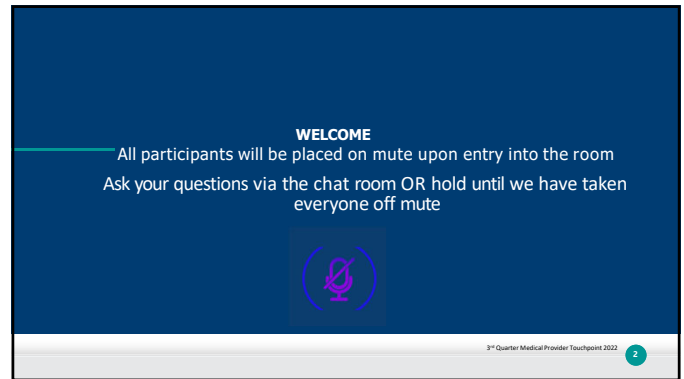
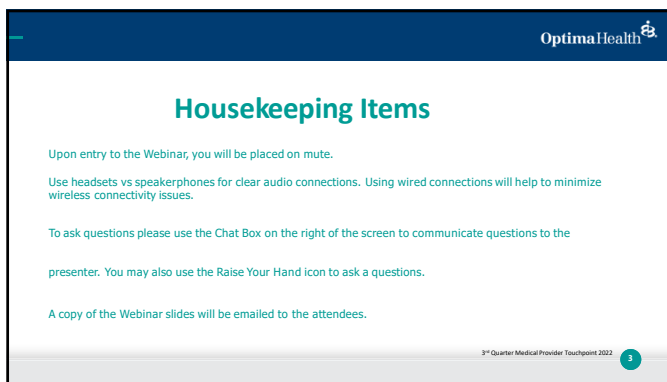


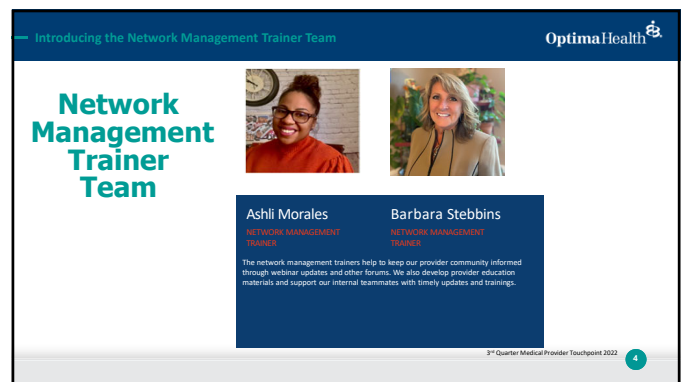
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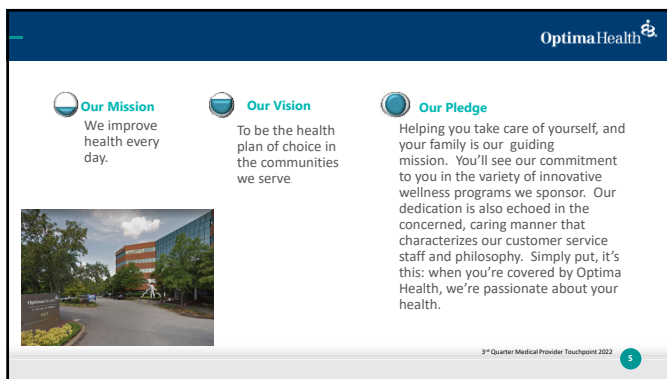
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Quarterly Agenda

- What's New at Optima Health?** – Timely review of new relationships, products, services, or other changes.
- Update/Follow-up** – Highlight general useful information.
- Billing Updates** – Billing Information and Updates
- Member Experience** – Review products, services, and programs useful for our members.
- Important Reminders** – Review training and regulatory requirements, deadlines, etc.
- COVID-19 Update** – COVID-19 Review, New Information, Updates
- Question and Answers**

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Medicare Stars Focus for Q2 of MY2022

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Agenda:

1. Medicare Stars Focus Measures for Quarter 3 of Measure Year 2022
2. Continued Focus on Annual Wellness Visits
3. HOS Provider Discussion Checklist

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Medicare Stars Clinical Focus Measures

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Medicare Stars Focus Measures – Q3

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Breast Cancer Screening

Best Practices	Key Tips
Frequency of visits for women of average risk: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women between 40 & 44 have the option to start yearly mammogram screening • 1x a year if member is between ages 45 & 54 • Women 55 and older: Can continue with yearly mammograms or they can switch exam cadence to every other year • Note: Members can receive a \$25 reward from the health plan for completing the Breast Cancer Screening. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommend women approaching 40 begin yearly breast cancer screening • Develop a standardized screening policy to promote consistent screening • Be persistent with reminders and follow up with patients to ensure follow through • Educate patients about the importance of routine screening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many women with breast cancer do not have symptoms, which is why regular breast cancer screenings are so important.

