequently-asked-questions.

- To check if your organization is registered with OneHealthPort, follow the instructions under “What if I don’t know whether my Organization is registered yet or who is my Administrator?”
- If you do not have a OneHealthPort account, follow the instructions under “How do I register to use OneHealthPort?” or go directly to Register Your Organization: https://www.onehealthport.com/sso/register-your-organization.

If you try to create a new HealthMAPS account or log into HealthMAPS directly, the system will redirect you to OneHealthPort. You will then need to log into OneHealthPort to access HealthMAPS.

To log into HealthMAPS from OneHealthPort:

2. Select the button that reads HealthMAPS Login as in the screenshot below.

   ![HealthMAPS Login](image)

3. Enter your OneHealthPort logon credentials.

Questions?
If you have questions about OneHealthPort, including how to register or how to access your account,
you can contact OneHealthPort Help Desk at 1-800-973-4797, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

If you have questions about CHPW’s HealthMAPS portal, please see our Provider Portal Training page, https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-training-and-resources/provider-portal-training/, or call:

- Washington Apple Health Integrated Managed Care (WAHIMC) Customer Service, 1-800-440-1561 (TTY: 711), Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm
- Medicare Advantage Customer Service, 1-800-942-0247 (TTY: 711), 7 days a week, 8am to 8pm
- Individual and Family Cascade Select Customer Service, 1-866-907-1906 (TTY: 711), 8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday

Your HealthMAPS Provider Account
Please note, it may take up to five (5) calendar days to process your HealthMAPS registration. You will receive an email when your registration is complete.

Once you have an account, these features are available immediately:

- Your dashboard, which has news and notifications, claims and membership information, and more specific to you; no other CHPW providers can see your notifications.
- Customize your dashboard based on your preferred tax ID(s) so you can see the information that you are most interested in each time you log in.
- The Provider News area has general information that all CHPW providers can view.
- View/review authorizations and referrals in HealthMAPS that have been processed by our Utilization Management Intake team. Please continue to request authorizations and referrals via the Jiva portal, https://jiva.chpw.org/; you will need a Jiva portal account login. The Authorizations Request button in HealthMAPS links to Jiva. Jiva training materials are available at https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-training-and-resources/provider-portal-training/, then under JIVA Portal.
- Enhanced ability to send and receive benefit/eligibility (270/271) and claim status (276/277) transactions.
- Search for and view claim details.
- Request claim reviews.
- View and report other health insurance.

Note: Other health insurance (OHI) information in the state’s ProviderOne system may be inaccurate or out of date. CHPW collects, verifies, and then reports other health insurance for our members back to the Health Care Authority via a monthly update file. There may be a window of time where member third party liability (TPL)/OHI information has changed in HealthMAPS but has not yet been reported to the HCA. Please always consider HealthMAPS as the system of truth concerning our members’
other health insurance information. View capitation and member roster reports. Providers are in violation of State Code when they refuse to provide services to CHPW members based on TPL information in ProviderOne, HealthMaps and/or etc. Delaying or stopping a member from receiving healthcare due to private insurance is addressed in WAC 182-501-0200 (9) as follows:

(9) A Provider cannot refuse to furnish covered services to a client because of a third-party’s potential liability for the services. For more information, please contact CHPW’s Customer Service at 800 440-1561.

• Enter a new claim.
• Enter a corrected claim.
• Submit claims with attachments.
• In some screens, you can export information, such as authorizations, to Microsoft Excel or Adobe Acrobat PDF.
• Send an inquiry or other secure message to a CHPW Customer Service Representative. In some screens, you can attach a file to your message.
• Get quick access to different forms and tools housed on the CHPW website via the Provider Resources Quick Link menu option.

Billing and Claims Payment

Governance
CHPW processes and will adjust claims (if applicable) in accordance with:

1. All federal and state laws;
2. CHPW provider contract language;
3. contract obligations, rules, and laws as defined and published by Medicare and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the Washington State HCA, and the Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC);
4. nationally recognized coding standards and National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) payment system edits;
5. CHPW established policies; and
6. health insurance industry standard best practices.

For Individual and Family Cascade Select, CHPW shall follow CMS billing rules and guidelines; in the absence of a relevant CMS rule or guideline, CHPW Individual and Family Cascade Select Benefit Plans follow HCA billing guidelines. Depending on the specific benefit or circumstances, CHPW has the discretion to vary from the CMS or HCA guidelines to ensure that CHPW applies the best option for the member.

Billing Requirements
CHPW providers are required to follow appropriate billing guidelines. This includes ensuring that

Complex Behavioral Health Services
CHPW uses the SERI guide (Service Encounter Reporting Instructions) for complex behavioral health services billing requirements for CHPW-contracted behavioral health providers. The HCA will adopt additional rules for HIPAA compliance and update the SERI Guide accordingly. The guide includes CPT and HCPCS codes, modifiers, and other billing requirements. The SERI guidelines are located at: http://hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/program-information-providers/service-encounter-reporting-instructions-seri.

Provider Status
To ensure timely adjudication and payment of claims, CHPW recommends that providers verify their participation or contracting status prior to submitting claims.

The submission of a credentialing application does not allow a provider to treat CHPW members. The provider must have completed the credentialing/recredentialing status prior to treating CHPW members and submitting claims, otherwise claims will be denied. See the “Credentialing and Recredentialing” section of this manual for more information. For credentialing status inquiries, please contact provider.credentialing@chpw.org.

For all claims (electronic and paper), the Billing Provider Address (Loop 2010AA) must be a physical location (street address). This is Box 33 for paper claims, or Loop 2010AA for electronic claims. The Pay-To Address (Loop 2010AB) can be a PO Box or a different location than the service address. If the Service Location is different than the Billing Provider (physical location), the 2310C Loop must be populated. See the Claims Entry, Corrected Claims, and Viewing Prior Authorizations and Referrals training guide for more information. Go to https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-training-and-resources/provider-portal-training/, under HealthMAPS FAQs and Training.

Provider changes may be reported to CHPW by completing a Provider Add Change Term Form located at https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/ and emailing it directly to provider.changes@CHPW.org.

Substitute Physicians (Locum Tenens) Billing – Medicaid
CHPW follows HCA guidelines for locum tenens billing: “Physicians may bill under certain circumstances for services provided on a temporary basis (i.e., locum tenens) to their patients by another physician...Any provider that will perform as a locum tenens provider that will treat a
Medicaid client must be enrolled as a Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) provider for claims to be paid.” Please refer to the Physician-Related Services/Health Care Professional Services billing guide for more information, https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/prior-authorization-claims-and-billing/provider-billing-guides-and-fee-schedules.

Core Provider Agreement (CPA) - WAHIMC and BHSO

The Code of Federal Regulations (federal law) mandates that eligible providers who see Medicaid clients obtain a Core Provider Agreement (CPA) with the HCA. The HCA must enroll eligible providers in its WAHIMC program to pay those providers for covered services, supplies, and equipment rendered to eligible WAHIMC and BHSO clients. In addition, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) allows the option for providers who do not bill Medicaid but write orders and prescriptions for services Medicaid pays for to have “an approved agreement with the agency [HCA] as a non-billing provider.” Providers and CHPW must comply with the federal mandate. The CPA/non-billing agreement requirement applies only to MCO-contracted providers who bill fee-for-service through the state’s ProviderOne system. Non-contracted and out-of-state providers are not required to enroll with the HCA.

Providers cannot bill the health plan member unless the member was informed prior to receiving services that the provider is not an active Apple Health provider. The member must agree to receive and pay for the services, and this agreement must be documented in the member’s record.

The following resources have more information:

- CHPW’s FAQ, https://www.chpw.org/wp-content/uploads/content/provider-center/training/Core_Provider_Agreement_and_National_Provider_Identifier_NPI_Status_FAQ.pdf
- The HCA’s Enrollment overview page, https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/become-apple-health-provider/enroll-provider
- The HCA’s Enroll as a nonbilling provider page, https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/become-apple-health-provider/enroll-nonbilling-provider
- The HCA’s FAQ for Medicaid requirements for ordering, prescribing, and referring providers, https://www.hca.wa.gov/assets/fs_faqorderingprescribingreferringproviders.pdf

VSP Vision Benefit for All CHPW Plans

Log onto vsp.com to find a VSP Washington network provider for Medicaid, Medicare Advantage, Special Needs Plan (D-SNP), and Individual and Family Cascade Select Members. Refer to the CHPW
benefit grids for additional information:

- Apple Health Managed Care and Behavioral Health Service Only, [https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/](https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/)
- Medicare Advantage and D-SNP, [https://medicare.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/](https://medicare.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/)
- Individual and Family Cascade Select, [https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/](https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/)

**Newborn Claims – Medicaid and Individual and Family Cascade Select**

For **Medicaid**, providers should bill for newborn care using the mother's CHPW ID number (until the end of the month, newborn’s 21st day of life). After the 21st day, the newborn should have their own Member ID number. **Note**: Newborns whose mothers are enrolled on the date of birth shall be deemed a member and enrolled in the same plan as the mother as follows:

- Retrospectively for the month(s) in which the first twenty-one (21) days of life occur and prospectively, beginning the first of the month after the newborn is reported to the HCA.
- If the newborn does not receive a separate client identifier from the HCA, the newborn enrollment will be only available through the end of the month in which the first twenty-one (21) days of life occur.
- For electronic claims, the Loop 2000B is the subscriber information and for Medicaid, the subscriber and patient are the same. Therefore, for Medicaid baby claims using the mother’s ID, all the baby’s information (name, address, date of birth, and gender) must go in the Loop 2000B segment along with the mother’s ID. When you do this for a Medicaid newborn, ensure the Loop 2300 has an NTE*ADD*SCI=B note also.

For **Individual and Family Cascade Select**, the newborn record is created using the claim and the mother’s information. That record is then matched up with the incoming Health Benefit Exchange (HBE) enrollment file.

**Circumcision Claims – Medicaid**

CHPW reimburses up to $200.00 (non-medically necessary circumcision).

**Billing Details**

- Children <18 years of age (eligible).
- $200.00 maximum benefit, one per lifetime (per child).
- Members may obtain this service from an open network. Provider is not required to be contracted with CHPW. However, provider must agree to submit claim to CHPW and must have a Core Provider Agreement with the HCA ([https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/apple-health-medicaid-providers/enroll-billing-provider](https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/apple-health-medicaid-providers/enroll-billing-provider)).
- Once the $200.00 is met, any subsequent claims for the same circumcision procedure code(s) received for the same child will be denied as “benefit maximum reached” and the
charges will be patient’s responsibility.

- If CHPW receives the professional claim first, we will pay that in full up to the allowed amount and apply any remaining dollars up to the $200.00 maximum on a subsequent claim.

Example

- $75.00 Professional fee billed
  - $50.00 Allowed amount
  - \[ \text{CHPW payment amount} \text{ subtotal} = 50.00 \]

- $300.00 Facility claim billed
  - $250.00 Allowed amount
  - \[ \text{CHPW payment amount} \text{ subtotal} = 150.00 \]

- \[ \text{$200.00 total CHPW payment amount (professional + facility fees)} \]

- CHPW will reimburse related services (because of a complication).
- Claims for non-medically necessary circumcisions prior to February 1, 2021, are not covered.

