

Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid, Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program

To: End-Stage Renal Disease Service Providers, Hospital Providers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Provider Enrollment Policy for End-Stage Renal Disease Services

This *ForwardHealth Update* outlines the enrollment (formerly referred to as certification) requirement for providers for renal disease-related services provided to members diagnosed with end-stage renal disease.

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With the exception of a limited number of emergency dialysis treatments, effective for dates of service (DOS) on and after October 1, 2012, hospital providers are required to be separately enrolled (formerly referred to as being separately certified) as a Medicaid End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) service provider with a specialty of “hospital affiliated” to receive reimbursement for renal disease-related services provided to a member enrolled in BadgerCare Plus or Medicaid.

Similarly, with the exception of a limited number of emergency dialysis treatments, effective for DOS on and after October 1, 2012, hospital providers are required to be separately enrolled as a Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program (WCDP) ESRD service provider with a specialty of “hospital affiliated” to receive reimbursement for renal disease-related services provided to a WCDP-enrolled member who has been diagnosed with ESRD.

Hospitals submitting claims under their hospital enrollment (not under ESRD provider enrollment) may receive reimbursement for providing up to three emergency dialysis treatments for a member, per calendar year. Claims received

for renal-related services beyond this limit will be denied. These dialysis treatments are meant for emergency services only and not for a member with chronic renal failure.

Medicaid-Enrolled Providers

Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus cover renal disease-related services provided to a member diagnosed with ESRD who is enrolled in Medicaid or BadgerCare Plus. Providers enrolled in Wisconsin Medicaid as ESRD providers are eligible for reimbursement for renal disease-related services provided to members diagnosed with ESRD who are enrolled in Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus.

Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program-Enrolled Providers

Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program covers renal disease-related services provided to an enrolled member diagnosed with ESRD. Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program ESRD providers are eligible for reimbursement for renal disease-related services provided to a member enrolled in this program.

Obtaining Medicaid and Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program Enrollment

Providers may request both Medicaid enrollment and WCDP enrollment; however, providers are required to obtain Medicaid enrollment as an ESRD services provider prior to requesting WCDP ESRD enrollment. Providers may apply to be Medicaid enrolled via the online provider enrollment application on the new Provider Enrollment Information

home page of the ForwardHealth Portal. Enrollment information for WCDP is available on the new Portal page; however, requests for WCDP enrollment must be initiated by contacting Provider Services at (800) 947-9627.

Claim Submission

With the exception of a limited number of emergency dialysis treatments, when providing renal disease-related services within a hospital (e.g., internal dialysis unit) to a member diagnosed with ESRD, providers are required to submit their claim using the National Provider Identifier (NPI), ZIP+4 code, and taxonomy code linked to their ESRD enrollment. Providers are reminded to submit the claim to the appropriate payer (i.e., Medicaid or WCDP) based on the member's enrollment.

When providing up to three emergency dialysis treatments for a member per calendar year, hospital providers may submit their claim using their NPI, ZIP+4 code, and taxonomy code linked to their hospital enrollment.

End-stage renal disease service providers are required to follow ESRD billing instructions, policies, and procedures in the ESRD service area of the BadgerCare Plus and Medicaid program of the Online Handbook when providing renal disease-related services to a member enrolled in Medicaid or BadgerCare Plus. For members enrolled in WCDP, providers are required to follow program information in the ESRD service area of the WCDP — Chronic Renal Disease program of the Online Handbook.

For ESRD reimbursement information, providers may refer to the Reimbursement for End-Stage Renal Disease Services

topic (topic #4507) of the Amounts chapter of the Reimbursement section of the End-Stage Renal Disease service area of both the BadgerCare Plus and Medicaid and the WCDP — Chronic Renal Disease programs of the Online Handbook.

Information Regarding Managed Care Organizations

This *ForwardHealth Update* contains fee-for-service policy and applies to services members receive on a fee-for-service basis only. For managed care policy, contact the appropriate managed care organization. Managed care organizations are required to provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service arrangements.

The *ForwardHealth Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, SeniorCare, and Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program are administered by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability, Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS). The Wisconsin Well Woman Program is administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

For questions, call Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or visit our Web site at www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/.

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