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Medicare Stars Focus Measures – Q3

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Colorectal Cancer Screening

Key Tips:	Documentation Requirements:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage patients to have a colon cancer screening • For patients who refuse a colonoscopy, discuss options of noninvasive screenings and have FIT kits readily available to give patients during the visit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optima Health also partners with a vendor BioIQ to send members FIT kits to their home to perform a test. • Recommendation: Educate patients about the importance of early detection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient records must contain the date, type and results of all previous colorectal screenings • Note: Members can receive a \$25 reward from the health plan for completing their Colorectal Cancer Screening.

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Medicare Stars Focus Measures – Q3

Diabetes Care – Eye Exam

Key Tips:

- Refer patients to optometrist or ophthalmologist for dilated retinal eye exam annually and explain why this is different than a screening for glasses or contacts.
- Educate patients about the importance of routine screening and medication compliance.
- Review diabetic services needed at each office visit.
- Note:** Routine eye exams for glasses, glaucoma or cataracts do not count. Must be a retinal/dilated exam.

Documentation Requirements:

- When receiving a report from an eye care provider: Make sure the date of service, eye exam results, and eye care professional's name with credentials are included for HEDIS compliance.
- Review the report and note if there are any abnormalities. If so, add the abnormalities to the patient's active problem list and indicate the necessary follow-up.
- Note:** Members can receive a \$10 reward from the health plan for completing their Diabetes Care Eye Exam.

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Continued Focus on Annual Wellness Visits

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Annual Wellness Visits

Key Tips:

- Maximize member encounters – this may be the only visit to address routine health exams and prescriptions. Utilize this time to address other once-a-year screenings (Fall Risk, Improving Bladder Control, Monitoring Physical Activity).
- Schedule a "wellness day" to focus solely on AWVs.
- The yearly "Wellness" visit is not a physical exam the member can complete both with no out-of-pocket expense.
- Be proactive! Evaluate opportunities to close gaps every time the patient is seen rather than only reacting to the gap closure reports.

Note: Members can receive a \$25 reward from the health plan for completing their Annual Wellness Visit.

Documentation Requirements:

Purpose: A visit to create and update a personalized prevention plan and perform a Health Risk Assessment (HRA).

Population: Patients new or existing to their health plan

Coverage: once every 12 months. (Must be 12 months after the IPPE)

Components:

- Perform an HRA (only for the patients first AWV after IPPE)
- Establish Family Medical History
- Establish list of current providers
- Measure BMI & BP
- Assess Cognitive Function
- Potential depression risk factors
- Assess Functional/Safety Abilities
- Establish Screening Schedule for patient
- Develop list of patient risk factors
- End of Life Planning
- Education & Reference to preventative services
- Review of Opioid prescriptions
- Screen for potential substance use disorders

Codes: G0438, G0439

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Health Outcomes Survey (HOS)

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Health Outcomes Survey (HOS) Reminder

HOS in flight!

- What is it?
 - The HOS is a member experience survey that affects CMS Medicare Star ratings.
 - Collects self-reported data from members and measures the perception of their health status.
- HOS is administered **annually**. The 2022 survey starts now (July 25) and will go through October 31.
- The survey includes two components:
 - Baseline survey
 - Follow up survey to the same respondents two years later.

Fielding July 25 – October 31, 2022

Regulatory HOS

July > Aug > Sept > Oct > Nov > Dec

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Provider Discussion Checklist

Provider Discussion Checklist ✓

Goal:

- Patients should utilize this checklist to bring questions and potential health issues to the provider's attention.
- Provide an easy-to-use checklist for patients to help them get the conversation started around uncomfortable topics.

Content:

- Visit Prep Tips (Med List, Member ID Card, etc.)
- Discussion Checklist (as seen on the right)
- Wellness Tips: Stay Active, Keep Your Balance, Maintain Your Bladder Health

Please refer to this document at a member's visit to begin discussions on HOS topics.