**Hospice Claims – Medicaid**

Hospice providers are reimbursed through the Washington State Health Care Authority’s (HCA) hospice daily rate. The daily rate includes core services and supplies such as drugs, home health care, durable medical equipment (DME), and skilled nursing care. The HCA Hospice Services Billing Guide includes a list of all covered services and supplies. Please see [https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/prior-authorization-claims-and-billing/provider-billing-guides-and-fee-schedules](https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/prior-authorization-claims-and-billing/provider-billing-guides-and-fee-schedules).

There are four different levels of hospice care. Each level has a designated revenue (REV) code with general billing requirements. The place of service specified on the claim determines payment. If services are provided in a member’s residence, then the payment is based on the county location of the home. If the member is an inpatient in a nursing facility/skilled nursing facility, hospital, or hospice care center, then payment is determined by the county location of the hospice provider. CHPW’s payment is based on the HCA hospice fee schedule where each REV code has an assigned rate by county. If a specific county is not listed, then payment is processed under the “all other areas” rate.

All Medicaid hospice claims are held for manual review and pricing to ensure that the region (county) for the place of service is verified, and the correct rate is applied to the claim.

End of life and hospice care shall not be denied as readmissions.

**Inpatient Facility Claims - Authorized Dates for Claims Submission**

If a facility has an inpatient claim where the prior authorization does not cover the full length of stay, the facility must split the claim as follows. Note that this applies in specific situations, such as DRG
claims and percent of billed claims (for example, Critical Access Hospitals). It does not apply to readmissions within 48 hours.

1. Bill the days/services that are covered in the prior authorization (PA) on one claim; and then
2. Bill the days/services that are not covered in the PA on a second claim.

If you have questions, please contact Customer Service (refer to the “CHPW Contacts” section of the manual).

Claim Documents
Refer to https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/ for a complete forms list. The forms listed below are located under Claims (Medicaid, Medicare Advantage, and Individual and Family Cascade Select plans) unless noted otherwise.

- **Claims Supporting Documentation Cover Sheet**
- **Corrected Claim – Standard Cover Sheet**
- **Hysterectomy Consent Form**; as noted in the “Women’s Health Care” section of the manual (Medicaid only)
- **Sterilization Consent Form**; noted in the “Women’s Health Care” section of the manual (Medicaid only)
- **1500 Claim Form and Instructions (02-12)**
- **UB-04 Claim Form and Instructions**

Corrected Claims
A corrected claim (previously billed and processed) either paid or denied requiring reprocessing with corrected information i.e., date of service, patient information, procedure codes. Note: If a previously process claim is not submitted as a “corrected” claim, it will be denied as a duplicate claim. Refer to https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/ for the Corrected Claim – Standard Cover Sheet.


How to Submit Electronic - Corrected Claim
Complete the following steps when electronically submitting a corrected claim in the ANSI-837 professional or institutional format:
837P (Professional) and 837I (Institutional) Claims: In Loop 2300 (Claim Information), segment CLM05-3, use Claim Frequency Type Code “7” for “Replacement.”

The corrected claim will process as a replacement claim and reverse the original claim on file.

You can also submit corrected claims through the HealthMAPS provider portal. See the Claims Entry, Corrected Claims, and Viewing Prior Authorizations and Referrals training guide for instructions. Please go to https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-training-and-resources/provider-portal-training/

**How to Submit Hard Copy - Corrected Claims**

For paper claims, please:

2. Make sure to include the original claim number as indicated on the cover sheet.
3. Attach any necessary supporting documentation.
4. Mail the cover sheet, corrected claim, and any supporting documentation to:
   - CHP Claims
   - PO Box 269002
   - Plano, TX 75026-9002

Do not send corrected claims(s) to Customer Service, it will delay receipt and claim(s) processing.

**Electronic Transactions / Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)**

Benefits of electronic transactions:
- Environment and financially friendly, reducing paper consumption and related costs i.e., envelope, postage.
- 24-hour submission availability.
- Access to timely benefit, eligibility, and claim status information.
- Faster claim submission.
- Eliminate time waiting mail delivery of Remittance Advice (RA) and check.
- Automatic availability of funds, without manual deposit;
- Elimination of lost or misplaced RA or check.
- CHPW supports the following electronic transactions: 270: Eligibility, coverage, or benefit inquiry.
- 271: Eligibility, coverage, or benefit response.
- 276: Health care claim status inquiry.
- 277: Health care information status response.
- **834**: Benefit enrollment and maintenance.
- **835**: Health care claim payment advice; electronic remittance advice, or ERA; payment details for your claim(s)*.
- **837**: Health care claim.
- **ACH/EFT payments**: Automated clearinghouse (ACH) payments* made by electronic funds transfer (EFT); known as direct deposit or electronic banking.

*Note that the 835 ERA and ACH/EFT payments are separate transactions and each requires a separate enrollment. If you enroll in one of these transactions, you are not automatically enrolled in the other; you can have ERA and not ACH/EFT or vice versa. Refer to the “835 transactions” and “ACH/EFT Payments” sections below for more information.

Providers may contact [edi.support@chpw.org](mailto:edi.support@chpw.org) with questions relating to any of these transactions.

**Member Eligibility and Benefits**

To check member eligibility and make a benefit inquiry (270/271 transaction), your clearinghouse/trading partner needs to have a signed trading partner agreement with NTT Data. Please have your clearinghouse/trading partner contact NTT Data at [DL_Consumerism_Services@nttdata.com](mailto:DL_Consumerism_Services@nttdata.com) to set up connectivity. Our payer ID for 270/271 transactions is CMTWA.

You can also check eligibility through the CHPW HealthMAPS online provider portal at [https://www.onehealthport.com/sso-payer/community-health-plan-washington](https://www.onehealthport.com/sso-payer/community-health-plan-washington). Please see the “HealthMAPS Provider Portal” section of this manual for more information.

**Electronic Claims Submission**

CHPW uses Availity for electronic claims submission, or 837 transactions. To start submitting electronic claims, contact your software vendor to learn about options for electronic claims systems and choosing a clearinghouse.

Our Availity Payer ID is *CHPWA*. Your clearinghouse will work directly with Availity to connect you for these transactions. If you have questions, you can go to [https://www.availity.com/](https://www.availity.com/) or call 1-800-AVAILITY (282-4548).

**Check Claim Processing Status**

You can check claim processing status (276/277 transaction) with *NTT Data*. Please have your clearinghouse/trading partner contact NTT Data at [DL_Consumerism_Services@nttdata.com](mailto:DL_Consumerism_Services@nttdata.com) to enroll. In addition, you can check claim processing status on a claim-by-claim basis through the CHPW HealthMAPS online provider portal at [https://www.onehealthport.com/sso-payer/community-health-plan-washington](https://www.onehealthport.com/sso-payer/community-health-plan-washington). Please see the “HealthMAPS Provider Portal” section of this manual for more information.
Note: When checking the **processing** status of a claim, it may not have the final **payment** status (i.e., allowed, adjusted, denied) if claim adjudication is not complete.

**Claim Message Codes**
Contact [edi.support@chpw.org](mailto:edi.support@chpw.org) for questions related to CHPW Reason Codes, Claim Adjustment Reason Codes (CARCs), or Remittance Advice Remark Codes (RARCs).

**Claim Issues**
First, contact Customer Service (see the “CHPW Contacts” section of this manual).

If Customer Service is unable to assist or resolve the issue, contact the Claims Investigation Unit (CIU). (Refer to the “Claims Investigation Unit (CIU)” section of this manual).

**835 Transactions**
CHPW uses **Availity** for electronic remittance advice (ERA), or 835 transactions. The 835 is also known as a health care claim payment advice. You or your clearinghouse need to enroll in ERA directly with Availity. Our Availity Payer ID is **CHPWA**. Go to Availity.com or call 1-800-AVAILITY (282-4548) to enroll in ERA.

Once you’re registered with Availity and have submitted your Availity Identity Verification Form, follow these steps to complete a check/EFT validation in order to gain access to your CHPW ERAs.

1. Log in to [https://www.availity.com/](https://www.availity.com/).
2. Click on **Remittance Viewer**.
3. Click **Manage Access**.
4. Click **Get Access**.
5. Enter check/EFT details from a recent payment from CHPW.
6. Once the check/EFT details display, click **Accept**.
7. Log out and log back in.
8. Go back to **Remittance Viewer**, then search for **CHPWA** for best results. (Other health plans have names similar to “Community Health Plan”.)


Be advised, once you’re enrolled to receive electronic ERA/835, CHPW will discontinue sending paper RAs. Once CHPW receives confirmation of enrollment in ERA, electronic RAs are generated. Contact [EDI.Support@chpw.org](mailto:EDI.Support@chpw.org) if you prefer to continue receiving paper RAs.

If you have questions about enrolling for 835/ERA files or if you previously enrolled and would like to stop receiving the paper RA, contact [EDI.Support@chpw.org](mailto:EDI.Support@chpw.org).

For missing 835/ERA, contact Availity at 1-800-AVAILITY (282-4548).
For missing paper remits, contact CHPW’s Customer Service department.

- WAHIMC and BHSO Customer Service: (800) 440-1561
- MA Customer Service: (800) 942-0247
- Individual and Family Cascade Select Customer Service, (866) 907-1906

**ACH/EFT Payments**
Contact [EDI.Support@chpw.org](mailto:EDI.Support@chpw.org) for ACH/EFT enrollment and/or changes.

**Claims Investigation Unit (CIU)**
CHPW providers can submit complex claim inquiries to the Claims Investigation Unit at [cs.claimsdistribution@chpw.org](mailto:cs.claimsdistribution@chpw.org).

This includes claim inquiries related to:
- Fee schedule
- Anesthesia pricing
- Negative balance
- Re-occurring benefit configuration
- Interim billing
- Endoscopic pricing
- Multiple surgery pricing
- Ambulance pricing
- DRG pricing
- Re-admission
- Health Homes claims
- Overpayments and underpayments
- Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) claims
- WAHIMC and BHSO claims
- RHC encounter payments

All other inquiries should be directed to the CHPW Customer Service Team(s) at:
- WAHIMC and BHSO Customer Service: 1-800-440-1561
- MA Customer Service: 1-800-942-0247
- Email [customercare@chpw.org](mailto:customercare@chpw.org)

Note: You can also check the status of claims through the CHPW HealthMAPS provider portal at [https://www.onehealthport.com/sso-payer/community-health-plan-washington](https://www.onehealthport.com/sso-payer/community-health-plan-washington). Refer to the
“HealthMAPS Provider Portal” section of this manual for more information.

**Negative Balance**

There may be times when a provider has a negative balance with CHPW, meaning a provider owes money to CHPW. This can occur due to claim adjustments. For example: If CHPW were to request a refund or initiate a recoupment and the provider did not have enough new claim activity to offset the balance due, a negative balance could result. “Paid” claims would apply to the negative balance, thereby reducing it.

