



To: AmeriHealth Caritas DC Primary Care Providers

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Subject: Primary Care Provider Quality Enhancement Program

Summary: AmeriHealth Caritas DC has created a value-based incentive program for participating primary care providers (PCPs) who furnish primary care services to our members.

Impact:

AmeriHealth Caritas DC has created a value-based incentive program for participating primary care providers (PCPs) who furnish primary care services to our members. This program is called the Primary Care Provider Quality Enhancement Program (QEP). The QEP rewards practitioners for delivering high-quality and cost-effective care.

The QEP provides performance based financial incentives beyond the PCP practice's base compensation. Value-based incentive payments are determined by the performance of each provider's group practice and not on individual performance (unless the participant is a solo provider). Practices with fewer than 50 members are not eligible for participation.

Incentive compensation, in addition to a practice's base compensation, may be paid to those PCP groups that improve their performance in the following five categories:

1. Quality Metrics (10 HEDIS Measures)
2. Hospital Utilization: Low-Acuity Non-Emergent Emergency Department Visits
3. Hospital Utilization: Potentially Preventable Initial Admissions
4. Hospital Utilization: All-Cause Readmissions Within 30 Days
5. Improvement Incentive

AmeriHealth Caritas DC will begin issuing incentive payments starting in September 2017. Incentive payments will be made on a Per Member Per Month (PMPM) basis and will remain static for a six-month period, unless the practice panel status changes. Every six months, AmeriHealth Caritas DC will re-tabulate the rankings of all eligible practices (based on a rolling 12 months of encounter data). Incentive payments for the next six-month period will be based on the re-tabulated rankings. AmeriHealth Caritas DC will send all eligible practices notification of their rankings via our NaviNet portal.

Visit our provider website ("Provider Manuals and Guides" Section) to obtain a copy of the Primary Care Provider Quality Enhancement Program manual. If you have questions about this communication, please contact your AmeriHealth Caritas DC Provider Account Executive.

Coming soon: QEP Provider Seminar Announcement