Not all members received the checklist mailer.

Wellness	Yes	No	Talk to Dr.	Bladder Health	Yes	No	Talk to Dr.
I prepare meals for myself that are healthy.				My bladder leaks sometimes when I cough, sneeze, or laugh.			
I have access to food and meals every day.				I may have a sudden and strong urge to urinate.			
I exercise, such as walking, biking, and yoga.				I feel like I have to urinate shortly after going.			
I can do household chores.				I am aware of treatment options for bladder leakage.			
I garden and can do yard work.				Medications	Yes	No	Talk to Dr.
I keep myself active during the day.				I know why I take my medications and how they help me.			
I want to learn exercises I can do while sitting down.				I always take my medications as directed.			
I am part of a community (neighbors, religious organizations, community center, social group).				I need help filling my medications.			
Fall Risk	Yes	No	Talk to Dr.	I take medications that give me other problems (dizziness, more urination, rashes).			
I have fallen and injured myself.				Notes			
I have trouble with stairs or walking.				Take this booklet with you and use this space to write down what you discussed with your doctor.			
I have trouble getting up from a chair.							
I am unable to balance on one foot for more than 10 seconds.							
I feel dizzy or light-headed when I stand up.							

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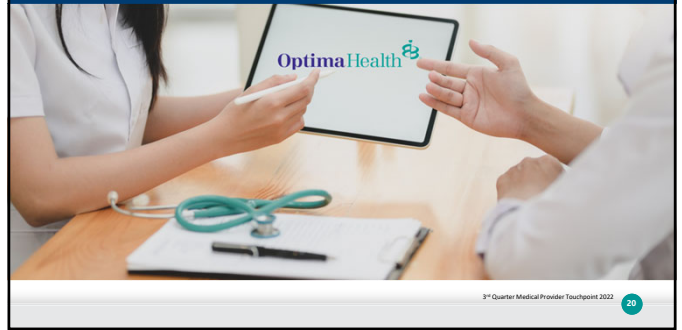
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What's New At Optima Health

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Optima Health Launching Doula Benefit for Pregnant Members

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Doula Program is now live, retroactive to 7/1/2022. Optima Health now offers a doula benefit for members covered by Medicaid plans (Medallion and Commonwealth Coordinated Care Plus). Benefits include up to eight prenatal and postpartum visits and support during labor and delivery. Doula support will be offered in addition to existing benefits, including OB/GYN and hospital labor and delivery services.

Pregnant and postpartum members are eligible for:

- eight prenatal or postpartum visits
- one doula attendance at the delivery visit
- Members must choose a community doula who has completed a Virginia Department of Health approved certification program.



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Medicaid Codes No Longer Requiring Authorization Effective 07/15/2022

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Medicaid Codes No Longer Requiring Authorization

A5500	A0429	95976	93655
L8030	A0427	95970	93657
L8035	A0425	95972	93462
L8000	A0433	95971	93568
L8440	A0225	95991	93567
L7510	A0430	95801	92971
L7520	A0998	93458	93563
L4370	A0422	93460	93768
L8032	A0420	93451	93566
94016	A0398	93653	93565
94660	A0394	93798	93786
94669	A0392	93459	93790
94762	95806	93656	93260
99177	95800	93650	93292
92072	95977	93654	93050

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Medicaid Long Term Services and Supports Screening in Nursing Facilities, Screening Restoration after COVID-19 Flexibilities

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This release shares vital information on a 90-day window (6/14/22 to 9/12/22) for nursing facilities to complete screenings on those residents not possessing a current, valid screening in the system. The most notable language includes:

"...To assure that individuals are held harmless going forward, DMAS will allow 90 days from the date of this bulletin for conducting LTSS Screenings for any individual residing in a nursing facility without a LTSS Screening."
 "...During the catchup time period, trained and certified nursing facility LTSS Screeners should complete a LTSS Screening for any individual who is or may be Medicaid eligible who resides in a nursing facility skilled, rehab, or long-term care/intermediate care but does not have a valid, authorizing, LTSS Screening."
 "...Going forward, nursing facilities shall follow all laws and regulations regarding Medicaid LTSS Screening and PASRR for MI, ID and RC. All LTSS Screening teams must ensure that required LTSS Screenings are signed and authorized by a physician and entered into the electronic Medicaid LTSS Screening (eMLS) system."