When CHPW makes adjustments to modify or correct claim billing errors, we use these basic accounting principles and two transactions will display on the provider’s remittance advice(s):

- The provider may receive a single remittance advice (RA) with both the negative and offsetting transactions; or the provider may receive two RA, one for each transaction.
- The negative balance transaction is a copy of the original claim with dollar amounts listed as a negative.
- The offsetting transaction is a repayment that displays the modification or corrections made to the original claim and the associated repayment dollar amounts.
- CHPW will then subtract the original payment amount from the adjusted claim payment amount and include this difference in the current payment amount.
- CHPW sends a negative balance letter indicating the provider’s weekly remittance advice shows positive payment, and the provider will not receive a check. The letter states a claim adjustment has occurred and no check will be issued until the negative balance has been repaid.
- All future claim(s) payments will be offset against this negative balance until the entire negative balance has been fulfilled.
- The provider will not receive any detailed remits showing the offset claims until the entire negative balance is cleared.
- Providers can refund the negative balance by sending a check for the negative amount to:
  
  WF Lockbox  
  Attn: Claims Refunds  
  PO Box 94751  
  Seattle, WA 98124-7051

This is CHPW’s policy for all lines of business: Apple Health, Medicare Advantage, and Individual and Family Cascade Select.

**DRG, Fee Schedule, and Refund Request Disputes**

Submit disputes related to DRG pricing, fee schedule determinations, and CHPW refund requests directly to:

  Community Health Plan of Washington
This ensures more efficient processing and faster response time for issue resolution. You may also view the Overpayment and Underpayment Recoveries section of your Provider Agreement or the Dispute Resolution section of your facility agreement for more information.

To contest a refund request, refer to the Overpayment and Underpayment Recoveries section of your Provider Agreement or the Dispute Resolution section of your facility agreement.

**Submit Refunds**

Please submit checks for overpayment refunds to:

CHPW
PO Box 94751
Seattle, WA 98124-7051

**Timely Filing Requirements**

Following are the timely filing requirements by line of business:

- When CHPW is the primary payer, we must receive the original Medicare Advantage, WAHIMC, or Individual and Family Cascade Select claim within 365 days from date of service (DOS).
- When another plan is the primary payer, CHPW must receive the original secondary claim within 365 days of the process date of the primary payer's remittance advice (RA)/explanation of benefits (EOB). CHPW cannot process the secondary claim if the primary payer denied the claim for timely filing.
- CHPW must receive Medicare Advantage or Individual and Family Cascade Select corrected claims within one year of the initial process date.
- CHPW must receive WAHIMC corrected claims within 24 months of DOS.

Refer to your CHPW provider contract for information related to timely filing requirements for claims and encounter data submissions.

**Claims Processing Standards for Participating Providers**

CHPW adjudicates claims based on receipt date and according to state and federal regulatory requirements:
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| Medicaid   | • 95% of clean claims within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt  
            | • 95% of all claims within sixty (60) calendar days of receipt  
            | • 99% of clean claims within 90 calendar days of receipt |
| Medicare   | • 95% of clean claims within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt  
            | • 100% of unclean claims within sixty (60) days |
| Individual and Family Cascade Select | • 95% of clean claims within 30 calendar days of receipt  
                                          | • 95% of all claims within 60 calendar days of receipt  
                                          | • 99% of clean claims within 90 calendar days of receipt |

**Fee Schedules/Rate Updates**

Throughout any given year, numerous government payer rate changes occur, sometimes with retroactive effective dates. To improve CHPW claim payment turnaround times in cases where federal and state rate changes do not provide sixty (60) days advance notice, CHPW will implement rate changes on the date that CHPW completed the reconfiguration of its claim system or the published effective date of the new rates provided by the governmental entity, whichever occurs later.

CHPW shall use Medicare and appropriate Medicaid fee schedules for Individual and Family Cascade Select pricing/rates and follow the same protocol for fee schedule updates.

We see this policy as beneficial to you, when compared to the extended claims holds and payment delays required for short notice governmental rate changes. This policy will result in payment of claims at the non-current rate for only the minimal timeframe necessary to successfully configure the short notice rate change, if any. If such action results in a substantial negative impact to either party, the impacted party may request that the parties negotiate a settlement payment in lieu of retroactive adjustment of individual claims.

**Note:** Claims for the same DOS could be paid from differing fee schedule dates due to when the fee schedule was implemented and when the provider submitted the claim.

Please contact your Contract Administrator if you have questions about this policy.

**Encounter Data**

CMS and HCA require encounter data reporting (EDR) from contracted managed care organizations (MCOs). Data reporting must include all health care and behavioral health (mental health and substance abuse) services delivered to eligible clients. Complete, accurate, and timely encounter reporting is the responsibility of each MCO and is critical to the success of the managed care health care delivery system.
Encounter data is conceptually equivalent to paid, capitated, and denied claims records for Medicaid, Medicare, and Individual and Family Cascade Select. They are records of the health care services for which MCOs pay and the amounts MCOs pay to providers of those services. Federal law requires this data to be submitted electronically in specific formats for each.

Please refer to the following resources for more information about encounter data:

- SERI guide [http://hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/program-information-providers/service-encounter-reporting-instructions-seri](http://hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/program-information-providers/service-encounter-reporting-instructions-seri)
- NCPDP Standards: [https://standards.ncpdp.org/](https://standards.ncpdp.org/) or call (480) 477-1000.

The following section gives information on how to prevent some of the most common errors we’ve identified based on billed encounter data:

- Taxonomy Codes: [https://taxonomy.nucc.org/](https://taxonomy.nucc.org/)
- Revenue Code/Procedure Code Grid (use the grid to help determine which revenue codes require you to include procedure codes): [http://www.hca.wa.gov/medicaid/hospitalpymt/pages/outpatient.aspx](http://www.hca.wa.gov/medicaid/hospitalpymt/pages/outpatient.aspx) (click on “Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS)”, then scroll down to “HCA revenue code grids” and choose the one that applies for the date of service)
- Quarterly NDC-HCPCS Crosswalk: [https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-fee-for-service-part-b-drugs/mcrpartbdrugavgsalesprice](https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-fee-for-service-part-b-drugs/mcrpartbdrugavgsalesprice) (select the appropriate year, then scroll down on the resulting page to “Related Links” for the crosswalks)
- NPI provider directory: [https://npiregistry.cms.hhs.gov/](https://npiregistry.cms.hhs.gov/)

Billing providers should submit all information required for payment of the claim.

- **837P**—Includes any professional or medical healthcare service that could be billed on the standard **1500 Health Insurance Claim** form. Professional services usually include:
  - Ambulatory surgery centers
  - Anesthesia services
  - Durable medical equipment (DME) and medical supplies
  - Laboratory and radiology interpretation
Physician visits
Physician-based surgical services
Therapy (i.e., Speech, PT, OT)
Transportation services

Refer to the National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) Health Insurance Claim Form at http://www.nucc.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=197&Itemid=114 for more information.

- 837I – Includes any institutional services and facility charges that would be billed on the standard UB-04 Claim form. These services usually include:
  - Inpatient hospital stays and all services given during the stay
  - Outpatient hospital services
  - Evaluation & Treatment Centers
  - Home Health and Hospice services
  - Kidney Centers
  - SNF stays

Refer to http://www.cms.gov/ for more information about the 837-I form.

National Drug Codes (NDC)
All MCOs are required to report in their encounter data the NDC of drugs provided in outpatient settings. Encounters with a missing or invalid NDC will be rejected.

Please see the following CMS webpage for more information:

Billing for Administration of Drugs
When billing for the administration (injection) of a drug that you did not supply (dispense) or was not purchased, but free from the Washington State Department of Health (DOH), please make sure to follow these guidelines to ensure appropriate billing.

- Bill the administration through the medical benefit.
- Use the appropriate CPT code for the physical administration.
- Include the name of the drug in a claim line note of the administration line billed; do not include the HCPCS drug code or the NDC number.
- Do not bill for one cent (we previously had providers bill for one cent, $0.01, for informational purposes).
Including the NDC number when you are only administering the drug may cause a delay or error in processing the claim. In addition, submitting a HCPCS/NDC combination on any claim type (pharmacy and/or medical) results in calculated “drug units” on the encounter. This makes the encounter, or the line on the encounter, subject to federal rebates, which would constitute “double dipping” (double billing) for the cost of the drug.

Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Group (EAPG) Claims
Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Groups (EAPGs) are patient classification systems designed to explain the amount and type of resources used in an ambulatory care visit. EAPGs represent ambulatory care across all Medicaid patients.

Patients in each EAPG have similar clinical characteristics, resource use, and cost. These groups were developed to encompass the full range of ambulatory settings including same day surgery units, hospital emergency rooms, and outpatient clinics. EAPGs cannot address nursing home services, inpatient services, or miscellaneous services such as transportation.

CHPW implemented EAPG pricing methodology in November 2014.

CHPW processes Individual and Family Cascade Select outpatient claims per the provider’s contract. EAPG may not always apply.

Contact our Customer Service department if you have questions related to EAPG pricing. Refer to the “CHPW Contacts” section of this manual for phone numbers.

The Washington State Medicaid Outpatient Hospital Rates Fee-For-Service is located at https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/prior-authorization-claims-and-billing/hospital-reimbursement.

CHPW Billing and Rendering Provider Taxonomy Requirements
All clinics and providers are required to submit claims with valid, appropriate taxonomy codes for the billing provider and the rendering provider (when applicable). Refer to the Billing and Rendering Taxonomy Requirements webpage for more information: https://www.chpw.org/bulletin-board/billing-provider-taxonomy-for-chpw-plans/.

Telehealth Services (Telemedicine)
CHPW reimburses providers for telemedicine services meeting the approved telemedicine criteria.

WAHIMC and BHSO
As stated in the HCA Telemedicine Policy and Billing guide: The HCA, working with Apple Health
Medicaid managed care organizations, expanded the use of a variety of telemedicine technologies to meet the health care needs of clients, families, and providers. In the health care community, the words telehealth and telemedicine are often used interchangeably. However, for Apple Health, telemedicine is defined in a very specific way. Please refer to the HCA Telemedicine Policy and Billing guide for telemedicine criteria, claim information, and additional details:

Refer to the SERI guide for additional information about Medicaid behavioral health services: https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/program-information-providers/service-encounter-reporting-instructions-seri. Limitations apply for any provider providing telemedicine services. The provider must be operating within the scope of their license; they must be at an approved originating site, and using HIPAA compliant, interactive, real-time audio and video telecommunications (including web-based applications) or store and forward technology. The services must be covered services that are within the scope of the provider’s license. Additional limitations apply for drug monitoring.

**Medicare Advantage and D-SNP Plans**
These services must meet Original Medicare requirements for MA and D-SNP members. Refer to the following CMS resources for more information:
https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-General-Information/Telehealth/Telehealth-Codes

**Individual and Family Cascade Select Plans**
Telemedicine services include audio and video communication services between a distant site provider, the patient, and a consulting practitioner. Such services are covered if the originating site is one of the following:
- Hospital,
- Rural Health Clinic,
- Federally Qualified Health Center,
- Physician’s or other health care provider’s office,
- Community mental health center,
- Skilled Nursing Facility,
- Home or any location determine by the individual receiving the services, or
- Renal dialysis center, except an independent renal dialysis center.

