

# Fourth Quarter 2023 Provider Webinar

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Every individual should live with respect and dignity. We will help our members to maximize their independence. We will also help and maintain members quality of life in their chosen setting.

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## **Abbreviations**



Acronym	Definition
ARTC	Arkansas Total Care
EVV	Electronic Visit Verification
PHE	Public Health Emergency
FWA	Fraud, Waste, and Abuse
HCBS	Home- and Community-Based Services
NPI	National Provider Identification
PASSE	Provider-Led Arkansas Shared Savings Entity
SIU	Special Investigations Unit

# Personal Caregiver ID

## **Personal Caregiver ID Updates**



All Arkansas providers are required by the Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide a caregiver Medicaid ID for every caregiver servicing members for personal care, attendant care, and respite services.

- ► Effective January 27, 2023, the caregiver Medicaid ID must be entered for every caregiver profile in HHAeXchange.
- ► The caregiver Medicaid ID should be entered in the Professional License Number field of the caregiver profile.
  - The Professional License Number is required when editing or adding a new caregiver and before saving the caregiver profile in HHAeXchange.
  - Failure to add an active and accurate Medicaid ID for each caregiver can result in delay in claim payment or denials.

## Personal Caregiver ID cont'd



- ► To avoid claim denials, the caregiver effective date should be listed in HHAeXchange appropriately. You can submit these visits via HHAeXchange or a chosen third-party EVV system that aggregates with HHAeXchange.
- Claims received outside of the EVV system will be denied with the note:

  "NO EVV VISIT MATCH FOR MEDICAID ID BILLED."
- ► If you have any questions or concerns about this change, please contact Provider Services at 1-866-282-6280 (TTY: 711). You can also contact HHAeXchange at 1-855-400-4429.

## **Change to Support**



On July 1, 2023, the support@hhaexchange.com email address was removed. All support requests should be made via the HHAeXchange Client Support Portal. HHAeXchange developed the Client Support Portal in response to customer feedback for quicker access to support, more visibility on the status of support requests, and greater ease in managing the support request process. We recommend you begin using the HHAeXchange Client Support Portal today to take advantage of the improved experience, including:

- ► Faster support response
- Increased visibility of support request status
- ► Better communication
- Streamlined support request process



For questions regarding how to update information in the HHAeXchange system, contact HHAeXchange at 1-855-400-4429 or through the HHAeXchange Client Support Portal.

For plan-specific questions, contact Arkansas Total Care at 1-866-282-6280 (TTY: 711).

# New Provider Payment Method

## **New Payment Method for Arkansas Total Care Providers**



Arkansas Total Care is working to improve provider payment methods. To reduce the environmental impact of our payments and to enhance the provider experience, all payments for Arkansas Total Care claims will be issued via Virtual Credit Card (VCC) beginning November 2023.

The VCC program from Change Healthcare is a widely used payment option in healthcare that we are making available to our provider network.

Providers can also sign up for PaySpan Health to provide an innovative web-based solution for Electronic Funds Transfers (EFTs) and Electronic Remittance Advices (ERAs). This service is provided at no cost to providers and allows online enrollment.

Visit **PaySpanHealth.com** for more information.

# Requests for Reconsideration or Claim Disputes

## **Requests for Reconsideration**



Requests for reconsiderations are submitted when a provider disagrees with the original claim outcome (payment amount, denial reason, etc.).

Reconsiderations may be submitted using one of the following ways:

- ► Calling the Provider Services department
- Using the Provider Portal
- ► Using the Claim Dispute Form available on our <u>website</u> (preferred method)
- Sending a written letter that includes a detailed description of the reason for the request
  - To ensure timely processing, the letter must include sufficient identifying information, which includes, at a minimum, member name, member ID number, date of service, total charges, provider name, original EOP, and/or the original claim number found in Box 22 of the CMS 1500 form or Field 64 of the UB-04 form.

- Requests must be submitted within 180 days of the date of the original explanation of payment or denial for contracted providers.
- Written requests for reconsideration and any applicable attachments must be mailed to:

Arkansas Total Care
Attn: Request for Reconsideration
P.O. Box 8020
Farmington, MO 63640-8020

## **Claim Disputes**



# Claim Dispute — A provider disagrees with the outcome of the request for reconsideration.

- A claim dispute/claim appeal should be used only when a provider has received an unsatisfactory response to a request for reconsideration. If a dispute form is submitted and a reconsideration request is not located in our system, then the dispute will be considered a reconsideration.
- A claim dispute/appeal must be submitted using the Claim Dispute Form located on the Provider Resources page at ArkansasTotalCare.com. The form must be completed in its entirety.

