



Tennessee Health Care Innovation Initiative

Provider Stakeholder Group

May 20th, 2015

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PCMH/Health Home TAG nominations

- As a reminder, PCMH and Health Home TAG nominations are due to the state on **Friday, May 29th**. You may nominate multiple providers.
 - For the **Health Home TAG** we are seeking: Licensed mental health providers, primary care providers, care coordinators, patient navigators, practice administrators
 - For the **PCMH TAG** we are seeking: Primary care providers, licensed mental health providers, pediatricians, care coordinators, patient navigators, practice administrators

- For each nominee, please provide the following information. All nominations are due to payment.reform@tn.gov
 - Nominee Name:
 - Name of TAG nominated for (PCMH or Health Homes):
 - Email address:
 - Phone number:
 - Specialty area:
 - Practice location (City):
 - Practice name/Facility affiliation:
 - A brief description of prior experience working in PMCH and/or integrated behavioral health (not required):
 - A brief description of why the nominee would be a good TAG member:

Update on the Tennessee Health Care Innovation Initiative (2/2)

■ *Staffing update*

- We have added several team members to the Strategic Planning and Innovation Group over the past few months. To streamline communications, we wanted to clarify with the group our roles:
 - Episodes of Care: Sarah Gregosky (sarah.k.allen@tn.gov) and Mike Gibbs (michael.gibbs@tn.gov)
 - PCMH and Health Homes: Karly Schledwitz (karly.schledwitz@tn.gov) and Julia Harris (julia.harris@tn.gov)
 - Care Coordination Tool: Laura Gestaut (laura.gestaut@tn.gov)
 - Payer Coalition and Provider Stakeholder Group meeting materials: Jo-Ann Ledford (jo-ann.ledford@tn.gov)

■ *New Tennessee Health Care Innovation Initiative newsletter*

- The initiative has launched a new newsletter to update interested stakeholders on the initiative's progress.
- If you did not receive the newsletter and are interested in receiving, please let us know.
- To sign up for these updates, please email payment.reform@tn.gov
- Please check your spam filter to make sure these emails are not getting stuck.

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- Based on updated information, all of the TennCare MCOs are raising perinatal thresholds. The acceptable threshold is rising to \$7,783, which is \$340 higher than before. Each MCO is also increasing its commendable threshold to balance the rewards with penalties.
- These changes favor providers:
 - All thresholds were calculated using the same methodology as before, with updated data. The revised commendable thresholds will be communicated directly to each PAP and included in the next episode of care reports scheduled for delivery to providers next week.
- More information on the changes:
 - In a small number of unique cases the claims related to a birth do not include a professional claim. Under the previous definition the episode would be assigned to the provider who submitted the facility claim. These episodes will now be excluded and not count on any provider's episode reports.
 - In some cases the universe of claims for an episode excluded costs associated with the mother or included costs associated with the child. These situations have been corrected.

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- In most cases, the changes had little impact on the average episode costs for perinatal providers. However in 13 cases, providers who were not in the penalty zone in their November preview report will now be in the penalty zone in at least one of the preview reports they receive from their MCOs because of the changes.
 - Those 13 providers will receive a letter and a follow-up contact from the MCO, who will work with the provider to mitigate adverse impact to the provider.

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- The state will host episode design feedback sessions on June 18 on acute asthma exacerbation, perinatal and total joint replacement. The design of each of these episodes is based on advice from clinicians from across the state who participated in Technical Advisory Groups. Now we would like to ask all providers to weigh in on what is working well with these episodes' design and where providers would suggest changes for next year.
- We will host the meeting in Nashville (At the Mid-Cumberland Regional Health Office), but videoconferencing will be available at **4 other sites across the state**, including Knoxville, Johnson City, Jackson and Memphis. Detailed location information is available in the RSVP link below.

Thursday, June 18, 2015

Acute Asthma Exacerbation:
9:00AM CT – 10:30AM CT

Perinatal:
11:30AM – 1PM CT

Total Joint Replacement:
2PM – 3:30PM CT



- [RSVP: Click here to register for a session and select your meeting location](#)
- We encourage you to submit questions and recommendations in advance of the meeting to payment.reform@tn.gov