You are encouraged to review this memo in its entirety [Medicaid Bulletin-Medicaid Long Term Services and Supports Screening in Nursing Facilities Screening Restoration after COVID-19 Flexibilities-6.14.2022.pdf](#). Questions and inquiries may also be sent to the DMAS Screening Unit at screeningassistance@dmass.virginia.gov.

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DMAS UPDATES

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DMAS: Implementation of new rates from 2022 State Budget Appropriations

DMAS is working on the implementation of new rates, effective July 1, 2022, approved by Governor Youngkin on June 22, 2022. Fee-for-Service (FFS) rates and Capitated rates are currently being developed. All FFS rates will be loaded by July 15, 2022. Capitated rates will be loaded by September 1, 2022. DMAS will distribute additional memos to update providers on the status of rate development and loading.

At this time providers have the option to bill immediately under old rates, and later adjust their claims or delay billing until rates are updated.

- Optima will reprocess all claims retroactively once the rates are loaded
- Optima is targeting to have the impacted claims reprocessed by 8/19/22.

DMAS: Updates to Mental Health Services Manual

DMAS had made changes to Chapter IV, Cover Services and Limitations Chapter and Appendix E, Intensive Community Based Support Appendix of the Mental Health Services Manual, previously known as the Community Mental Health Services (CMHRS) Manual. To familiarize yourself with these changes, please view the July 1, 2022 memo <https://vamedicaid.dmass.virginia.gov/memo/updates-mental-health-services-manual>

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Partners in Pregnancy Case Management Referral Form

To assist the Health Plan with identifying pregnant members, Optima Health has added a Partners in Pregnancy Case Management Referral Form to the website. By following this link <https://www.optimahealth.com/providers/provider-support/provider-toolkit> you will find a Forms section in which the Partners in Pregnancy Referral Form is located.

You may print the form and fax it to **757-352-2694** OR **833-666-0706**, or for even added convenience, you enter the required fields and hit submit. Your submission will be sent to the Partner in Pregnancy team, who will promptly reach out to the member to assess any case management needs further.

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New Employer Group – Effective October 1, 2022

Hampton City School members will be covered by Optima POS

- Effective October 1, 2022
- Approximately 2,800 Hampton City Schools employees and covered members will be transitioning from Cigna to Optima Health.
- Optima is administering both the medical and pharmacy program.

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Provider Connection Self-service Password Reset Now Available

If you are an active Provider Connection user, you can save valuable time by enrolling in the self-service password reset process. Set up is easy and only requires two steps.

- Set up your security questions to activate password reset capabilities.
- Wait 24 hours so our systems can synchronize.

IMPORTANT:

- Login a minimum of once over 90 days to keep your provider portal profile active. If your account expires you may request assistance at ProviderConnectionsSupport@sentara.com.
- All Provider Connection Registration must complete a two-step login for added security.

NOT REGISTERED for Provider Connection click on this link to get started. <https://apps.optimahealth.com/providers/login/login.aspx>

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New ID Card Vendor – Effective July 5, 2022

Optima Health is transitioning ID card vendors from HealthLOGIX to Clarity on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, for all lines of business. This new vendor will allow us to provide a better experience to our members and valued physician partners with **improved digital ID cards** that mirror the familiar physical ID cards.

Once the digital integration is complete later this summer, the digital copy of the member ID card will mirror the physical member ID card. The switch to Clarity will be a seamless transition. Questions about this transition, please contact provider customer services at (800) 229-8822 (medical) or (800) 648-8420 (behavioral health).

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Avalon Genetic Testing Implementation Delayed to 2023

On **March 2, 2022**, Optima Health announced that our collaboration with Avalon will expand with the addition of a new laboratory benefit management program in addition to the Routine Testing Management Services launched in October. We have made the decision to delay this implementation until 2023. Additional information will be forthcoming when the new launch date is near.

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New Sleep Testing Services Program – Effective Date Rescheduled to October 1, 2022

Our new sleep diagnostic testing program, previously announced to become effective on **August 1st** has been **rescheduled to October 1, 2022**. This new program is in partnership with CareCentrx® for our Commercial, Medicare, Dual Eligible Special Needs Plans (D-SNP), and Medicaid members. Until **October 1, 2022**, all contracted providers will be able to provide home sleep tests for Optima members. However, for the following two codes, **G0399** and **95806**, you will need to be part of the CareCentrx network to continue providing these services after this date.

If you have questions about Optima Health services, please contact your Network Educator at 1-877-865-9075, **option 2**.

