Welcome to CareOregon's Billing and Admin Meeting!

January 25th, 2024



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Thank you for joining us!

Please help us have a successful meeting:

There will be time reserved for Q&A at the end of the meeting. Questions can be submitted in chat throughout the meeting.



Include your name & organization in your chat messages / questions



Please stay on mute, unless speaking up



During Q&A Wrap up, please raise your hand if you'd like to speak



This meeting is recorded -Feel free to keep your camera off



Welcome & Reflection



Agenda

- ☐ LPC/LMFT Updates
- ☐ CLSS/ICD Updates
- BHSI
 - Overview
 - Claim Statistics
 - o Issues, Mitigation, Guidance
 - Reporting Updates
 - Reminders
 - O Poll-time!!
 - Wrap-Up



General Updates

Selena Griffin: Provider Relations Supervisor



LPC & LMFT: 2024 Medicare Eligible

2024 Update: LPC & LMFT Providers are now Medicare eligible!

What Has Changed?

- Effective January 1st, 2024:
 - Licensed Professional Counselors (LPC) & Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists (LMFT) will be able to bill Medicare Part B and be reimbursed for approved services, in accordance with Medicare reimbursement rates.
- Change is due to passage of *Mental Health Access Improvement Act* by Congress (S.828/H.R.432) in December, 2022
- This federal law is closing a gap which has historically prevented LPCs and LMFTs from being recognized as Medicare providers.

American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy: American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (aamft.org) or Medicare (aamft.org)

American Counseling Association: American Counseling Association | A professional home for counselors or CMS Releases New Medicare Enrollment Information for Counselors (counseling.org)

LPC & LMFT Medicare Changes

How to Enroll in Medicare

As of November 2023, LPCs and LMFTs are now able to enroll as a Medicare billable provider through the Center for Medicaid and Medicare services (CMS).

If you are currently a **Medicaid** provider, the following is required:

- ✓ Obtain a National Provider Identifier (NPI) nppes.cms.hhs.gov
- ✓ Complete the Medicare Enrollment Application may take 60-90 days.
 - Online Application: pecos.cms.hhs.gov/pecos
 - Paper Application *CMS.gov/medicare/enrollment-renewal*
- ✓ Select a **Specialty Designation**

For more information on how to become a Medicare provider:

https://www.cms.gov/medicare/enrollment-renewal/providers-suppliers

LPC & LMFT Medicare Changes

CareOregon's Approach

CareOregon recognizes it may take time for LPC & LMFT providers to complete their Medicare enrollment. Please continue to treat our dual members even if your Medicare enrollment is pending.

To support this transition & member access, please note the following:

- We will not require a primary Medicare EOB for LPCs and LMFTs between 1/1/24 & 6/30/24.
- Once Medicare enrollment is complete, notify CareOregon so provider records can be updated
 - Claims paid under the CareOregon Medicare Advantage (COA) plan automatically crossover to the CCO plan.

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- Members with external Medicare, providers <u>must</u> bill Medicare first
 - FFS or Traditional Medicare will send CareOregon a crossover claim no need to bill CareOregon separately.
 - For other Medicare Advantage Plans, include primary payer's payment info on the claim. Secondary claims should be billed electronically, if possible.
- Medicare rates may be lower than CareOregon rates. To reduce burden on our providers & ensure continued access for our dually eligible members, we are:
 - Reviewing our COB calculation method to reimburse providers <u>at least up to the Medicaid rate</u> when totaling payments for primary & secondary payers.
 - Discussing ways to address reimbursement during this transition period for providers who may experience less reimbursement for services provided to Medicare enrollees (e.g. claims adjustments or supplemental payments).

CLSS / ICD Billing

QDP Modifier Reminders and Updates

- All CLSS & ICD modifiers must be listed on a single line (up to 4)
 - List pricing modifiers first
 - Claims submitted with modifiers on multiple lines will need to be (re)submitted as a corrected claim with modifiers listed on a single line.
- Effective 10/1 CLSS payments are now claims-based (Q3 reporting not required)
 - If you are a sign language or bilingual provider with a case rate or capitation agreement ICD/CLSS add-on payment(s) will continue via checks/EFT.
- Updates to the OHA BHDP/QDP rate increase can be found on the OHA's <u>Behavioral</u>
 <u>Health Rate Increase</u> webpage (*including Fall 2023 webinars*).