Care provided by phone, fax, email, or internet, other than covered telemedicine visits, is not covered, except as required by applicable state or federal law or regulation.

**WAHIMC – Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Centers (RHCs)**

**FQHCs**
Health plans are responsible for reporting members that are assigned to an FQHC in a monthly per
member, per month (PMPM) report. Once a month, CHPW sends a report of members assigned to FQHCs to the HCA.

**RHCs**

RHCs will be paid their full encounter rate on encounter eligible claims.

**HCA will reimburse MCOs for the T1015 via service-based enhancement (SBE) through ProviderOne**, thus eliminating the need to perform an annual reconciliation. The service-based enhancement will provide MCOs with reimbursement for T1015 paid amounts on RHC encounter eligible claims. SBEs will be generated after the paid claim billed with a T1015 is submitted to ProviderOne.

To ensure correct adjudication of claims/encounters to generate the SBE, RHCs:

1. Must use billing taxonomy 261QR1300X
2. Specific Z codes cannot be billed as the primary diagnosis code for RHC claims. Please see the Z Codes as Primary Diagnosis - Denials for RHCs billing guideline for a list of Z codes that will be denied if billed as the primary diagnosis: [https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-training-and-resources/provider-billing-and-claims/](https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-training-and-resources/provider-billing-and-claims/), under the “Billing Guidelines” heading.

**Enrolling as a Medical-Assistance-Certified FQHC or RHC**

To enroll as a medical assistance provider and receive payment for services, an FQHC must do all the following:

- Receive FQHC certification for participation in the Title XVIII (Medicare) program according to 42 CFR 491. Go to [https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Federally-Qualified-Health-Centers-FQHC-Center](https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Federally-Qualified-Health-Centers-FQHC-Center) for information on Medicare provider enrollment;
- Sign a Core Provider Agreement (CPA). To obtain medical assistance certification as an FQHC, the center must contact the FQHC Program Manager directly to obtain the paperwork necessary to enroll with the Agency; and
- Operate in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local laws.

**Note:** A center must receive federal designation as a Medicare-certified FQHC before the Agency can enroll the center as a medical assistance-certified FQHC. Go to [https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Federally-Qualified-Health-Centers-FQHC-Center](https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Federally-Qualified-Health-Centers-FQHC-Center) for information on Medicare provider enrollment. When adding a new site or service, indicate on the CPA that you are an FQHC.

To obtain medical assistance certification as an RHC, the clinic must contact the RHC Program Manager directly to obtain the paperwork necessary to enroll with the HCA.
To be eligible to offer medical assistance, RHCs must have federal and medical assistance certifications.

1. Federal Certification: RHCs must be federally certified for participation as an RHC by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). DHHS or its representative notifies the HCA that it has certified or denied certification to a prospective RHC.

2. Medical Assistance Certification: A clinic certified under Medicare is considered to meet the standards for medical assistance certification.

**Note:** A clinic must receive federal designation as a Medicare-certified RHC before the Agency can enroll the clinic as a medical-assistance-certified RHC. Go to [https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Rural-Health-Clinics-Center.html](https://www.cms.gov/Center/Provider-Type/Rural-Health-Clinics-Center.html) for information on Medicare provider enrollment.

Questions related to FQHC/RHC enhancement payments can be emailed to: enhancement.questions@chpw.org.

If you have questions about enrolling as a medical-assistance-certified FQHC or RHC, overall management of the program, or specific payment rates, please contact:

FQHC/RHC Program Manager Office of Rates Development
PO Box 45510
Olympia, WA 98504-5510
Phone: (360) 725-1961
Fax: (360) 586-7498
Email: FQHCRHC@hca.wa.gov


**Coordination of Benefits (COB)**

When there's more than one payer, "coordination of benefits" rules decides who pays first. The "primary payer" pays what it owes on your bills first, and then sends the rest to the "secondary payer" to pay. In some rare cases, there may also be a third payer. What it means to pay primary/secondary:

- The insurance that pays first (primary payer) pays up to the limits of its coverage.
- The one that pays second (secondary payer) only pays if there are costs the primary insurer didn't cover.
- The secondary payer may not pay all the remaining costs.

At the time of patient registration, providers should ask patients if they have other insurance coverage. If there is another possible source of insurance identified, the provider should bill the other insurance company as the primary payer and submit an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) to CHPW as the
secondary payer.

CHPW will coordinate benefit payments with any other group plan, Medicaid plan, or Medicare plan that covers the member. In some circumstances, the member could have dual CHPW coverage with the Medicare Advantage D-SNP as primary and the WAHIMC plan as secondary. In such cases, CHPW pays as primary under the D-SNP and WAHIMC as the secondary payer.

If CHPW is not the primary insurance (payer), and the primary payer does not cover a specific service (for example, maternity), you must bill the primary payer first. When you receive the primary payer’s denial, you may then send the claim to CHPW along with the primary payer’s EOB. CHPW will then evaluate the claim for processing as the secondary payer. An EOB is not required for behavioral health services that are not covered by Medicare.

When Medicare or another governmental program of health care coverage is one of the plans, federal law determines which plan provides benefits first. WAHIMC is always the secondary payer.

For Medicare Advantage Plans, CHPW follows Medicare as Secondary Payer rules. Otherwise, the following rules determine which plan provides benefits first:

1. When both plans coordinate benefits, the plan covering the person as a subscriber provides benefits first.
2. Dependent children are covered first under the plan of the parent whose birthday is earlier in the calendar year. If the parents are divorced or separated, the following rules determine which plan pays first:
   a) Plan of the parent with custody.
   b) Plan of the spouse of the parent with custody.
   c) Plan of the parent without custody.
   d) Plan of the spouse of the parent without custody.
   e) If there is a court decree that establishes responsibility for the child’s health care, the plan of the parent with that responsibility provides benefits first.
3. If none of these rules establishes which plan provides benefits first:
   a) The plan that has covered the member the longest time provides benefits first.
   b) All other plans provide benefits first if the person is a retiree, a laid-off employee, or a dependent of a person who is retired or laid off, if the other plans include this rule.
4. If none of the above establishes the order of benefits, the plan who has covered a subscriber longer, is primary.

Individual and Family Cascade Select plans follow the same rules as listed above per WAC 284-51-205, Rules for Coordination of benefits:

CHPW will not reimburse a provider any amount greater than the amount billed.
For Medicaid, if a provider has received payment from another carrier, and that payment is equal to or greater than the CHPW rates for services rendered, the provider will not receive payment from CHPW.

**Payment for Opioid Treatment Programs Services**

CHPW would like to remind providers that **Medicare** is the primary payer for dually eligible beneficiaries who receive Opioid Treatment Programs (OTP) services.

- “Dual-eligible beneficiaries” means people enrolled in both Medicare and Medicaid.
- Medicare pays for OTP through bundled payments for opioid use disorder (OUD) treatment services.
- OUD services include toxicology testing, medication-assisted treatment (MAT), and counseling.

**Medicare**

Providers must be enrolled as an OTP provider under Medicare. Medicare allows providers to retroactively (retro) enroll back to 30 days prior to the date of the decision that the provider is qualified. The provider can then bill for dates of service (DOS) effective back to the 30 days.

HCPCS G codes are used for reimbursement by Medicare.

Please refer to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) [Opioid Use Disorder Billing and Payment](#) webpage for more information.

**Medicaid**

The Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA) has identified that code H0020 should not be billed to Medicaid if the provider is enrolled as an OTP provider with Medicare; those providers must bill Medicare as the primary payer. If the provider is enrolled as an OTP provider, claims submitted to CHPW will be denied for Medicare Explanation of Benefits (EOB). Please see the HCA [Substance Use Disorder Billing Guide](#), “Opioid Treatment Programs (Opiate Substitution Therapy)” section.

**Provider Responsibilities**

Medicare-enrolled providers should notify the HCA upon approval of Medicare enrollment.

If providers have the capacity to do so, they may complete a self-audit, review their own claims, and submit adjustments or voids after Medicare has made payment. Providers who self-audit and send a check as an adjustment should include supporting documentation indicating the claim(s) to which the check is applicable.

Providers will submit claims to CHPW (or the applicable Managed Care Organization) along with the Medicare EOB per the standard Coordination of Benefits (COB) process. This includes claims that are within the 30-day retro enrollment timeframe.

If you have questions about payment of OTP/OUD services, please contact our Customer Service Department.

**Post Payment Review (PPR)**

CHPW strives to be stewards of state and federal funding as well as taxpayer dollars. As part of our due diligence to ensure that claims are paid appropriately, we conduct post payment reviews.
Our goal in conducting PPR is to:

- Educate our provider community on appropriate billing and guidelines;
- ensure we are paying according to our contracts; and
- monitor for potential fraud, waste, and abuse (FWA).

Our PPR includes, but is not limited to:

- Medical necessity of the admission and/or procedure(s) performed
- Appropriateness of the treatment setting or length of treatment
- Patient’s status upon discharge
- All patient diagnosis-related group (AP-DRG) validation
- General quality of care delivered
- Validation of the procedure(s) and diagnosis codes submitted

CHPW requires providers/facilities provide complete/accurate records timely. Retrieval and duplication of records will be at the provider’s expense.

Medical Records for Post Payment Review
CHPW prefers that medical record documentation be sent electronically via fax, secure email, CD, or thumb drive.

Sending records electronically means we’ll receive them faster, reducing your risk of having claims denied for non-receipt of records. CHPW will eventually stop allowing paper records. We haven’t set a date yet, but when we do, we’ll let you know through our Provider Bulletin Board (https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/bulletin-board/ or https://medicare.chpw.org/provider-center/bulletin-board/) and other means.

CHPW does not check third party portals or websites for records that were requested for post payment review. Providers must notify CHPW when records are ready for retrieval from the third party vendor. Send notifications to Operations.Intake@chpw.org.

Third Party Liability (TPL) (Subrogation/Reimbursement)
CHPW benefits are available to a member who is injured or becomes ill because of a third party’s action or omission. CHPW has subrogation rights and other rights to recovery against any third party liable for the illness or injury. This means CHPW:

1. Is entitled to reimbursement from recoveries by the member from the liable third party after the member is fully compensated for their loss; and
2. Has the right to pursue claims for damages from the party liable for the injury or illness. CHPW’s rights extend to the value of benefits paid by the plan for such an injury or illness.

As a condition of receiving benefits for such an illness or injury, the member and their representatives
are responsible for cooperating fully with CHPW in recovering the amounts it has paid, including but not limited to:

- Providing information to CHPW concerning the facts of the illness or injury and the identity and address of the third party or parties who may be liable for the illness or injury, their liability insurers, and their attorneys.
- Providing reasonable advance notice to CHPW of any trial or other hearing, or any intended settlement, of a claim against any such third party.
- Repaying CHPW from the proceeds of any recovery from or on behalf of any such third party.