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Missing Baby Stats

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We have identified a recent trend in which we are not receiving baby birth statistics (aka baby stats), to include:

- birth date
- birth weight
- gestational age
- vaginal or c-section birth
- single or multiple births

This is causing denied claims and delays while we obtain the information.

Baby stats are required by DMAS and are needed for HEDIS measures. Please include baby stats with the original claim submission to avoid denied claims and other delays.

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Updates/Follow up

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Appointment Access Standards

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Product	Appointment type	Scheduling Standard (time between member request and appointment availability)
Commercial, QHP, Optima Medical, and Optima Family Care	Emergency (Medical and Behavioral Health)	Immediately upon request
	Urgent/Symptomatic	24 hours or as quickly as symptoms demand
	Optima Medical Care/ Follow up Behavioral Health Care/Post Care	30 days
	Initial Behavioral Health	7 days
	First Trimester	7 days
	Second Trimester	7 days
	Third Trimester	3 days
	High-Risk Pregnancy	3 days or immediately if emergency
	Postpartum	Within 60 calendar days of delivery
	Emergency	Immediately upon request
Optima CCC Plus	Urgent/Symptomatic	24 hours or as quickly as symptoms demand
	Behavioral Health	30 days
	Emergency	5 business days or as quickly as symptom demand
	First Trimester	14 days
	Second Trimester	7 days
	Third Trimester	3 days
	High-Risk Pregnancy	3 days or immediately if emergency
	Postpartum	Within 60 calendar days of delivery
	Emergency	Immediately upon request
	Urgent/Symptomatic	24 hours or as quickly as symptoms demand

* The Medallion 4.0 and CCC Plus standard for Routine Primary Care does not apply to routine physical examinations; regularly scheduled visits to monitor a chronic medical condition if the schedule calls for visits less frequently than once every 30 days; or for routine specialty services like dermatology, allergy care, etc.

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JIVA: Tips for Requesting an Authorization

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Since JIVA went live on May 1, we have identified a few helpful tips to make the process of requesting an authorization smoother.

View and print [Provider Portal: Tips for Requesting an Authorization \(optimahealth.com\)](#) this tip sheet is a helpful resource as you acclimate to our new clinical management system.

Also, the JIVA tutorial remains available for viewing. If you have not already done so, complete the [easy-to-follow tutorial](#), [JIVA Resources](#) | [Providers](#) | [Optima Health](#) today to learn how to navigate this new platform.

- Important notes:**
- You can view real-time decisions via the Optima Health provider portal under view authorization.
 - Automated faxes have been discontinued.
 - Make sure you are selecting clinical criteria as instructed in the tutorial.
 - Call Provider Customer Service for JIVA Portal questions. Give the agent your name, a return call number with area code and extension, and your question or description of the issue. If possible, write down error messages received or capture screenshots.

Medical Provider Customer Service	Behavioral Health Provider Customer Service
1-800-258-5823 Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Phone: 1-800-548-8420 Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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Virginia Medicaid Agency Launched New Technology Platform in April 2022

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The Virginia Medicaid agency launched a new technology platform in April 2022. Providers credentialed in one or more Managed Care Organizations will use the new Provider Services Solution (PRSS) to complete enrollment and maintenance processes. This change is part of the Medicaid Enterprise System (MES) project.

PRSS will be more efficient and make it easier for providers to access information needed as a Medicaid provider. You will be able to update licenses and certifications and submit required attachments through the secure portal. You will also be able to request participation with MCO health plans during the enrollment/credentialing process through the portal.

Providers credentialed in one or more Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) will use the new platform to:

- update licenses and certifications
- submit required attachments
- request participation with MCO health plans during the enrollment/credentialing process

Enrollment began June 1. To register for PRSS training, visit the [MES Website](#), [Provider Training Resources](#) | [MES \(virginia.gov\)](#). The available courses include:

- PRSS-111 Provider Enrollment Application
- PRSS-118 Introduction to Provider and MCO Portal Delegate
- Management
- PRSS-120 Introduction to the Provider Portal.

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Third Quarter Provider Edition Coming Soon

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The [second quarter issue](#) of *ProviderNews* is now available on the Optima Health website, [Provider News, Spring 2022 \(optimahealth.com\)](#). Featured articles include the following:

- Let's Talk About Advance Care Planning With Our Patients
- Avalon Genetic Testing Implementation Begins This Summer
- Adhere to Our Appointment Access Standards
- Preparing for CAHPS: Take Steps to Improve Healthcare Experiences
- Medicare Stars: Focus Measures for Star Year 2024 (MY 2022)
- HOS Season Is Approaching
- and more...



