

# **CLAIMS CLUES**

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# Week of December 12, 2016 Fee-For-Service Payments and Remits Will Be Delayed One Day

The State accounting system is transitioning to a new platform this coming weekend. Due to the transition, next week's fee-for-service payments will be delayed one day. The checks will be mailed and the EFT transactions will be transmitted to the bank on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. In addition, both electronic and paper remits will also be delayed one day. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

# Reminder: AHCCCS will be closed December 26, 2016 (Monday) to observe Christmas Day.

The claims payment schedule for the week of December 26, 2016 will have a one day delay due to the holiday.

## **Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)**

Fee-For-Service (FFS) Prior Authorization (PA) Changes:

- Effective January 1, 2017 Non IHS/638 NEMT providers transporting TRBHA members over 100 miles, one way or round trip, must receive prior authorization for the transport. Behavioral health transports must be to and from a covered behavioral health service. Prior Authorization requests:
  - 1. Must be submitted prior to service delivery in order to be considered timely.
  - 2. Must contain a valid behavioral health diagnosis.
  - 3. Should be submitted using the AHCCCS Online system.

For additional information, please sign up and attend the scheduled December 08, 2016 BH NEMT training session.

- In an effort to manage an increased volume of calls received in the FFS Prior Authorization area, the following changes will occur immediately:
  - 1. FFS PA staff will limit provision of authorizations by phone to services related to pending hospital discharges.
    - It is preferred that providers enter requests using the AHCCCS Web Portal at: <u>https://azweb.statemedicaid.us/Account/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f</u>
    - Requests can also be submitted by fax 24hrs a day/7 days a week. All faxed requests *must* be accompanied by a FFS form as the coversheet. FFS forms can be obtained at: <u>https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/RatesAndBilling/FFS/prio</u> <u>rauthorizationforms.html</u>.
  - 2. FFS PA staff will not provide member eligibility or authorization status by phone as this information is available online 24 hours a day/7 days a week at: <u>https://azweb.statemedicaid.us/Account/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f</u>.

Providers requiring training on how to submit authorizations using the AHCCCS Web Portal can request training by emailing a training request to: <u>ProviderTrainingFFS@azahcccs.gov</u>.

## DFSM Training schedule

On Thursday **December 08, 2016**, the Division is offering a training session/notification on Behavioral Health- Non Medical Emergency Transportation (BH-NEMT) from 1:30 PM -2:30 PM at 701 East Jefferson Street, Phoenix AZ 85034 in the HRD Room, located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.

On Monday **December 19, 2016**, the Division is offering a training session on Void and Replacement from 1:30 PM -2:30 PM at 701 East Jefferson Street, Phoenix AZ 85034 in the Gold Room, located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.

To sign up for trainings and to receive notifications, please sign up for ListServ Notifications. For directions on how to sign up to receive ListServ Notifications, please click this link here: <a href="https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/AHCCCSlistserve.html">https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/AHCCCSlistserve.html</a>

## **Contacts and links:**

- For technical assistance regarding claims issues and training, please email <u>ProviderTrainingFFS@azahcccs.gov</u>
- Dental authorization requests should be mailed to:

AHCCCS DFSM – Prior Authorization: Dental Mail Drop # 8900 701 E. Jefferson Street Phoenix, AZ 85034

- Fee-For-Service Authorization Request Forms can be found at: <u>https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/RatesAndBilling/FFS/priorauthorizationforms.html</u>
- Please direct Prior Authorization or Claims/Billing inquiries to:
  - Fee-For-Service Prior Authorization Line: 602-417-4400
  - Fee-For-Service Claims Customer Service: 602-417-7670
- For questions regarding the provider registration process, please contact Angelica Quezada, Health Program Manager II within the Provider Registration section at (602)417-4098 or Angelica.Quezada@azahcccs.gov. Applications can be faxed to Angelica Quezada's attention at (602)256-1474.
- For technical assistance with your AHCCCS online web portal, please call AHCCCS ISD Customer Support Desk at 602-417-4451