Provider Obligations Related to TPL

A provider is responsible for notifying CHPW when they become aware that a member has a right to reimbursement from a third party and to assist in arranging for assignment of such right to CHPW for collection.

The following information, to the extent that the provider is aware, should be reported to CHPW:
- Facts of the member's condition or injury.
- Any changes in the member's condition or injury.
- Name of any person responsible for the member's condition or injury and that person's insurance carrier.

Appeals and Disputes

Member Appeals

For a description of the grievance and appeal process, refer to the specific line of business for the patient/member’s plan information:

- Grievances and Appeals for WAHIMC can be found on the CHPW website: http://chpw.org/for-members/grievances-and-appeals/.
- Grievances and Appeals for Medicare Advantage can be found on the CHPW Medicare Advantage website: https://medicare.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/grievances-appeals/
- Grievances and Appeals for Cascade Select can be found on the Cascade Select website: https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/member-center/member-rights/grievances-appeals/.

Consent Documents

Consent form for appeals:

A member appeal may be submitted by the member, a representative acting on behalf of and with permission from the member, or a provider acting on behalf of and with written authorization from the member within the timeframe outlined in the Grievances and Appeals Guide or member EOC. When assisting a member with an appeal, providers should:

1. Review their appeal processes and rights in the Grievances and Appeals guide or the EOC for the member's specific plan.

**Definitions**

**Action:** A decision by CHPW to deny, modify, reduce, or terminate payment, coverage, authorization, or provision of health care services or benefits, including the admission to or continued stay in a facility.

**Appeal:** A request for review of an action, as defined above. A member may file an appeal due to an adverse benefit determination or action by CHPW.

**Behavioral Health Services Only (BHSO):** “Behavioral Health Services Only” refers to a member who receives behavioral health benefits “only.”

**Integrated Managed Care (WAHIMC):** “Washington Apple Health – Integrated Managed Care (WAHIMC)” refers to the program covered by this Contract, under which behavioral health services are added to the Washington Apple Health Managed Care (WAHIMC) contract.

**Provider Appeals**

Except for decisions related to DRG pricing, Fee Schedules, and member financial responsibility, a provider may appeal a CHPW decision that they believe is incorrect. Non-participating provider appeals must be in writing and submitted within ninety (90) days from the date of the notice of the denial; or initial payment of clean claim for WAHIMC members; or within sixty (60) days for Medicare members.

Participating provider appeals must be in writing and submitted within twenty-four (24) months from the date of the notice of denial or initial payment of a clean claim. Second-level appeal requests will be reviewed if new information is provided to CHPW within sixty (60) days of the first-level decision.
An appeal must include:

- Member name and member ID number
- Claim number (if applicable)
- Date of service
- All supporting documentation pertinent to the reason for denial
- Reason for requesting the appeal
- Signed authorization (if filing on behalf of a member)

To access CHPW's appeal cover sheet, go to: https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/

Providers may submit appeals to:

Community Health Plan of Washington
Attention: Appeals Department
1111 Third Avenue, Suite 400
Seattle, WA 98101
Fax: (206) 613-8984
Email: appealsgrievances@chpw.org

Utilization Management
CHPW uses referral management, prior authorization, and concurrent review to ensure appropriateness, medical need, and efficiency of health care services and procedures being provided.

Referral Management
A referral is a PCP’s written statement of intent to refer a member to specialty care or ancillary services. A PCP is not required to obtain approval for referring a member to a participating provider or non-networked specialist for WAHIMC or Medicare members. For CHPW Cascade Select members, PCPs are required to obtain referral for any service provided by a non-networked provider. CHPW must review and provide a Plan Authorized Referral when a member needs to see a PCP outside of their assigned PCP or group for all members (WAHIMC, Medicare, and Cascade Select). In addition, members in the Patient Review and Coordination (PRC) program require Plan Authorized Referrals from their PCP approving the care that member receives from other providers and specialists (WAHIMC).

Prior Authorization
Prior Authorization is the process of reviewing certain medical, surgical, and behavioral health services according to established criteria or guidelines to ensure medical necessity and
appropriateness of care are met prior to services being rendered.

Prior Authorization is required for all scheduled (planned) inpatient admissions, as well as certain predetermined services, medical pharmaceuticals, surgical, diagnostic, therapy, and imaging procedures. Lists of procedures and services requiring prior authorization is maintained separately and may change from time to time based on utilization performance. The lists are updated at least annually at a minimum based on changes in standards of medical care, new technologies, or denial rates. No authorizations are required for treatment in an emergency room. Please see also the “Emergency Room Care/Emergency Medical Condition” section of this manual.

The most current Prior Authorization lists (Medical & Surgical, Behavioral Health, and Professionally Administered Medications) may be found on our website at: https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/prior-authorization/

Prior Authorization Documents
Prior authorizations can be submitted online via the Jiva Portal: https://jiva.chpw.org.
Additionally, requests for Medicare, Medicaid, and Cascade Select members can be faxed to (206) 652-7077.

Prior Authorization Request Forms:

Prior Authorization List and Utilization Guidelines:
https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/prior-authorization/
In accordance with HCA guidelines, Neurodevelopmental Centers of Excellence (NDCOEs), as defined by the HCA and designated by the Washington State Department of Health (DOH), are exempt from prior authorization requirements for outreach, evaluation, diagnosis, treatment planning, and specialized therapy services provided to WAHIMC Members under the age of twenty (20). CHPW will conduct regular Post Payment Review (PPR) of NDCEO claims to ensure that services rendered by NDCOE are medically necessary, and otherwise consistent with applicable state and federal guidelines.
Prior Authorization Determination Timelines
CHPW strives to process authorization requests within Washington State, Federal, and National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) requirements for timeliness, and in accordance with our member’s health care needs. Periodic increases in request volume may affect turnaround times. CHPW strives to adhere to the following processing timelines:

- Medicaid: Standard prior authorization requests are processed within 5-14 calendar days. Clinically urgent requests are processed within 2-5 calendar days.
- Medicare: Standard prior authorization requests are processed within 14 calendar days. Clinically urgent requests are processed within 72 hours.
- Cascade Select: Standard prior authorization requests are processed within 5-14 calendar days. Clinically urgent requests are processed within 2-5 calendar days.

Requests are processed in the order received using clinical information submitted by the provider. Processing times for both standard and expedited requests may be delayed if sufficient information is not provided.

Determination letters are faxed directly to the requesting and servicing provider and are mailed to the member.

Clinical Practice Guidelines for Behavioral Health and Medical Conditions and Preventive Services
Community Health Plan of Washington uses guidelines for chronic diseases (including medical and behavioral health conditions) and for preventive services, as listed below. Reference is made to the pertinent evidence-based, peer-reviewed guidelines from Nationally recognized agencies. The guidelines are intended to help guide providers in their care of our members including Medicare, Apple Health, Cascade Select, and Behavioral Health Services Only members. The guidelines also ensure that the Clinical Coverage Criteria used for utilization management decisions are aligned with the current evidence-based guidelines.

All guidelines are reviewed at a minimum of once every two years. The Clinical Quality Improvement Committee (CQIC), which includes network medical and behavioral health providers and quality specialists, participates in this review, and approves any changes. Paper copies of the guidelines are available for members or providers on request, as well as at the links provided.

CHPW also participates and follows recommendations of the Bree Collaborative. Every year, the Bree Collaborative identifies health care services with high variation in the way that care is delivered, that are frequently used but do not lead to better care or patient health, or that have patient safety issues. Topics that are selected for review are reviewed by an expert workgroup to develop evidence-based recommendations. Recommendations take into account existing quality improvement programs and the work done by other organizations and are then sent to the Washington State Health Care Authority to guide the type of health care provided to Apple Health enrollees, state employees, and other
groups. Topics include behavioral health, pain management, oncology, surgery, reproductive health, and aging. Providers should review the recommendations from the Bree Collaborative to ensure that they are delivering care that follows best practices.

→ Download the current Clinical Practice Guidelines

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**Required Clinical Information**

Documentation to support medical necessity must be submitted with Prior Authorization requests. This information supports the need for the treatment and submitting detailed information on initial submission helps to ensure the request can be processed in a timely manner. Examples of appropriate documents include:

- Current history and/or physician examination notes that address the problem and need for services requested
- Relevant lab and/or radiology results
- Relevant specialty consultation notes
- Relevant medication history
- Other pertinent information to aid in decision-making process

CHPW Utilization Management staff may request specific additional clinical information via fax or telephonically to complete the authorization process.

**Clinical Decision-Making**

Utilization Management decisions to approve or deny are based on appropriateness of the care and service and whether the care or service is a covered benefit. CHPW does not offer financial incentives to encourage Utilization Management decision-makers to make decisions that result in under-using care or services.

CHPW does not reward anyone, providers or others involved in the UM process, for denying coverage or care. UM decision-making is based on appropriateness of care and service and existence of coverage. Any financial incentives for UM decision-makers do not encourage decisions that result in underutilization.

CHPW staff is available to discuss the clinical decision-making process. An appropriate peer reviewer (Medical Director, Pharmacist, or Associate Clinical Director) is available to discuss any authorization or denial by contacting the CHPW WAHIMC Customer Service Department at 1-800-440-1561, Medicare Customer Service Department at 1-800-942-0247, or Cascade Select Customer Service Department at 1-866-907-1906.
Non-covered Services and Benefits for WAHIMC Members
An WAHIMC member and/or the member’s provider may request CHPW to pay for a non-covered health care service by submitting an exception to rule (ETR) request with supporting medical records. The provider must submit documentation that the service would benefit the member’s clinical condition through cost-effective treatment and there is not an equally effective (less costly) covered service/equipment available that meets the member’s needs (WAC 182-501-0160). Members and/or providers do not have a right to a fair hearing or appeal on ETR determinations. ETR is not applicable to EPSDT members.

An ETR request can be initiated after a service has been denied. The request must be made within ninety (90) days of denial notification. Refer to https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/ for a form.

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostics, and Treatment Services (EPSDT)
EPSDT provides a comprehensive array of prevention, diagnostic, and treatment services for WAHIMC members under the age of twenty-one (21). EPSDT rules require coverage for members under age twenty-one (21) when they are medically necessary, safe, and effective; generally recognized as accepted medical practice; and not experimental or investigational. Services which are not covered for adult WAHIMC members are reviewed for medical necessity under EPSDT requirements for members under age twenty-one (21). If the service is medically necessary, then it is approved; if not, then it is denied for medical necessity, and appeal rights are provided. ETR does not apply to EPSDT members.

Limitation Extension
A WAHIMC member and/or the member’s provider may request CHPW extend coverage for additional services when available benefits are exhausted due to Medicaid benefit limits; this is called a limitation extension (LE). An LE request must be made when there is sufficient clinical evidence that continued treatment or services will result in continued improvement or that the member’s condition will worsen if the requested health care service is not extended (WAC 182-501-0169).

CHPW will accept LE requests when the benefit limit will be exhausted within one (1) week.