The completed form may be mailed to the following address:

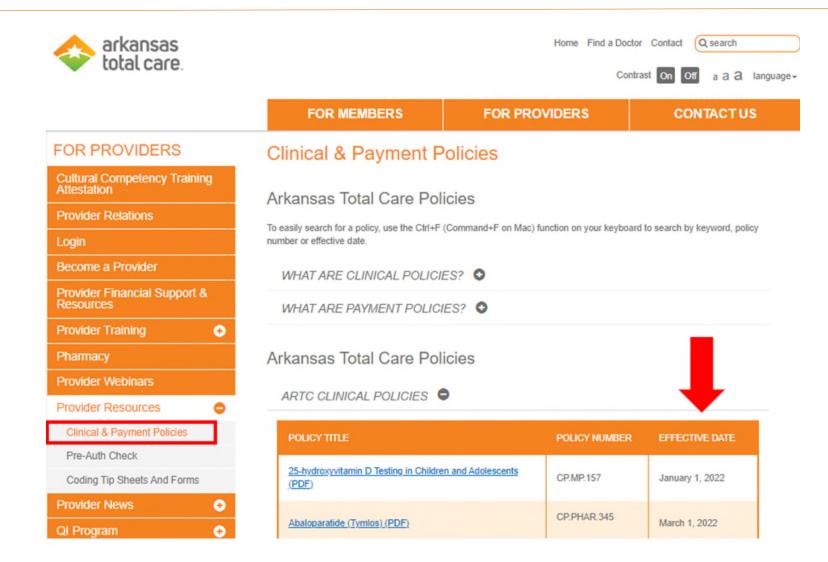
Arkansas Total Care
Attn: Claim Dispute
P.O. Box 8020
Farmington, MO 63640-8020

A claim dispute/appeal will be resolved within 30 calendar days. The provider who filed the dispute/appeal will receive a written letter detailing the decision to overturn or uphold the original decision.

# Clinical & Payment Policies

## **ARTC Clinical Policies**





## New Criteria Guidelines

## **Updated Criteria Guidelines**



- Arkansas Total Care has upgraded our criteria guidelines. The InterQual 2022 criteria set has been upgraded to the InterQual 2023 criteria set.
- ► InterQual 2023 is effective starting September 1, 2023.

To learn more about InterQual 2023, visit our Clinical & Payment Policies page at ArkansasTotalCare.com.

# 340B Program Medical Billing

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#### Modifiers to use for Drugs Purchased Outside of Program

In April, Arkansas Medicaid implemented a change that mandated the use of 340B modifiers (JG or TB) for all 340B eligible non-pharmacy claim lines. If you participate in the 340B program, please be aware that you may use the following modifiers for drugs that are not purchased through the program:

Modifier U7 = Orphan Drugs

Modifier U7 UA = Other physician-administered drugs

If you have questions about this program, please reach out to our Provider Relations team at <a href="mailto:Providers@ArkansasTotalCare.com">Providers@ArkansasTotalCare.com</a>.

# Policy Updates

## New Personal Care Policy Effective January 1, 2024



Arkansas Total Care routinely implements and revises policies to ensure compliance with state and federal guidelines and align with current best practices.

The ARTC.UM.19 Personal Care Services
Authorization policy outlines Arkansas Total
Care's allowances for personal care services
provided by a personal aide in a member's home
and/or community. Arkansas Total Care will
authorize reasonable and medically necessary
personal care services for members so long as
the services exist within the parameters set forth
by the policy and the Arkansas Department of
Human Services (DHS).

It is the provider's responsibility to ensure that all information submitted is an accurate and current representation of the member's needs. Instances in which information is not current or accurate could lead to investigation of potential fraud, waste, or abuse. Providers should review and adhere to the DHS Personal Care Provider Manual. The manual is available online at <a href="https://doi.org/10.100/june-10.100">HumanServices.Arkansas.gov</a>. Refer to Section 222.100 for important information on personal aide selection, training, and continuing education.

To view ARTC.UM.19 and other health plan policies, visit our Clinical Coverage/Medical Policy Updates page at ArkansasTotalCare.com.

## **Supportive Living Clinical Policy**



Arkansas Total Care amended our ARTC.CC.20 Supportive Living Criteria policy effective August 14, 2023. To view this and other policies, visit our Clinical & Payment Policies page.