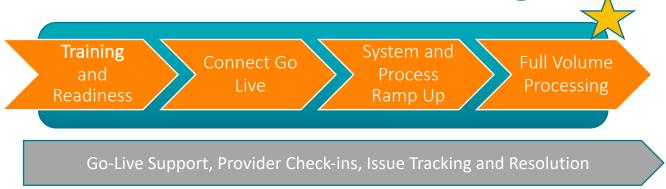
Behavioral Health Systems Integration (BHSI)

Erik Carter: Operations Manager, Provider Network

Jane Speyer: Director, Claims Operations



Go-Live and Transition Progress



- We are up and running on new systems and processes!
- Our claims team has some data to share today about claims processing times
- Claims and system issues are being tracked closely as identified, and moved to resolution as quickly as possible

We appreciate your partnership and patience as we move through the go-live and transition process!

BHSI Post-Live Poll

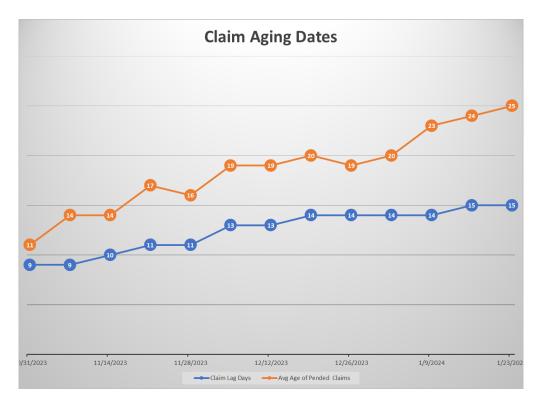
We value your feedback! Please share how things are going since our 10/1/2023 BHSI Go-Live

Rate your experience since go-live on 10/1/23

- 1 Poor
- 2 Unsatisfactory
- 3 Satisfactory
- 4 Good
- 5 Excellent

Claim Statistics

- Average TAT for claim payment has stabilized at about 14 days
- While pend volume remains low, the age of pended claims has increased in the last 30 days
- 96% of clean claims are paid within 30 days (exceeding our goal to pay 90% of claims within 30 days)



Claims Statistics

Top Claim Denial Reasons

Denial Reason	% of all Denials
Provider Issue (OHA Enrollment 50%, Missing Rendering Provider 33% Provider not eligible to bill service 4%, Missing or invalid NPI 3%)	29%
Duplicate Claim or Service	25%
Authorization Issue	14%
Noncovered service or exceeds benefit limits	11%
COB Denial	8%
Bundled payment	8%
Coding Error – Procedure or Modifier code	3%

Post-Live: Issues, Mitigation, Provider Guidance

Issue	Current Status/Mitigation plan	Provider Guidance
DMAP Enrollment issues	Lapses in enrollment will likely result in claim denials.	 Monitor your individual providers enrollment status with OHA.
Missing rendering provider	 Most behavioral health services require a rendering provider – and that provider must be a person, <u>not an organization</u>. 	 Report the rendering provider at the <u>claim level</u>, not at the line level
Notification number missing	 Majority of claims denied had multiple notifications on file, but none were listed on the claim. CareOregon attempts to locate a valid auth/NoT, but if more than one to select from, claim may be denied 	 Bill claims with notification number listed Split service lines into separate claims if multiple notifications apply
Duplicates	 If performing the same service multiple times a day (such as H0004 or H0005) use an appropriate modifier to indicate it separate and distinct or populate the time of service in the NTE field (Box 19) 	 For corrected claims, use frequency code "7" and list the original ICN in REF F8 segment (Box 22)

Reporting Updates

Report	Current Status
Claims Report (Connect) & Risk Corridor	 Claims Report are under development Risk Corridor reporting anticipated in Q1 of 2024
Authorization Report (Connect) UPDATED December 2023	 Connect Enhanced Auth report (UPDATED with Level of Service info!) Education and updates up next!

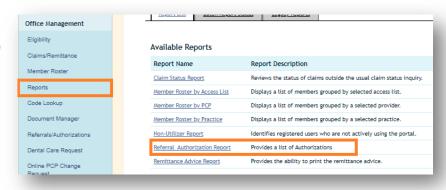
Authorization Report – Update!

