

Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid, WCDP-Adult Cystic Fibrosis, WCDP-Chronic Renal Disease
To: Hospital Providers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Upcoming Trainings for the All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Group System

ForwardHealth will be offering provider trainings on the upcoming All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Group (APR DRG) classification system. ForwardHealth will be implementing the APR DRG classification system for the pricing of inpatient hospital fee-for-service claims, Medicare crossover claims, and HMO encounters with dates of discharge or "To" dates of service (DOS) on and after January 1, 2017.

Upcoming Trainings

In October 2016, ForwardHealth will be offering provider training sessions on the All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Group (APR DRG) classification system. ForwardHealth will implement the APR DRG classification system for the pricing of inpatient hospital fee-for-service claims, Medicare crossover claims, and HMO encounters with dates of discharge or "To" dates of service (DOS) on and after January 1, 2017. The implementation will impact the reimbursement of inpatient hospital services provided to members enrolled in Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program (WCDP) Adult Cystic Fibrosis, and WCDP Chronic Renal Disease. Inpatient hospital providers, financial and billing staff, and billing vendors are encouraged to participate in these training sessions.

As a reminder, the implementation of APR DRG will also impact the pricing for HMO encounters for members enrolled in Wisconsin Medicaid or BadgerCare Plus. The training sessions listed in this *ForwardHealth Update* will be

applicable to fee-for-service providers only. Providers in an HMO network should contact their contracted HMOs for information about their APR DRG implementation, which may differ from fee-for-service. ForwardHealth will continue to communicate APR DRG information to HMOs at the monthly HMO Encounter Technical meetings.

Covered Topics

The following topics will be covered at the APR DRG system training sessions:

- The APR DRG methodology, including information on adjustments for the Wisconsin-specific grouper
- All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Group reimbursement and policy, including information on the following:
 - ü Rate setting
 - ü Modeling
 - ü Policy changes
- Medicaid Management Information System and APR DRGs, including information on the following:
 - ü Claims submission
 - ü Processing claims
 - ü System changes and impacts, including the following:
 - o Changes to ForwardHealth Portal provider panels
 - o Changes to Remittance Advice and Explanation of Benefits codes
 - ü Testing

Upcoming Training Opportunities

ForwardHealth will offer five separate training sessions for the APR DRG system trainings: four in-person training sessions and one real-time, web-based training session.

In-Person Trainings

In-person trainings will be held in four locations across the state from October 12–October 19. See the Attachment of this *Update* for the dates, locations, and additional details about these in-person training sessions. Registration is required prior to participating in the in-person training sessions.

For more information about in-person training sessions and to register online, go to the Trainings page of the Providers area of the Portal at www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/. Providers may also register by calling Provider Services at 800-947-9627. Registrants will receive a training session confirmation number that they should keep for their records. Providers who have questions about registration or are unable to attend a session for which registration has been confirmed should call Provider Services and have their confirmation number available.

Real-Time, Web-Based Training

ForwardHealth will offer a real-time, web-based training session via MyRoom™ on October 26. Providers do not need to register to participate. Associated training materials and access code required for participating in this training session will be available on the Trainings page of the Portal at least one week before the training session.

Additional Information

For more information on the APR DRG system, refer to the June 2016 *Update* (2016-26), titled “Implementation of the All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Groups Classification System,” or the new APR DRG Portal page that can be accessed via the Provider-specific Resources page for Hospitals in the Providers area or the Managed Care Organizations home page of the Portal.

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 AIDS Drug Assistance Program and the Wisconsin Well Woman Program are administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

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

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ATTACHMENT

All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Group In-Person Training Sessions

Registration is required prior to participating in an in-person training session. Providers may register online on the Trainings page of the Providers area of the ForwardHealth Portal at www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/ or by calling Provider Services at 800-947-9627.

In-Person Training Session Information	
<p>October 12, 2016 Madison, Wisconsin</p> <p>Crowne Plaza 4402 E Washington Ave Madison WI 53704 608-244-4703</p> <p>Check-in: 8:00–8:30 a.m. Training: 8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>	<p>October 13, 2016 Eau Claire, Wisconsin</p> <p>Holiday Inn South 4751 Owen Ayres Ct Eau Claire WI 54701 715-830-9889</p> <p>Check-in: 8:00–8:30 a.m. Training: 8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>
<p>October 18, 2016 Pewaukee, Wisconsin</p> <p>Country Springs Hotel 2810 Golf Rd Pewaukee WI 53072 262-547-0201</p> <p>Check-in: 8:00–8:30 a.m. Training: 8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>	<p>October 19, 2016 Green Bay, Wisconsin</p> <p>Country Inn and Suites 850 Kepler Dr, Ste A Green Bay WI 54311 920-288-0101</p> <p>Check-in: 8:00–8:30 a.m. Training: 8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>