## **Psychiatric Residential Treatment Discharge Planning**



#### Discharge planning should start upon admission. A final Discharge Plan must include:

- Member education specific to the diagnosis, including information on recognizing signs and symptoms
- Self-care with reminders and cues to use skills developed during treatment
- ► Integrated care, including follow-up appointments with scheduled dates/times and a release to send treatment records to all providers the member will be following up with

- Medication management
- Supports, roles and responsibilities, school transition, and any needed follow-up with the school to which the member will return
- Information on how to return to care if needed, including phone numbers and instructions
- A safety plan

The discharge plan will be sent to either the Care Coordination or Utilization Management department within one business day of discharge so that Arkansas Total Care can ensure the member/family are following up with the discharge instructions.

A training module can be found on our <a href="Provider Training">Provider Training</a> page.

## **Psychiatric Residential Treatment Active Treatment and Incident Reporting**



#### **Active Treatment:**

- Active treatment is defined as a minimum of 40 treatment hours per week, not including classroom time, five of which are conducted by a licensed mental health professional (LMHP), with a minimum of one being in an individual setting rather than a group setting.
- Included in the five hours per week by a LMHP, there should be a minimum of two family therapy sessions per month, as well as a weekly visit with the psychiatrist.

#### **Incident Reporting:**

All incidents should be reported to Arkansas Total Care in accordance with the standards outlined in the Arkansas Total Care Provider Manual. The DHS QA Incident Report form is available on the <a href="Provider Resources">Provider Resources</a> page of our website, under Reference Materials. List your facility in the HCBS provider field at the bottom of the form.

Send completed forms via secure email to <a href="mailto:lncident@ArkansasTotalCare.com">lncident@ArkansasTotalCare.com</a>.

# Upcoming Changes to the Way We Manage Vision Benefits

## **Manage Vision Benefits**



Effective January 1, 2024, Arkansas Total Care will assume the management of medical eye care services. We will be responsible for the following functions for medical eye care services:

- Contracting and credentialing
- Claim processing and appeals
- Provider services
- Provider partnership management
- Provider web portal

- Provider education and resource materials (e.g. provider manual, training)
- Prior authorization, retrospective utilization review, and medical necessity appeals
- Provider complaints

Envolve Vision will continue to manage routine eye care services and full scope of licensure optometric services for our members.

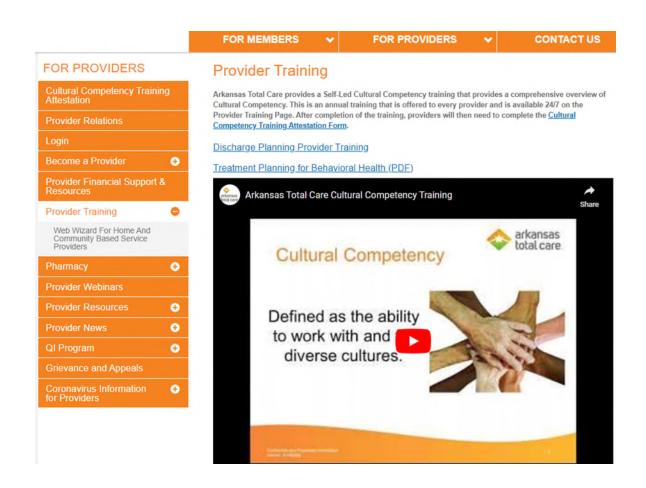
If you have any questions about these changes, please reach out to our Provider Relations team at Providers@ArkansasTotalCare.com or call us at 1-866-282-6280 (TTY: 711). You can also contact your Provider Relations Representative.

# **Cultural Competency Trainings**

## **Cultural Competency Trainings**



- ► This course details how to service the member's healthcare needs in a culturally competent manner
- Arkansas Total Care now provides self-led trainings for providers to complete at their leisure.







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Fraud, Waste, and Abuse

## Fraud, Waste, and Abuse (FWA)



- Arkansas Total Care takes the detection, investigation, and prosecution of fraud, waste, and abuse very seriously and has a FWA program that complies with federal and state laws.
- ▶ We routinely conduct audits to ensure compliance with billing regulations.
- ► The Centene Special Investigations Unit (SIU) performs retrospective audits, which may result in taking actions against providers who commit fraud, waste, and abuse.

