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Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Policy Transmittal: 2018-04

Applicable to the **2018-2023 SMMC contract benefits** for:

- Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) and MMA Specialty
- Long-Term Care (LTC)
- Dental

Re: Requirements for Submission of Performance Improvement Projects (PIPs)

The managed care plan must submit to the Agency in writing, final proposals for PIPs no later than (90) days after the execution of the contract. (Attachment II, Section IX.C.2.b). Each initial PIP proposal must be submitted using the most recent version of the External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) PIP validation summary form. (Attachment II, Section IX.C.2.c). The purpose of this policy transmittal is to inform the managed care plan of a change to the upcoming PIPs due date and to provide instructions on submission.

The managed care plan must submit its PIP proposals to the Agency as follows, no later than January 31, 2019.

- For PIP 1, which combines a focus on improving primary C-section rates, pre-term delivery rates, and neonatal abstinence syndrome rates, activities 1 through 8 of the current EQRO PIP validation summary form must be addressed in the managed care plan's PIP proposal. The EQRO PIP validation summary form and a list of the activities are assessable online at <http://www.myfloridaeqro.com/Pips.aspx>.
- For PIP 2, which combines a focus on reducing potentially preventable events including hospital admissions, readmissions, and emergency department visits, activities 1 through 8 of the current EQRO PIP validation summary form must be addressed in the plan's PIP proposal.
- For PIP 3, which focuses on the rate of non-emergency transportation trips resulting in the enrollee arriving to their scheduled appointment on time, activities 1 through 6 of the current EQRO PIP validation summary form must be addressed in the managed care plan's PIP proposal.
- For PIP 4, which focuses on behavioral health or integrating primary care and behavioral health, activities 1 through 6 of the current EQRO PIP validation summary form must be addressed in the managed care plan's PIP proposal.

Each initial PIP proposal must be submitted on the SMMC SFTP site using the managed care plan's SUBMISSIONS directory, in the PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS VALIDATION FORMS sub-directory. The managed care plan must use the following naming



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convention "ABCYYYYMMDDPIP#", where ABC is the managed care plan's three-character identifier, YYYY is the four-digit year, MM is the two-digit month, DD is the two-digit day on which the template is being submitted, and # is the PIP number (1-4, as identified above).

If you have any questions, please contact your Agency contract manager at (850) 412-4004.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shevaun Harris". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Shevaun Harris
Assistant Deputy Secretary for
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