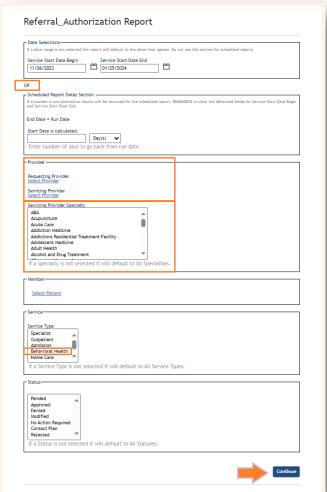
Connect Auth report Updates - Effective 12/19/2023

Added Level of Service field

	Start Date	End Date	Approved	Level of Service
1E	1/7/2024	7/6/2024	0	Level C
1E	1/11/2024	7/10/2024	0	Level C
1E	1/2/2024	7/1/2024	0	Level C
1E	12/3/2023	6/2/2024	0	Level C
4.	1/10/2024	1/10/2025	0	

How to access the report





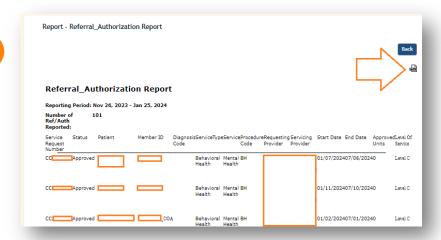
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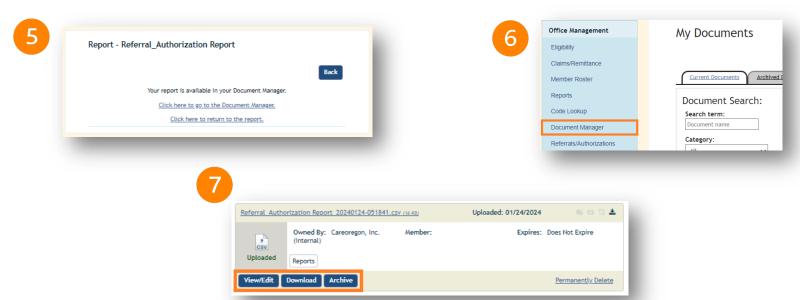
Report - Referral_Authorization Report

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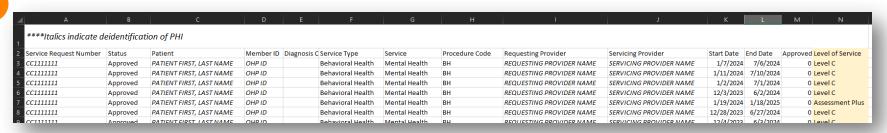


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REMINDERS

Delegated
Organizational
Provider Roster
Monthly
Update

Auth/NoT Not Req'd for Some Providers

Resource Summary **Delegated Organizational Provider Roster:** Provider Roster Template: A critical tool used by CareOregon's Provider Updated in October 2023 Data team for terming, updating and adding Located online: Delegated Provider Roster providers. Please replace old versions! *Information provided in the roster is ultimately* used to **ensure accurate rate assignment** for this Rosters must be emailed by the 10th subset of Providers. calendar day of each month. If updates need to be expedited, please send bi-weekly Providers who signed an agreement Send to: with CareOregon to delegate their BHProviderDataUpdates@careoregon.org credentialing are contractually obligated to send a complete roster. Authorizations/NoTs are **not required** for Providers who How do you know if this impacts YOUR meet all the following criteria: organization? Hold only one Behavioral Health contract Email notification went out in Spring and Fall with CareOregon for Health Share members 2023 to impacted providers. The one contract is for outpatient mental health A list of impacted providers is included in the 10/01/2023 auth/NoT rules/fee schedule in services The one contract is reimbursed fee-for-service Connect (our online provider portal) The one contract is NOT for A-C levels of care

REMINDERS

Med Management Only

Telehealth Modifiers

Fee Schedule Posting

Summary	Resource
 Effective 10/01/23, CareOregon is changing the method of payment for Medication Management services for Case Rate providers. New method of payment will be a capitated payment, moving away from fee-for-service (FFS) reimbursement. 	See Section 3 in our BHSI FAQs for additional details and Q&A: BHSI FAQs ***Impacted Providers received an email from Provider Relations on 11/28/23 with additional guidance.
 As of October, 2023: Additional modifiers have been added as payable As of November 24th, 2023: Any claims denied with GT, FQ, 93 or 95 modifiers that are appropriate for telehealth were reprocessed by CareOregon Providers do not need to resubmit. 	Newly published online: <u>Telehealth Billing Guide</u> See Section 5 in our BHSI FAQs for additional details and Q&A: <u>BHSI FAQs</u>
 Rates for October 1st, 2023, and forward: Access Contracted Fee schedules via Connect Rates prior to October 1st, 2023: Fee schedules remain in CIM 	If you need help locating your fee schedule, reach out to: Provider Relations: MetroBHPRS@careoregon.org - OR - Provider Customer Service: 800.224.4840 (option 3)

