

Application Center Monthly Contact

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Agenda Items



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Ambetter/UHC Exchange Plans



- Our executive management team is aware that the addition of Medicaid members to Ambetter/UHC Exchange Marketplace plans is causing billing problems. Research is being done on the subject.
- Medicaid Provider Relations is available to assist with billing questions until the matter is resolved. Representatives can be reached at 1-800-473-2783.

Requesting Retroactive Coverage



- If an applicant fails to request retroactive coverage at the time of application and later mentions that they need it, please advise them to contact the Medicaid Customer Service Unit.
- Trusted Users are unable to request retroactive coverage on the applicant's behalf.

Decision Letters



- Decision letters are mailed to applicants or their authorized representative after their eligibility decision is reached.
- If a duplicate letter is needed for any reason, please refer the member to the Customer Service Unit for assistance.
- Trusted Users are unable to request a copy of the decision letter on behalf of the patient.

Trusted User DOs



- Take applications
- Assist applicants in completing the application
- Provide information and referrals
- Obtain required documentation to complete processing of the application
- Assure that the information contained on the application is complete and accurate
- Conduct necessary face-to-face interviews

Trusted User Don'ts

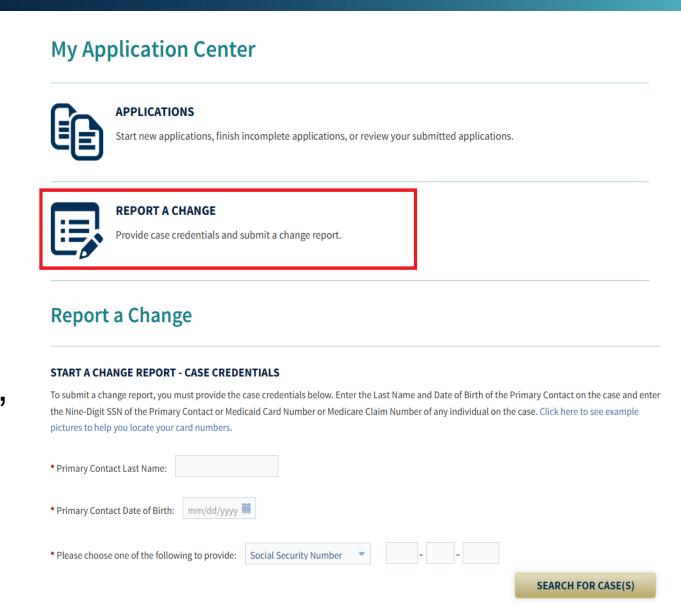


- Refuse assistance to anyone applying for Medicaid, regardless of circumstances
- Make a determination of eligibility or ineligibility or evaluate the information received
- Use the information obtained during the Medicaid Application interview for any purpose other than determining Medicaid eligibility
- Screen applicants for Medicaid benefits
- Solicit Medicaid applications in the pursuit of unpaid claims

Reporting a Change



- Trusted Users are able to assist members in reporting changes by selecting the "Report a Change" option on the My Application Center screen.
- The primary contact's last name, date of birth, and SSN, Medicaid card number or Medicare Claim number are required to search for the appropriate case.



Reporting a Change (cont.)



 After the appropriate case is found, select "Start change" under the "Submit a Change Report" section.

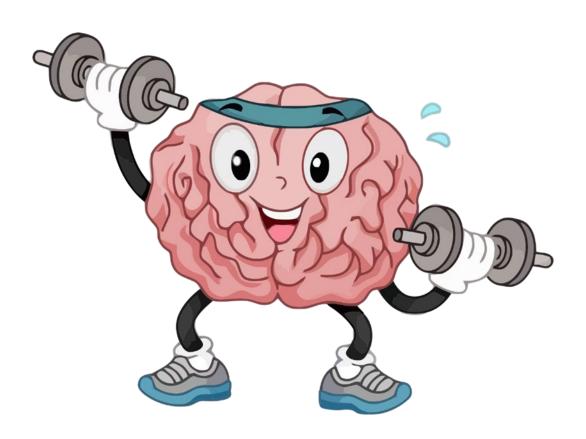


Here are the changes that can be reported using a Change Report:

New Address/Changed	Someone needs a new	Someone moved into	Someone is
Phone Number/Change	Medicaid card	your home	incarcerated
your preferred spoken			
or written language			
Someone moved to a	Someone is no longer	Someone is deceased	Change in someone's
facility or is planning to	part of your household		name, SSN, marital
move to a facility in the	because they moved		status, or change in
next 30 days	out		requesting health
			coverage benefits.



Train Your Brain





Question 1- True or False

Trusted Users are permitted to act as an Authorized Representative.



Question 1 Answer

False

Trusted Users are acting on behalf of Medicaid, so they are not permitted to act as an applicant or member's Authorized Representative.



Question 2- True or False

Change reports (Report a change) can be submitted by Trusted Users, Customer Service agents, Outstation Analysts, or Medicaid recipients through the Self Service Portal.



Question 2 Answer

True



Question 3- True or False

To be considered disabled, a person must have a minor to moderate physical, emotional or mental health impairment that is expected to result in death or last for a year or longer.



Question 3 Answer

False

The impairment has to be severe to meet the definition of disability.

Reminders



- AC Resource Library Check it DAILY
- Ensure you log into the PARTNER portal and not the Public or Provider portal.
- Adhere to Medicaid guidelines
- Trusted Users must conduct Face-to-Face interviews
- For issues with newborns, email <u>NEU@la.gov</u>
- EMS
 - Submit medical records immediately upon receiving the denial due to non-citizenship.
 They should be sent to the EMS Rightfax (225) 389-2748 (Local) or (877) 747-0996 (Toll-free).
 - For aged EMS claims, email the EMS Aged Claims Status Request form (on the AC Resource Library) to MEDT-EMS@la.gov.
- AC Meetings are conducted on your behalf. Attendance is required and participation is encouraged.

Reminders (cont.)



Code 155 Denials

- Individuals with Emergency Services limitations on their benefits require a medical review by Medicaid's Medical Eligibility Determination Team (MEDT).
- Fax medical records for the EMS date of service to (225) 389-2748 Local or (877) 747-0996 Toll-free. Medicaid will not pay for non-emergent medical services rendered to EMS individuals.

Reminders (cont.)



- The only records that should be faxed to the EMS fax numbers are the ones pertaining to EMS-related certifications that are still open.
- The number is not for new applications.
- Verifications for new applications should still be faxed to the LaCHIP Rightfax number, 1-877-523-2987.

Reminders (cont.)



Application Centers (AC)

- ApplicationCenter.Service@la.gov
- **•** (225) 342 6312
- Valerie McManus

Medical Eligibility Determinations Team (MEDT)

- MEDT@la.gov
- Angel Wilson Jolivette

Newborn Eligibility Unit (NEU)

- NEU@la.gov
- Kiarah Dugas

Medicaid Outreach

MedicaidOutreach@la.gov

Optional State Supplement (OSS)

- OSS@la.gov
- Paige Logan

Outstation

- Outstation@la.gov
- Paige Logan

Healthy Louisiana

1-855-229-6848

Louisiana Medicaid Customer Service

1-888-342-6207



Questions



THANK YOU