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Third Party Biller Denied Claim Form (4+ claims)

There is now a third-party biller denied claim form on the Optima Health website found in the provider toolkit found at this link <https://www.optimahealth.com/providers/provider-support/provider-toolkit>. You will be able to access the form as well as the content explaining its purpose.

NOTE: This form is for **Denied Medical Claims ONLY**, it cannot be used for BH claims

Provider Customer Service Claims Request:	
Billing Company Name	
Contact Person's Name	
Phone (include area code)	
Fax Number	

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Claims Project Request Template.

Please Note: When completing the claims project template, **the claim number MUST** be included. The inclusion of the claim number ensures that the claims project team can work more efficiently to complete your request.

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Claims Research Request									
Provider Name and Tax ID									
Member Name	Member ID	State number	Date of Service	Referral Number	Service Provided (CPT/HCPCS)	Provider NPI	Description of Claims Issue		

<https://www.optimahealth.com/providers/provider-support/provider-toolkit>

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Member Experience

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Optima Health partnership with DarioHealth

Optima Health is pleased to announce a new partnership to offer additional support to members with type 2 diabetes. **DarioHealth** helps people with chronic conditions, such as diabetes, to manage their health.

Is there a cost to Dario?	How do members find out about Dario?	What members are eligible to participate in Dario?	Members that may not qualify?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dario is covered by Optima Health at no cost to eligible members. In other words, there are no copays or cost-sharing applied to the Dario program for members. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medicaid and D-SNP members over 18 with type 2 diabetes are identified by claims data and this information is shared with Dario. They will receive an email or letter offering the program with a phone number and website to enroll. We encourage members to enroll. Eligible members may be invited to enroll based on their individual needs; enrollment experiences may vary by eligible member. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optima Health Medicaid and D-SNP members, who meet the criteria, are eligible: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> are covered by an Optima Health Medicaid or D-SNP plan Are at least 18 years of age Have been diagnosed with type 2 diabetes Own a smartphone to use the app 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members may not qualify if they are pregnant or have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> liver failure end-stage renal disease had an organ transplant or bone marrow transplant cystic fibrosis other exclusionary conditions <p>If you have questions about Dario, please reach out to Dario Member Services at 1-888-854-5786(TTY: 711).</p>

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Member assistance transitioning from acute care or requires specific education.

Whether a member needs assistance transitioning from acute care or requires disease specific education, Optima Health has a team of clinicians to assist members in meeting their health goals. Typical referrals to our clinical team include:

- Members with complex medical issues who utilize multiple services
- Members who are non-adherent with treatment plans
- Members who frequently utilize services without consulting PCP or Specialist
- Members who frequently utilize the ER
- Members who could benefit from disease management of heart failure, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, asthma, COPD or obesity
- Neonatal care for premature and medically complex newborns

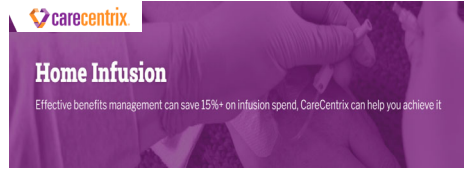
Medical Provider Relations **Customer Service 1-800-229-8822** available **Monday-Friday 8am-5pm**. Members can call member services from **8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday** at the phone number listed on their Member ID card.

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CareCentrix Manages Home Infusion Therapy

Members will receive a notice announcing Optima Health's partnership with CareCentrix to manage the Home Infusion Therapy (HIT) needs of our members who need independent home infusion therapy.



Home Infusion
Effective benefits management can save 15%+ on infusion spend. CareCentrix can help you achieve it

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CDC National Diabetes Prevent Program (DPP)

Two participating Health plans Anthem & Optima Health are working in grant-funded collaboration with VDH and DMAS to enroll a total of 200 Medicaid members by June 30, 2022. However, the program currently only has about 60 enrolled members. VDH and DMAS have requested that we continue our efforts to enroll members for another couple of months as well as re-educate our provider groups on the pilot.