REMINDERS

are
REQUIRED
on Claims

Summary	Resource
If Authorization/NoT <u>is required</u> for service provided:	Have questions or need support with duplicate or
 Auth number <u>must be submitted on the claim</u> for appropriate processing/payment 	overlapping authorization issues? Please contact:
Claims must be billed with one authorization number per claim	Provider Relations: MetroBHPRS@careoregon.org
If there are duplicate/overlapping auths and no auth on the	- OR -
claim, this will result in a claim denial!	Provider Customer Service:
	800.224.4840 (option 3)
Interim Transition Support:	
 CareOregon has developed an interim solution to attempt to find 	
an auth match if no auth is submitted on claim:	
 Interim solution in place through June 2024 	
 Please <u>do not rely on this</u> interim solution! 	
 If you have a high volume (10+) of these specific denials, you may 	
submit a spreadsheet with authorizations to our Provider Relations	
team for resolution.	
 Please reach out to Provider Customer Service or Provider 	
Relations for support with this spreadsheet process option	

REMEMBER! Please ensure you <u>add 1 authorization to each claim</u> (when required) to ensure seamless processing, payment, and to help avoid denials.

BHSI CHECKLIST



Claims

- ✓ Make sure to submit claims with dates of services 10/1 and forward to CareOregon (details also available online):
 - CareOregon EDI#: 93975
 - Address:
 Claims, CareOregon
 PO Box 40328
 Portland OR 97240
- ✓ PH Tech Claims with dates of service prior to 10/1 will continue to go through CIM

Payment

- ✓ Ensure you are enrolled for electronic payment through the ePayment Center (administered by Zelis)
- ✓ If you are not enrolled in the ePayment Center, please refer to Electronic Payment & Electronic Remittance Advice FAQs (careoregon.org) for details on how to sign-up & how to get assistance.

Authorizations

- ✓ Submit authorizations for dates of services 10/1 and forward through *CareOregon Connect*
- ✓ Reference the *Service Level Crosswalk* for changes to the service levels in the BHSI FAQs
- ✓ Make sure you have setup access to log into CareOregon Connect

BHSI Post-Live Poll

We value your feedback! Please share how things are going since our 10/1/2023 BHSI Go-Live

What areas do you need more support in related to BHSI?

- Auths / NoT
- Claims
- Payments
- Connect system navigation
- None
- If "Other" (or to provide more information on what support you need) please add details here

BHSI Post-Live Poll

Planning Ahead: Ideas for additional Provider Support Options

Which additional support options would you be interested in?

- Virtual drop in hours
- Topic focused educational sessions
- Other suggestions?

Provider Resources: Training & Online Materials

Stay Up To Date! Visit us online at: CO Metro BH Provider Website











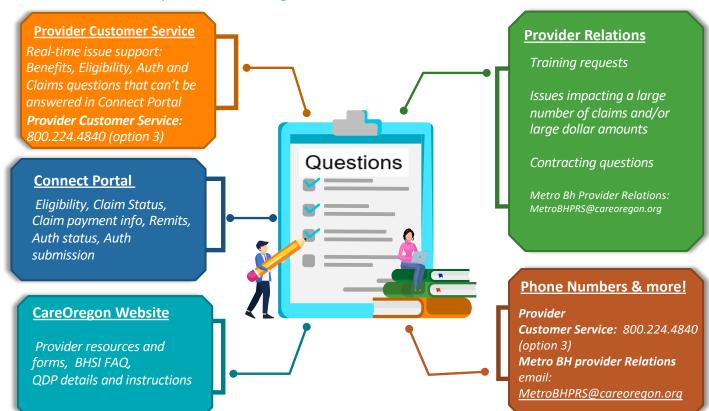
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Connect Training
Provider Connect
Portal Tutorials

Provider BHSI FAQs careoregon-bhsi-provider-faqs.pdf

Who to contact when you need help

BHSI Provider Resources, post 10/1/23 go-live



Questions?

What else do you want to know?

We value your input!

Providers can submit questions or insights to our team of experts here 24/7:

Online Question Intake Form

Thank you!