• Limitation Extension Request Form: https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/

In accordance with HCA guidelines, NDCOEs, as defined by the HCA and designated by DOH, are exempt from annual limitations for outreach, evaluation, diagnosis, treatment planning, and specialized therapy services provided to WAHIMC Members under the age of twenty (20). CHPW will conduct regular PPR of NDCEO claims to ensure that services rendered by NDCOEs are medically necessary, and otherwise consistent with applicable state and federal guidelines.
Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice (MOON)
Under the Notice Act, Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals (CAH) must deliver a MOON to Medicare beneficiaries (including a Medicare Advantage (MA) Member) who receives observation services as an outpatient for more than twenty-four (24) hours:

Inpatient Admission Notification
Facilities must provide notification of inpatient admissions within twenty-four (24) hours or the next business day. This allows CHPW the opportunity to assist with management and coordination of care, including appropriateness of services and discharge planning, as well as to facilitation discharges to an appropriate setting.

Member eligibility for Inpatient services may be verified through One Health Port at .
www.onehealthport.com or the CHPW Medical Management Portal at https://jiva.chpw.org/cms/ProviderPortal/Controller/providerLogin. For those organizations that do not have internet access, please contact Customer Service at 1-800-440-1561 (TTY: 711).

Inpatient Admission Documents
The Inpatient Admission Notification Form is available online at https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/

Inpatient Admission notifications for WAHIMC members may be faxed to (206) 652-7078.
Inpatient Admission notifications for Medicare Advantage members may be faxed to (206) 652-7065.
Inpatient Admission notifications for Cascade Select members may be faxed to (206) 652-7050.

Concurrent Review
During an inpatient hospitalization, the member's clinical progress is reviewed by the CHPW clinical team using clinical criteria approved by CHPW. The frequency of reviews varies according to the member's clinical course. Reviews are completed using records submitted to CHPW via the Medical Management Portal, fax, and/or telephonic review.

Post-Service or Retrospective Review
These are requests for an initial review of services after services have been provided to a member. Failure to obtain authorization when required will result in denial for those services. Only possible exceptions to accept these requests are due to extenuating circumstances (i.e., member eligibility issue, member was granted retroactive enrollment, services authorized by another payor who
subsequently determined that the member was not eligible at the time of service, or member was unconscious at presentation).

Coverage decisions will be based on the medical necessity and appropriateness of care or service as defined by clinical criteria used in making determination of service. Decision will be made within thirty (30) calendar days following receipt of request.

**Discharge Planning Coordination**
Discharge planning needs are identified through the inpatient admission and concurrent review process or by referral from someone on the member's care team. The extent of the UM reviewer’s direct role in planning and arranging post discharge care varies with the member's needs and includes a collaborative approach with the hospital staff, care team, member and family, and community resources, as appropriate.

**Emergency Room Care/Emergency Medical Condition**
No referrals or authorizations are required for treatment in an Emergency Room. An emergency medical condition is a condition that manifests itself by acute symptoms of sufficient severity (i.e., severe pain) that a prudent layperson who possesses an average knowledge of health and medicine could reasonably expect the absence of immediate medical attention to result in any of the following:

- Placing the health of the patient, or with respect to a pregnant woman (the health of the woman or the unborn child), in jeopardy;
- Serious impairment of bodily functions; or
- Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part Clinical Care Management Criteria.

**Criteria Used in Determining Authorization for Service**
- **For WAHIMC and Cascade Select members**, CHPW first reviews clinical criteria established by the Health Technology Assessment Program of the HCA (WAC 182 55 055). To assure that coverage determinations meet HCA clinical criteria for coverage, reviewers next consult CHPW’s Clinical Coverage Criteria (CCCs). Where HCA specific guidance is not available, reviewers then rely on the nationally recognized MCG Guidelines as the primary source for evidence-based recommendation for clinical coverage.

- **For Medicare members**, CHPW utilizes the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) National Coverage Determinations (NCDs) and Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs), if available. NCDs and LCDs are available through Noridian, Washington’s Medicare Fee-for-Service Contractor, or they are accessible on the CMS website. If CMS criteria are not available, then MCG and/or CHPW’s Clinical Coverage Criteria (CCC) are used.
• **Behavioral Health**: for Substance Use Disorder or Mental Health determinations, CHPW utilizes American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM), Level of Care Utilization System (LOCUS), and Child and Adolescent Level of Care Utilization System (CALOCUS) criteria to determine medical necessity.

Cases that cannot be approved using the designated criteria are sent to CHPW Medical Directors for determination of medical necessity. Our Medical Directors assure that requests for care are consistent with accepted current evidence-based community medical practice. When appropriate, cases may be sent for pertinent specialty or sub-specialty medical review prior to a clinical coverage decision being made.

All Clinical Criteria are available online for review on our Prior Authorization webpage under the section “How CHPW Determines Prior Authorization”: [https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/prior-authorization/](https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/prior-authorization/)

In addition, all criteria can be requested by contacting the Medicaid Customer Service team at 1-800-440-1561, or the Medicare Customer Service Team at 1-800-942-0247.

**Administrative Days**  
Administrative Days (applicable for WAHIMC members) are requested as a separate authorization request from inpatient acute hospital or post-acute care setting (e.g., inpatient rehabilitation, Long Term Acute Care, or inpatient or residential behavioral health level of care) is no longer medically necessary or appropriate, and non-hospital placement is not readily available or is awaiting placement into a lower level of care or home.

The Administrative Days must be billed on a separate claim with the following Revenue Codes:
  - For acute inpatient stays use revenue code 0191
  - For inpatient rehab, long term acute care or inpatient psych facilities use revenue code 0169

**Peer To Peer Process**  
To avoid appealing an adverse benefit determination, the requesting provider has an option to request a peer-to-peer consult with a medical director when there is additional information or context not provided in the clinical information that may result in an approval. The request must be made within 10 calendar days from the adverse benefit determination. To schedule a Peer to Peer, call Customer Service Department at 1-800-440-1561 (TTY: 711).

If the peer-to-peer results in an approval, the requesting provider and member will receive an approval letter of the service that was overturned. If the peer-to-peer result remains a denial, no new letter will be sent out to member and provider.
Care Management
Care Management at CHPW is a comprehensive method of member assessment and support. The goal is to provide a systematic approach to managing the member’s health care needs, which may include member advocacy, coordination of care, and support of the member-provider relationship.

The Care Management Team consists of clinical and non-clinical staff in the following areas:

- Case Management
- Difficult to Discharge
- Jail Transitions of Care
- Community Supports
- Health Home
- Health Coaching
- Patient Review and Coordination (PRC)
- Maternal Child Health

Providers contracted with CHPW are expected to cooperate and communicate freely with CHPW regarding quality issues and notify us of any member’s medical or behavioral health condition or special health care needs that may benefit from case management in accordance with the conditions of the member’s benefit plans and this Provider Manual.

Case Management
Case Management is a collaborative process that addresses individual health care needs. It is a free-of-charge program for those members who meet criteria and choose to participate. CHPW provides case management services to members, in collaboration with the member’s health care delivery team to coordinate the highest quality and most efficient health care.

Case Management is personalized to meet the needs of the member. Case Management involves the coordination of services to identify alternative options and to educate members about resources available to them. A Case Manager’s role can include, but is not limited to:

- Locating providers,
- Being a health advocate, and
- Supporting members in understanding benefits, identifying community resources, coordination of information and services with medical team, and providing education materials and information.

A Case Manager works with the member and providers to optimize the member’s ability to access care and ensures services are used efficiently. Case Managers empower the member to improve self-management of their health, provide education, and serve as a member advocate.

For members meeting criteria for complex case management, the Case Managers will develop and
implement individualized care plans working in collaboration with the member and the member’s providers.

Case Management may be an appropriate service for members with:

- Complex or chronic care needs
- Needs that are beyond the available clinic resources
- Multiple conditions that require coordination with several specialty providers

Members can be referred to Case Management by:

- Medical Management program referral
- Discharge Planner referral
- Member or caregiver referral
- Practitioner referral

For more information, or to make a referral to Case Management, call the CHPW WAHIMC Customer Service team at 1-800-440-1561 (TTY: 711), or the Medicare Customer Service Team at 1-800-942-0247 (TTY: 711). You may also refer online by using the Case Management Referral Form at https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/.

For more information on Care Management, please see the Care Management section of the CHPW webpage at www.chpw.org.

**WAHIMC Individuals with Special Health Care Needs (ISHCN)**

CHPW provides outreach to members new to the plan. A screening tool is utilized to identify members who self-identify as having special health care needs. ISHCN members who agree to participate in Care Management are supported by our clinical team, which develops care coordination goals and interventions in the form of a care plan. The Care Plan and screening results are developed and shared with the member’s PCP to facilitate care coordination. The documents are intended to support the member’s care coordination and become part of the medical record, with the PCP.

**Continuity and Transition of Care**

From time to time, member benefits may be transferred from one plan or PCP to another or expire during a course of treatment through termination of the contract, disenrollment, or exhaustion of available benefits. At these times, CHPW promotes smooth and seamless continuity and transition of medically necessary care and integration of services with no interruption to the member’s care or prescription medications, while striving to preserve the relationship between members and providers throughout the process. If appropriate, CHPW notifies members, either by mail or phone, about alternatives and resources for continuing care and assists them in understanding how to
access those services or can facilitate helping them to obtain the services.

The Care and Utilization Management departments work with members directly, and/or by facilitating care coordination efforts by providers to assist in the continuity of and transition to care. They will contact community agencies or make referrals to public assistance as appropriate and authorized by the member. They are also available to assist providers to coordinate appropriate services and programs available to members from such resources as:

- Case Managers
- First Steps Maternity Support Services/Infant Case Management
- Transportation and Interpreter Services
- Patient Review and Coordination (PRC) program, for members who meet the criteria identified in WAC 182-501-0135
- Dental services
- Foster Care – Fostering Well-Being
- Health Homes
- Behavioral Health providers for mental health services
- Substance Use Disorder services
- Aging and Disability Services, including home and community-based services
- Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and community based residential programs
- Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT)
- Department of Health and Local Health Jurisdiction services, including Title V services for Children with special health care needs

**MAD-SNP**

Under the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA), Congress created a new type of Medicare Advantage coordinated Care Plan focused on individuals with special needs. SNPs were allowed to target enrollment to one or more types of special needs individuals identified by Congress as: 1) institutionalized; 2) dually eligible (DE); and/or 3) individuals with severe or disabling chronic conditions. CHPW’s D-SNP plan is a Dually Eligible plan.

- D-SNPs must have a Model of Care. This is CHPW’s document delineating how it will deliver the specialized services and benefits to our D-SNP members.
- An initial and yearly comprehensive Health Risk Assessment (HRA) of the member is also required.
- Ensure that members have at least one annual Face-to-Face encounter with a provider.
- The Case Manager must gather information, as available, from the member, the member’s caregivers, and the member’s physical and behavioral health care team(s).
- The information is to be reviewed by an Interdisciplinary Care Team (ICT) that develops a Care
Plan specifically tailored to each D-SNP member.

- Coordinated Care must be provided through transitions from Hospital to SNF to Home.
- To monitor the effectiveness and improve the Care Plan and outcomes to D-SNP members.