NOTES from the 3/22/22 meeting (DPP Program – Provider Help):

- Year-long pilot for Medicaid members. Through June 2023
- Need providers to help identify members to enroll in the program
- Anthem and Optima are the only participating health plans at this time
- Members receive program support for participating
- Goals
 - Weight loss
 - Feel better
 - Reduce risk
- We don't want specific providers targeted, but all providers to be educated and refer any Medicaid members to this program

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Important Reminders

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Ensure Your Online Provider Directory Information is Accurate

Optima Health partners with LexisNexis to maintain its online provider directory. As a reminder, LexisNexis will contact you via email, fax, and/or phone to complete the directory verification process. The purpose is to help our members select in-network providers, choose health plans, and obtain access to care. Please take a moment to view and verify the accuracy of your profile as unverified provider information cannot be included in our online directory.

Here is what you need to do:

- Respond quickly
- Register for the Verify Health Care Portal and log in to confirm that all details are correct. If you registered for the portal previously, use your existing credentials to log in.
- Use one of the following browsers: Mozilla Firefox, Microsoft Edge, or Google Chrome.
- Seek help if needed by contacting LexisNexis Risk Solutions Tech Support at healthcare.custhelp.com/app/ask. Ask a Question (custhelp.com)
- The portal is a secure, free website for our Optima Health provider network to confirm directory information. Thank you for assisting us with this process and for your timely response.

Note: Keeping your information up-to-date makes it easy to comply with your Optima Health provider participation agreement and the requirements set by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS).

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Provider Relations Key Contacts

When addressing/escalating concerns with your network educator about Optima Health policies and procedures please note the number dialed, date and time, and the person with whom spoken. Having these details enables us to conduct better research and properly/thoroughly re-educate, whether internally or externally.

Provider Relations

- Member Eligibility/benefit information
- Claims Questions
- Data Requests

Network Educator

- Product and service updates
- Ensure compliance with provider contract
- Keeping you current on our educational content and resources
- Updating provider contact information
- Addressing any special needs, concerns or complex situations

Provider Relations Medical

Phone: 1-800-229-8822
Fax: 757-552-7316
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. M-F

24-Hour Interactive Voice Response

Phone: 757-552-7474 or 1-800-229-8822, option 2

Clinical Care Services Pre-Auth

Government Plans (888) 946-1167 Medical & Drug Questions
Commercial (800) 229-5522 Medical & Drug Questions
Behavioral Health: 1-800-648-8420

Please use the www.optimahealth.com/provider-website Contact Us option on the top right hand corner of our webpage to get access to the most up to date phone numbers, email addresses and other addresses.

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Reconsiderations

A request for reconsideration is a re-billed or corrected claim for same patient, date of service(s) and/or procedure(s)

Electronic Reconsiderations can be done FASTER on www.optimahealth.com to change CPT, Diagnosis, Place of Service, Quantity & Correct Charges (does not apply to behavioral health)

Be sure to reconsider the ENTIRE claim

Paper requests for reconsideration of a claim denial must include the claim or copy of the remit, any supporting documentation, and the "Provider Reconsideration Form or Behavioral Health Reconsideration Form" (found on <https://www.optimahealth.com/providers/billing-and-claims/coverage-decisions-and-appeals>) and mailed to:

Medical Claims PO
Box 5028
Troy, MI 48007-5028

Behavioral Health Claims PO
Box 1440
Troy, MI 48007-5028

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Provider Directory

Please review the Online Provider Directory

Please review the online provider directory routinely or call provider services for the status of your providers. For SHP providers a written notice to SHP should be provided within 60 days of the occurred change.

Confirm the following for the Online Provider Directory during provider visits:

- Providers who have joined/left the practice
- Service Addresses (Do not list locations where they do not regularly see patients)
- Specific products under contract
- Accepting New Members (Panel Status)
- Public Transportation Availability
- Digital Contact Information (email address or website)

Additional Provider Information

Note: List a provider's subspecialty in the directory only when approved by Credentialing. Notify credentialing if you want to add a subspecialty to a provider that was previously submitted to credentialing without that subspecialty.

www.optimahealth.com/providers/provider-support

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Register for Our Upcoming Webinars

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We invite providers to join our upcoming webinars. See dates and registration links below:

- Quarterly Provider Webinar August 3 at 10 AM
- Let's Talk Behavioral Health on August 9 at 10 AM
- Quarterly Provider Webinar August 10 at 1 PM
- Quarterly Provider Webinar November 2, at 10 AM
- Quarterly Provider Webinar November 9, at 1 PM
- Let's Talk Behavioral Health on November 8, at 10 AM
- Claims Brush Up September 7 at 10 AM
- Claims Brush Up December 7 at 11 AM

<https://www.optimahealth.com/providers/webinars/>

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Updating and Certifying Provider Data in NPDES

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The National Plan & Provider Enumeration System (NPDES) requires contracted healthcare providers to maintain accurate Provider Data. As you may know, providers are legally required to keep their NPDES data current. The centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is also encouraging Medicare Advantage Organizations to use NPDES as a resource for our online provider directories. By using NPDES, we can decrease the frequency by which we contact you for updated directory information and provide more reliable information to Medicare beneficiaries.

