## FEDERAL MEDICAID NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID

Pursuant to and 42 CFR 447.205, the director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (department) gives notice of the department's intent to change its methods and standards for Medicaid payment for 2025 program year (PY) to entities participating in the department's Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) model, known in Ohio as the Comprehensive Primary Care (CPC) Program.

The CPC program, including CPC for Kids, was established as an investment in primary care infrastructure to support improved population health outcomes. CPC is a patient-centered medical home program, a team-based care delivery model led by a primary care entity that comprehensively manages a patient's needs. Under this program, in addition to existing payment arrangements, participating entities receive a prospective per-member per-month payment for attributed members and may be eligible to earn shared savings payments if certain efficiency and clinical quality requirements are met.

Program year 2025 updates include simplifying language in the state plan, adding "certified nurse midwife" to the list of program eligible provider types, removing "within 24 hours of initial request" and adding "24/7 and same day access" to primary care provider activity requirement to align with program intent, and removing the example of Comprehensive Maternal Care in the list of member exclusions for the CPC program. The department does attribute members in the CMC program to the CPC program, but only one payment for one alternative payment model program is paid at a time.

The CPC program operates concurrently with the Ohio Comprehensive Maternal Care (CMC) primary care case management program, which started its first program year in 2023, using the same federal authority sought for federal financial participation; however, it targets a different population of Medicaid covered individuals. Any Ohio Medicaid members attributed to the department's CPC program are attributed to CMC entities for prenatal care and for up to three months postpartum. To avoid duplicative payment for services, CPC incentive payments are turned off while a mom is engaging with a CMC entity, per CMS guidelines. CPC incentive payments are turned back on postpartum for members attributed to both programs.

Participation in the CPC program is voluntary for eligible Ohio Medicaid providers and for eligible Medicaid covered individuals. Various state plan services may be included in the care provided through the CPC program, but the policy change described in this notice does not change payment rates or methodologies for Medicaid services.

Implementation of this change in the methods and standards for setting payment rates is expected to have no impact on annual aggregate expenditures for Medicaid services.

Any person may examine and obtain a copy of the changes, without charge, at the following locations:

Ohio Department of Medicaid, 50 West Town Street, Fourth Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215; Any county department of job and family services; or

On the internet at <u>http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us</u> by searching Ohio Administrative Code rule 5160-19-01: "Comprehensive primary care (CPC) program: eligible providers" and 5160-19-02: "Comprehensive primary care (CPC) program: payments."

Written comments regarding these changes may be sent to the Ohio Department of Medicaid, Attn.: Meredith Schram, 50 West Town Street, Fourth Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414 and may be reviewed at the same location. Comments may also be provided by e-mail at the following address: <u>Meredith.schram@medicaid.ohio.gov</u>, Office of Strategic Initiatives. Comments must be received by **12/31/24**.

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