For more information, call the CHPW Washington Medicare Customer Service Team at 1-800-942-0247 or the D-SNP Case Management Department at 1-866-418-7005, or by fax at 206-652-7088.

**Transitions of Care (TOC) Programs**

Transition of Care (TOC) coordination services is an integral part of CHPW’s Care and Utilization Management Program. The TOC program coordinates care and services as members transition between care settings. TOC services, when successful, reduce the fragmentation in the delivery of medical, behavioral, and social services. It can also enhance coordination among providers and community-based services to improve access and improve overall health care services to members. The goal is to reduce the utilization of unnecessary emergency services and increase the utilization of preventative services.

CHPW’s TOC program promotes the safe and timely transition between care settings for our members with complex health and social service needs who are particularly vulnerable to breakdowns in care and thus most likely to readmit or seek emergency services. Care settings include hospitals, mental health facilities, substance use treatment, SNFs, long-term care and rehabilitation facilities, and corrections facilities. TOC services ensure that necessary care, services, and supports are in place for the member once discharged or transitioning from one care setting to the next. Services offered by the TOC team include discharge planning, coordination of post-discharge care and services, medication consultations, and follow-up calls. CHPW’s TOC team engages members, families, and caregivers in the discharge process to ensure goals are realistic and attainable.

The TOC program will focus on four (4) initial categories of transition of care that are especially vulnerable to gaps in care:

- Post-facility discharge
- Correctional facility (incarceration and/or release)
- Difficult hospital discharge
- Behavioral Health Post-Facility discharge
- Difficult Behavioral Health discharge

The TOC program works in coordination with other CHPW departments, including Utilization Management, Case Management, and Community Supports, to ensure a team-based approach that coordinates care for members without duplication of effort.

**Community Supports**
Social drivers of health (SDoH) are conditions in the environments in which people are born, live, learn, work, play, and age that affect a wide range of health, functioning, and quality-of-life outcomes and risks. The Community Supports team addresses the social needs of members by creating and/or supporting sustainable, effective linkages to clinical care and social services.

Community Supports coordinates care and links members to community-based resources and health care services, including behavioral health, oral health, and other specialty care.

Community Supports staff ensure that health care providers are connected, work together on an integrated service plan, and coordinate with involved community resource organizations engaged with the member to ensure the delivery of quality health care and social support services.

Community Supports may be an appropriate service for members requiring short term care coordination and:

- Members with housing or transportation needs
- Members with food or caregiving needs
- Members with employment or education needs
- Members who would benefit from behavioral health recovery journey support

For more information, call the CHPW Community Supports team at 1-866-418-7006 (TTY: 711).

**Health Coaching**
The Health Coaching Program identifies members with chronic conditions and engages the members in a dialogue that encourages a self-management approach to the member’s condition and strengthens the patient/provider therapeutic relationship. Health Coaching provides members with current best practices and evidence-based educational materials, and utilizes Clinical Health Coaches to work with the members on achieving healthy, holistic goals.

CHPW identifies chronic care conditions that are relevant to and address the needs of its member population, such as diabetes, CHF, asthma, and COPD. The objectives of the Health Coaching Program are to:

- Improve member-reported adherence to self-monitoring activities, medications, and provider visits;
- reduce hospitalization rate and ER visits for members with Health Coaching Program diagnosis-related admissions;
- provide education and information to members that will increase awareness and knowledge of their illness and help them better manage symptoms;
- ensure that members and providers are satisfied with program elements; and
- improve HEDIS scores, demonstrating use of appropriate chronic condition medication
Medicaid Health Home Program
The Health Home program offers additional care coordination services to eligible Medicaid members with chronic conditions. Medicaid members engaged in the Health Home Program and then transition to a D-SNP Plan can continue to participate in this program. The goal is to make things easier for members with complex needs by increasing coordination between health and social service providers.

Health Home services include:
- Comprehensive care management
- Care coordination
- Health promotion
- Transitional care
- Individual and family supports
- Referrals to community and social support services

Note: As of April 1, 2017, the Health Home program is available statewide for eligible individuals.

If you have questions regarding specific Health Home claims payment status or remittance advice, contact CHPW’s Claims Investigation Unit at cs.claimsdistribution@chpw.org.

How It Works
Members enrolled in the Health Home program work with a Care Coordinator who is specifically trained to assess the needs and goals of those they are working with. The Care Coordinator can help members with followup care and increase communication between the different medical and social service providers to create comprehensive care around the member.
Care Coordinators are affiliated with CHPW and work in the community. Many are located in Community Health Clinics (CHCs), while others in local community-based organizations (including Area Agencies on Aging, behavioral health, and general social service providers).

Health Home care coordination services do not replace or change any of the benefits currently received as a Medicaid member. They do not cost extra. These services are there to support members in managing their health goals. This should ultimately result in fewer hospital stays, fewer emergency room visits, and a greater number of primary and specialty care visits.

Eligibility
Health Home services are available for eligible individuals with Medicaid or fee-for-service dual
coverage with Medicaid and Medicare. Eligible individuals have high service needs and complex chronic conditions like asthma, diabetes, cancer, and depression.

The State determines eligibility and identifies those individuals for CHPW. Those members are then assigned to local Care Coordination Organizations (CCOs) to provide direct services according to the member’s needs. When members become eligible, they will receive a letter and will be contacted by a local Care Coordinator. Once eligible, members may opt in and out of the program at any time.

If you believe a CHPW member could benefit from the Health Home program, check for eligibility with the CHPW Customer Service Department.

**Clinical Eligibility Tool**
If your patient is not already eligible, there is a Clinical Eligibility Tool that can be used to refer individuals to the State for Health Home consideration. For CHPW members, you can submit this form via secure email to healthhomes@chpw.org.

The Clinical Eligibility Tool can be found on the HCA Health Home website at: https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/programs-and-services/health-home-resources#clinical-eligibility-tool

**Questions**
If you have questions about eligibility, call CHPW Customer Service at 1-800-440-1561 (TTY: 711), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For other questions about the program, you can also email CHPW’s Health Home mailbox at healthhomes@chpw.org.

If you have questions regarding specific Health Home claims payment status or remittance advice, contact CHPW’s Claims Investigation Unit at cs.claimsdistribution@chpw.org.

**Partnership with Washington State Hospital Association (WSHA) for Transitional Care Training:**
Care coordination and follow-up after hospitalization is one of the key Health Home services in reducing costs and assuring a safe and effective hospital discharge. Current research shows that around twenty (20) percent of patients in the U.S. are re-hospitalized within thirty (30) days of discharge, and many researchers believe that this percentage is even higher for Medicaid patients. CHPW partners with WSHA and other organizations to support implementation of WSHA’s Care Transitions toolkit: http://wsha.wpengine.com/wp-content/uploads/WSHACareTransToolkit.pdf to reduce readmissions through effective transitional care. WSHA offers tools for both hospitals and PCPs, many of which are being used in Washington State’s health homes strategies.
The Mental Health Integration Program (MHIP)
The Mental Health Integration Program (MHIP) is a state-wide, patient-centered, integrated program serving CHPW Medicaid, Medicare, and Cascade Select Members with medical, mental health, and substance abuse needs. The program focuses on treating common, mild-to-moderate mental health disorders in a primary care setting with the Collaborative Care Model (CoCM) of care, a model endorsed by the Healthcare Authority and Bree Collaborative. This model is evidence- and outcome-based and incorporates the use of a clinical registry and regular psychiatric case consultation to support high quality mental health screening and treatment to target. Primary care clinic-based mental health professionals called ‘behavioral health care managers’ support the PCP in care of the member by providing brief interventions and care coordination to members in consultation with a psychiatric provider. This team-based approach to behavioral health care helps to achieve improvements in whole-person health and well-being.

Washington Partnership Access Line (PAL):
The Partnership Access Line (PAL) supports PCPs (doctors, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants) with questions about mental health care such as diagnostic clarification, medication adjustment, or treatment planning. Our child and adolescent psychiatrists are available to consult during business hours.

PAL has a master’s-level social worker available to assist with finding mental health resources for your patients. PAL is also partnered with Washington’s Mental Health Referral Service for Children and Teens, where families can speak directly with a referral specialist.

The PAL consultation program is funded by Washington’s HCA and is available to providers caring for any patient in Washington, regardless of insurance type. Washington providers may call 1-866-599-7257 (TTY: 711), Monday–Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific Time, to be directly connected to a PAL child and adolescent psychiatrist. For more information, please visit the PAL website https://www.seattlechildrens.org/healthcare-professionals/access-services/partnership-access-line/

Additional provider psychiatric consultation lines are also provided by the University of Washington for adult Washington residents. These lines include the Perinatal Mental Health Consultation Line for Providers (PAL for Moms) at 1-877-725-4666 and Psychiatric Consultation Line (PCL) at 1-877-927-7924 for adults.

Patient Review and Coordination Program
The Patient Review and Coordination Program (PRC) is for WAHIMC members only. It is an HCA-mandated CHPW program designed to control overutilization and inappropriate use of medical services by members. This program allows restriction of members to certain providers, including
PCPs, pharmacies, and hospitals.

PRC focuses on the health and safety of these members, who are often seen by several different prescribers, have a high number of duplicate medications, use several different pharmacies, and have high emergency room usage. Based on clinical and utilization findings, members are placed in PRC for at least two (2) years. All members in the PRC program are assigned to a case manager for care coordination services.

**The Role of the PRC Case Manager in PRC**
The PRC Case Manager coordinates care for members in the PRC Program. The Program includes a comprehensive assessment of needs, creating an Individualized Care Plan, and collaboration with the member’s medical team to ensure appropriate utilization of services to meet the members physical/behavioral health care needs. PRC Case Managers provide a member health education and connect the member to community resources.

**The Role of the PCP in PRC**
The PCP plays a key role in managing the member’s health care. When a member is restricted, the member's PCP must approve any care that member receives from other providers or specialists, which may include prescriptions for scheduled drugs (CII–CIV).

A major focus of PRC is to educate the member about:
- Appropriate use of services
- Relevance of office visits
- Accessing resources in the community and within HCA
- The importance of maintaining one provider to manage and monitor one’s health care

**PRC Documents**
PRC policy can be found online at: https://www.chpw.org/provider-center/forms-and-tools/policies/

**The Role of the Pharmacy in PRC**
The primary pharmacy is a key player in managing the member’s prescriptions. The Pharmacist will be able to alert the member’s PCP, the CHPW PRC staff, or the HCA PRC staff of misuse or potential problems with the member’s prescriptions. All pharmacy policies remain in effect. If the member goes to a non-assigned pharmacy for scheduled drugs (CII–CIV), the claim will be rejected.

**The Role of the Hospital in PRC**
The hospital, particularly the emergency room staff, is a key player in assisting the member’s PCP to more effectively manage the member’s care to avoid unnecessary and costly services, especially emergency room services. By being aware of the member’s restriction, the hospital can assist in the
coordination of care by referring the member back to their PCP and/or pharmacy, whether treatment is provided or not. We welcome referrals of members who may benefit from the PRC program. Please contact us at:

Patient Review and Coordination Program (PRC)
Community Health Plan of Washington
1111 Third Avenue, Suite 400
Seattle, WA 98101
Phone: 1-866-907-1902 (TTY: 711)

Members may self-refer to the PRC by calling the CHPW PRC staff: 1-866-907-1902 (TTY: 711), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Voicemail may be left after hours.