## Fraud, Waste, and Abuse cont'd



#### Actions may include but are not limited to:

- Remedial education and/or training to prevent the billing irregularity
- More stringent utilization review
- Recoupment of previously paid monies
- ► Termination of provider agreement or other contractual arrangement
- Civil and/or criminal prosecution
- Any other remedies available to rectify

#### Some of the most common FWA submissions seen are:

- Unbundling of codes
- Up-coding services
- Add-on codes without primary CPT
- Diagnosis and/or procedure code not consistent with the member's age and/or gender
- Use of exclusion codes

- Excessive use of units
- Misuse of benefits
- Claims for services not rendered

If you suspect or witness a provider inappropriately billing or a member receiving inappropriate services, please call our anonymous and confidential hotline at 1-866-685-8664

# Provider Demographic Accuracy

## **Provider Demographic Accuracy**



Help us ensure that the information provided to members for your service location is up to date!

- ► This can be through credentialing, rosters, provider date change forms and third-party vendor requests, such as LexisNexis.
- Maintaining correct clinic information ensures our members can locate the providers they need through the Arkansas Total Care provider directory.

- ► Changes can be submitted through the Secure Provider Portal or by submitting a provider data change form to <u>ArkCredentialing@centene.com</u>.
- Changes can include, but are not limited to:
  - Adding or removing a location
  - Updating your phone number
  - Removing inactive practitioners
- We are required to report directory accuracy to the state.

# **Key Contacts**

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Department	Phone/Website	Fax/Email
HHAeXchange Support	1-855-400-4429	HHA Client Support Portal
TurningPoint	501-263-8850 Toll-free: 1-866-619-7054	501-588-0994
NIA Advanced Imaging (MRI, CT, PET)	1-866-500-7685 <u>RadMD.com</u>	N/A
Envolve Vision	1-844-280-6792 VisionBenefits.EnvolveHealth.com	N/A
EDI Claims Assistance	1-800-225-2573 ext. 6075525	EDIBA@centene.com

## Need to Contact Us?

## **Provider Services Call Center**



#### First line of communication

Arkansas Total Care Provider Services Call Center

► 1-866-282-6280 TTY: 771

Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 8AM to 5PM (Central Standard Time)

# Provider Service Representatives can assist with questions regarding:

- ► Eligibility
- Authorizations
- Claims
- Payment inquiries

- ► Negative Balance reports
- Appeals
- ► Check Re-issue
- ► Secure Portal Password reset

## **Provider Inquiries**



- After speaking with a Provider Services Representative, you will receive a reference number, which will be used to track the status of your inquiry.
- If you need to contact your assigned Provider Relations Representative, you must have the following when submitting an email inquiry:
  - Reference number assigned by the Provider Services Call Center
  - Provider Name
  - Tax ID
  - National Provider Identifier (NPI)
  - Summary of the issue
  - Claim numbers (if applicable)

## **Provider Contracting**



**FOR MEMBERS** FOR PROVIDERS **CONTACT US** FOR PROVIDERS Become A Provider Login Thank you for your interest in participating with Arkansas Total Care. We are excited for the chance to work with you to provide high-quality care. Become a Provider If you are interested in joining our network call toll free 1-844-631-6830 or fill out the form below. Pharmacy As a Arkansas Total Care provider, you can rely on: **Provider Webinars** A comprehensive approach to care for your patients through disease management programs, healthy behavior Provider Resources 0 incentives and 24-hour toll-free access to bi-lingual registered nurses Provider News Initial and ongoing provider education through orientations, office visits, training and updates A dedicated claims team to ensure prompt payment Grievance and Appeals Minimal referral requirements and limited prior authorizations A dedicated provider relations team to keep you informed and maintain support in persor QI Program The ability to check member eligibility, authorization and claims status online To join our network, select Become Healthcare collateral for your patients (e.g., information about our benefits and services) your office a Provider from the For Providers Legal Practice Name or DBA \* Specialty \* tab on our website. You must currently be a participating Practice Address \* Arkansas Medicaid provider.

## **Contracting Department**





**Phone Number:** 1-844-631-6830

Hours of Operation: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. CT





Provider Contracting Email Address: ArkansasContracting@centene.com

Regular contracting inquiries and contract requests

## Credentialing





#### **Credentialing Department**

Phone: 1-844-263-2437

Fax: 1-844-357-7890



## **Provider Credentialing Email:**

ArkCredentialing@centene.com

## **Questions?**





Please submit any questions by using the Q&A feature in Zoom

OR



Send an email with "Provider Webinar" in the subject line to:

Providers@ArkansasTotalCare.com



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