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Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Policy Transmittal: 2019-20

Applicable to the following benefits in the **2018-2023 SMMC contract**:

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

Re: MMA Physician Incentive Program (MPIP) Requirements

Pursuant to s. 409.967(2)(a), F.S., and as specified by the Agency, SMMC must implement an incentive program wherein payment rates for eligible physicians must equal or exceed Medicare rates for services provided. (Attachment II, Exhibit II-A, Section VIII.E.1.) The Agency fulfilled this requirement through implementation of the MMA Physician Incentive Program (MPIP). The purpose of this policy transmittal is to notify the managed care plan about MPIP Year 4 parameters and to provide the managed care plan updated payment information.

The managed care plan must maintain the same qualification criteria for MPIP Year 4 as was approved by the Agency for Year 3, with one exception related to emergency room physicians. Beginning in MPIP Year 4, the managed care plan must reimburse emergency room physicians at the MPIP enhanced rates for services rendered to members under 21 years of age, regardless of whether the physician is in or out of network.

For MPIP Year 4, the managed care plan must update the measurement periods for performance metrics accordingly. If the managed care plan is implementing the Agency Alternative Program (AP) or an Individual Health Plan Incentive Program (IHP) that includes the "HEDIS: Frequency of Ongoing Prenatal Care" measure as part of their MPIP-qualifying criteria, the managed care plan must continue to use this measure with the latest specifications published by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (HEDIS 2018 edition).

The Agency maintains an MPIP website with updated payment information at http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/statewide_mc/mma_physician_incentive.shtm. The managed care plan must reimburse MPIP-qualified physicians no less than the minimum rates provided in the file MPIP Rates for Children's Primary Care Codes located within the link 'MPIP Year 3: 2018-2019'. For procedure codes included in MPIP that have Medicare Relative Value Units (RVUs) but are not listed in the Medicare fee schedule, the site also includes the rate calculation methodology as published by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

If you have any questions, please contact Antraneise Jackson by calling (850) 412-4215 or emailing Antraneise.Jackson@ahca.myflorida.com.



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shevaun Harris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "S".

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