**Pharmacy**

**Medicare Opioid Overutilization Program (MOOP)**
The Medicare Opioid Overutilization Program (MOOP) is for Medicare members only. It is a CMS-mandated CHPW program designed to monitor members for opioid, benzodiazepine, or acetaminophen overutilization in the Medicare Part D program. If necessary, the program allows restriction of a specific drug, class of drug, and/or lock-in to certain providers, including PCPs and pharmacies.

**The Role of the PCP in MOOP**
The PCP plays a key role in managing the member’s health care. When a member is restricted, the PCP must provide alternative treatments, case management, or pain management.

**MOOP Documents**
The MOOP Policy can be found online at [https://medicare.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/](https://medicare.chpw.org/provider-center/provider-resources/).

We welcome referrals of members who may benefit from this program. Please contact us at:

Medicare Opioid Overutilization Program
Community Health Plan of Washington
1111 Third Avenue, Suite 400
Seattle, WA 98101
Phone: 1 (800) 942-0247

Medicare members may self-refer by calling the MOOP Staff at 1-800-942-0247 (TTY: 711), Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**Second Opinion Network**
“Second Opinion Network (SON)” refers to an organization consisting of an agency recognized as experts in the field of child psychiatry (Seattle Children’s Hospital) contracted with the HCA to perform peer-to-peer medication reviews with health care providers when psychotropic medications or medication regimens for children under eighteen (18) years of age exceed the medications review thresholds established for the HCA Medicaid mental health benefit.

**SON Review Process**

CHPW conducts reviews of pharmacy records of minors receiving psychotropic medications. Requests for chart notes are communicated to providers in circumstances that medication review thresholds are exceeded. Chart notes are sent to the HCA for review. Peer-to-peer medication reviews are scheduled and conducted between health care providers and child psychiatrists at Seattle Children’s Hospital and a comprehensive care plan is developed.

Recommendations included in the care plan are forwarded to CHPW for documentation and implementation in the pharmacy claims adjudication system.

The HCA provides access to consultation with a child psychiatrist through the Partnership Access Line (PAL) which may replace the need for a SON Review. The Partnership Access Line (PAL) supports PCPs (doctors, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants) with questions about mental health care such as diagnostic clarification, medication adjustment or treatment planning. Child and adolescent psychiatrists at Seattle Children’s Hospital are available to consult during business hours, Monday-Friday, 8am to 5pm at 1-866-599-7257.

**Review Recommendations**

SON reviews include both psychotropic medications and their dosing, as well as non-medication recommendations, such as: ABA therapy, IEP, sleep therapy, parent management training, trauma-focused CBT, behavior management training, social skills for ADHD, wraparound team, etc.

**Payment**

Payment to the SON provider is the responsibility of the HCA according to the provisions of HCA’s contract with the SON provider.

CHPW is responsible for payment to the prescribing practitioner for time spent engaging in medication review process with the SON.

**For more information and specific medication review thresholds**

Pharmacy Management

Drug Formulary and Medication Utilization WAHIMC
The CHPW drug formulary is developed by a Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. For medications included in the Apple Health Preferred Drug List, formulary status and coverage criteria are developed and approved by the WA HCA Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee before adoption by CHPW. All other medications’ formulary status and coverage criteria are developed and approved by the CHPW Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. The formulary is searchable on the website at https://www.chpw.org/member-center/member-resources/plan-and-coverage/prescription-drug-benefits/. For more information on the WAHIMC Preferred Drug List, please visit: https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/programs-and-services/apple-health-preferred-drug-list-pdl.

For all CHPW members, submit prior authorization, step therapy, and non-formulary medication requests as well as requests for quantity overrides for review to CHPW’s Pharmacy Benefit Manager, Express Scripts.

CHPW MA Drug Formulary
The CHPW Medicare Advantage Drug Formulary is developed by the Express Scripts (ESI) Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee. The formulary is available on the CHPW Medicare Advantage website: https://medicare.chpw.org/member-center/medicare-plan-benefits/prescription-drugs/. For all CHPW Medicare Advantage Part D beneficiaries, submit prior authorization, step therapy, and non-formulary medication requests, as well as requests for quantity overrides for review to Express Scripts. All standard requests will be resolved by Express Scripts within 72 hours if all required information is provided; all urgent requests will be resolved in 24 hours if all required information is provided.
Note: ESI requires a CHPW Medicare Advantage beneficiary number to process requests. You may obtain a member number from CHPW Medicare Advantage Customer Service at 1-800-942-0247 (TTY: 711).

Notification Regarding Formulary Changes: For updates regarding periodic changes to the formulary and other pharmaceutical management programs, please see the member Prescription Drug Coverage web page at https://medicare.chpw.org/member-center/medicare-plan-benefits/prescription-drugs/.

WAHIMC Prior Authorization
To request a prior authorization, step therapy, non-formulary, or quantity limit override, please call Express Scripts at 1-844-605-8168 (Toll Free), 24/7, and speak to a Prior Authorization Service Specialist. This Specialist will review medical information and criteria with the provider or designee.
regarding the need for the requested drug.

If the drug is denied by Express Scripts, providers may appeal the decision by sending a letter and clinical documentation, including the date and reason for the denial given by Express Scripts, to:

Community Health Plan of Washington  
Attn: Appeals Department  
1111 Third Avenue, Suite 400  
Seattle, WA 98101  
Fax: (206) 613-8983 (urgent)  
Fax: (206) 613-8984 (standard)

Expedited appeals are reserved for emergency situations only; call 1-800-440-1561.

CHPW MA Prior Authorization
To request a prior authorization, step therapy, non-formulary, or quantity limit override, please call Express Scripts at 1-800-605-8168, 24/7, and speak to a Prior Authorization Service Specialist. The Specialist will review medical information and criteria with the provider or designee regarding the need for the requested drug.

If the drug is denied by Express Scripts, providers may appeal the decision by sending a letter and clinical documentation, including the date and reason for the denial given by Express Scripts, to:

Community Health Plan of Washington  
Attn: Community Health Plan of Washington Medicare Advantage Appeals  
1111 Third Avenue, Suite 400  
Seattle, WA 98101  
Fax: (206) 613-8983 (urgent)  
Fax: (206) 613-8984 (standard)

Note: Expedited appeals are available for emergent situations, call 1-800-942-0247.

Pharmacy Benefit Exclusion WAHIMC
Certain medications are excluded: These include:

- Non-FDA approved drug products
- Experimental and investigational (E & I) drugs
- Compounded drugs with non-FDA approved ingredients
- Drugs for weight loss or appetite suppression
- Drugs for impotence or sexual dysfunction
- Drugs to treat cosmetic conditions
- Infertility drugs
- Drugs both prescription and over the counter (OTC) as specified per Washington State HCA
- Drugs from a manufacturer without a Federal Rebate Agreement
CHPW MA Excluded Benefits
Certain medications are not covered by Part D. These include:

- Drugs for anorexia, weight loss, or weight gain
- Drugs used to promote fertility
- Drugs used for cosmetic purposes or for hair growth
- Drugs used for symptomatic relief of cough and colds
- Drugs for erectile dysfunction
- Prescription vitamins and mineral products, except prenatal vitamins and fluoride preparation products
- Non-prescription or over-the-counter (OTC) drugs
- Drugs for which the manufacturer seeks to require, as a condition of purchase, that associated test and monitoring services be purchased exclusively from the manufacturer or its designee
- Drugs from a manufacturer without a Federal Rebate Agreement
- Non-FDA approved drug products

CHPW Individual and Family Cascade Select
The CHPW Cascade Select formulary is developed by the Express Scripts Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. The formulary is available on the Individual and Family Cascade Select site: https://individualandfamily.chpw.org/member-center/member-resources/prescription-drug-coverage/

To request a prior authorization, step therapy, non-formulary, or quantity limit override, please call Express Scripts at 1-800-753-2851, 24/7, and speak to a Prior Authorization Service Specialist. The Specialist will review medical information and criteria with the provider or designee regarding the need for the requested drug.

If the drug is denied by Express Scripts, providers may appeal the decision by sending a letter and clinical documentation, including the date and reason for the denial given by Express Scripts, to:

Community Health Plan of Washington
1111 Third Avenue, Suite 400
Seattle, WA 98101
Fax: (206) 613-8983 (urgent)
Fax: (206) 613-8984 (standard)
Expedited appeals are available for emergent situations. Please call 1-866-907-1906.

Quality Improvement Program (QIP)

Program Overview
The Quality Improvement Program (QIP) is designed to objectively monitor, systematically evaluate, and effectively improve the health, care, and experience of those being served. The QIP aims to respect the member in a holistic manner and respond to each member’s health needs and preferences by adhering to the National Committee for Quality Assurance’s (NCQA) Health Plan Accreditation (HPA) and Health Equity Accreditation (HEA) Standards and the Office of Minority Health’s Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) Standards. The QIP has three focus areas of Quality of Clinical Care, Safety of Clinical Care, and Quality of Service and Experience. Nearly every program and function at CHPW is essential to achieving the overarching goals of the QIP to improve quality and experience, advance health equity, and eliminate health care disparities.

The achievement of goals and objectives is primarily accomplished through the QIP governance structure, quality improvement activities, and initiatives described.

**Program Scope**
The scope of CHPW’s QIP includes all CHPW LOBs (WAHIMC, BHSO, Medicare Advantage/D-SNP, and Cascade Select plans). Quality performance oversight is not a function that is delegated to any other organization.

The Board of Directors has ultimate responsibility for quality of care, and reviews and approves CHPW’s QIP annually. Direct oversight of the QIP activities is delegated to CHPW’s Plan Quality Council. CHPW’s Quality and Population Health Department manages CHPW’s QIP and oversees activities undertaken by CHPW and affiliated providers to achieve the program goals.

The annual delegation of authority from the Board of Directors allows the QIP to fulfill its goals and objectives while effectively using resources. Special consideration is given to populations at higher risk to reduce health disparities and advance health equity. Health promotion, health management, and patient safety activities are also an integral part of the QIP and are specialized according to regulatory requirements, population needs, and delivery models. The QIP is integrated into the activities of CHPW. This includes, but is not limited to, interactions with affiliated providers, as well as departments within CHPW delivering on projects essential to the QIP’s success.

**Program Structure**
CHPW supports the QIP by providing a governance structure over Plan activities that improve health, care, and member experience. The Plan Quality Council has delegated authority from the CHPW Board of Directors annually to execute the QIP. The CHPW committees provide review of key plan activities, such as service use by members, prescription formulary, provider credentialing and peer review, complaint review, network adequacy, and behavioral health. The CHPW structures pertaining to the QIP are shown in
For more information about the QIP, please visit:
https://www.chpw.org/member-center/member-resources/quality-improvement/