

### January 2020 NC Medicaid Bulletin Digest

# <u>Comprehensive Independent Assessment Entity Award Announcement</u> FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020

On Jan. 31,2020, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services announced that Keystone Peer Review Organization, Inc. received the contract as the Comprehensive Independent Assessment Entity.

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### Behavioral Health I/DD Tailored Plan Request for Applications (RFA) Pre-Release Policy Paper

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020

We are pleased to share for comment the Behavioral Health I/DD Tailored Plan Request for Applications (RFA) Pre-Release Policy Paper. This complements prior policy papers issued by the Department between 2017 and early 2020 and is intended to give stakeholders additional insight into Behavioral Health I/DD Tailored Plan design areas not previously addressed in other policy papers.

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## Pegfilgrastim-bmez Injection, for Subcutaneous Use (Ziextenzo™) HCPCS Code J3590: Billing Guidelines

## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020**

Effective with date of service Nov. 8, 2019, the NC Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover pegfilgrastim-bmez injection, for subcutaneous use (Ziextenzo) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program when billed with HCPCS code J3590 - Unclassified biologics.

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## **Telephonic Evaluation and Management for Influenza**

### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020**

In response to the higher than normal number of influenza cases and influenza-related complications and deaths, NC Medicaid is offering telephonic evaluation and management services to beneficiaries who are actively experiencing flu-like symptoms.



## <u>Crizanlizumab-tmca Injection, for Intravenous use (Adakveo®) HCPCS Code J3590: Billing Guidelines</u>

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020** 

Effective with date of service Nov. 20, 2019, the NC Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover crizanlizumab-tmca injection, for intravenous use (Adakveo) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program (when billed with HCPCS code J3590 - Unclassified biologics.

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## Immune Globulin Intravenous, Human – Slra 10% Liquid (Asceniv™) HCPCS Code J1599: Billing Guidelines

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020** 

Effective with date of service Nov. 18, 2019, the NC Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover immune globulin intravenous, human – slra 10% liquid (Asceniv) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program when billed with HCPCS code J1599 - Injection, immune globulin, intravenous, non-lyophilized (e.g., liquid), not otherwise specified, 500 mg.

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## Givosiran Injection, for Subcutaneous Use (Givlaari™) HCPCS Code J3490: Billing Guidelines

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020**

Effective with date of service Nov. 26, 2019, the NC Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover givosiran injection, for subcutaneous use (Givlaari) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program when billed with HCPCS code J3490 - Unclassified drugs.

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<u>Luspatercept-aamt for Injection, for Subcutaneous Use (Reblozyl®) HCPCS Code J3590: Billing Guidelines</u>

### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020**

Effective with date of service Nov. 11, 2019, the NC Medicaid and NC Health Choice programs cover luspatercept-aamt for injection, for subcutaneous use (Reblozyl) for use in the Physician Administered Drug Program when billed with HCPCS code J3590 - Unclassified biologics.



### Billing Code Update for Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020** 

NC Medicaid has received calls concerning claim denials for some services provided by nurse practitioners and physician assistants. NC Medicaid has provided instructions to NCTracks to update the claims processing system. The following procedure code list was recently updated to include additional NP and PA taxonomies.

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**Update: Draft Provider Manual for Tailored Care Management** 

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**Clinical Coverage Policies** 

**MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2020** 

The following new or amended clinical coverage policies are available on the NC Medicaid Clinical Coverage Policies web page.

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## Federal Enrollment Application Fee Increase for Year 2020

**MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2020** 

Section 6401(a) of the Affordable Care Act requires the Secretary to impose a fee on each "institutional provider of medical or other items or services and suppliers." Based upon provisions of the ACA, this fee will vary from year to year based on adjustments made pursuant to the Consumer Price Index for Urban Areas.



## **Whole-Person Care Survey**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2020** 

In an attempt to gain clarity around what whole-person care looks like across the state, the Foundation for Health Leadership and Innovation's Center of Excellence for Integrated Care, in partnership with UNC-Chapel Hill School of Nursing, is conducting a short survey for primary care providers and behavioral/mental health professionals working in primary care.

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### NC Medicaid Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program Announcements

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NC-MIPS is Open for Program Year 2019, Reminder from CMS Regarding Objective 6 and Objective 7, Clarification from CMS Regarding Objective 5 Measure 1: Patient Electronic Access and general reminders.

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