Here's what you need to know:

- When reviewing your provider data in NPDES, please update:
 - any inaccurate information in modifiable fields including provider name
 - mailing address, telephone and fax numbers, and specialty
- Include all addresses where you practice and actively see patients and where a patient can call and make an appointment.
- Do not include addresses where you could see a patient, but do not actively practice.
- Remove any practice locations that are no longer in use.
- Once you update your information, you will need to confirm it is accurate by certifying it in NPDES.
- Remember, NPDES has no bearing on billing Medicare Fee-For-Service.

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Report Critical Incidents

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A critical incident is defined as any actual, or alleged, event or situation that creates significant risk of substantial or serious harm to the member's physical or mental health and safety or well-being of a member/patient. It includes, but is not limited to:

- medication errors
- severe injury or fall
- theft
- suspected physical or mental abuse or neglect
- financial exploitation
- death of a member/patient

Reporting critical incidents ensures member/patient safety, helps to avoid repeating errors, addresses areas of concern and complies with regulatory reporting requirements. Immediately report alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation related critical incidents to appropriate protective services agency:

- Adult Protective Services (APS): (888) 832-3858
- Child Protective Services (CPS): (800) 552-7096

Within 24 hours, email or fax all Critical Incidents via the Critical Incident Report Form [Critical Incident Form_11092021](#) ([optimahealth.com](https://www.optimahealth.com)) located on [optimahealth.com/providers](https://www.optimahealth.com/providers).

Email: Optima_critical_incidents@optimahealth.com
Critical Incident Fax: (833) 229-8932 OR Call Optima Health: (757) 252-8400

We have prepared training materials, [Critical Incident Reporting Provider Education](#) ([optimahealth.com](https://www.optimahealth.com)) and an at a glance resource, [Critical Incident Reporting Flyer for Providers](#) ([optimahealth.com](https://www.optimahealth.com)) which both providing important requirement in greater detail.

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COVID-19 UPDATES

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How to Submit for the One Time COVID-19 Support Payment for Attendant/AIDES

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DMAS received federal approval to provide the one-time support payment for aides/attendants who provided agency-directed or consumer-directed personal care (T1019, S5126), respite care (T1005, S5150), or companion care services (S51350, S5136) to Medicaid members during the first quarter of the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022 (July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021). A roster of qualifying aides derived from Medicaid claims from July 1, 2021, through September 30, 2021, has been compiled. The final roster was distributed to providers via email in June 2022. The roster includes the following information which is necessary to receive payment for each aide:

- Member name
- Associated aide
- Payer source as derived from the claim

To receive the one-time payment, agency providers must submit a claim through their standard process utilizing either EDI 3 837P or DDE to the payer source identified on the roster using the HCPCS code G2021.

Very Important:

- The date of service for the claim is when the aide provided care for the member during the period of July 1, 2021, through September 2021. This can be a range of dates (including dates when services were not provided) or a specific date. **Be sure the date of service does not exceed the date the aide last provided service for the member.**
- The reimbursement amount is \$1,117.60. The amount over \$1,000 covers the provider's administrative costs, including required payroll taxes.
- Providers must not submit claims for members/aides that were not identified on the agency's final roster.
- If you have not received a roster, please send a secure email to CMS@DMAS.virginia.gov or call the MSIC COVID-19 Support Department at (888) 832-0856.
- DMAS is waiving the timely filing requirement for G2021 through October 31, 2022 for claims submitted after twelve months from the service date. For these claims, agencies must attach a Timely Filing Waiver. https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/portal/default.aspx?2022-06/TimelyFilingWaiver%20Attachment_6-9-22_Final.pdf
- A G2021 claim submitted with the Timely Filing Waiver that is received after October 31, 2022, will be denied for timely filing.

Additional billing instructions: <https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/media/5709/billing-instructions-updated-06-16-2022.pdf>

FAQs: <https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/media/5708/Faq-for-16-payment.pdf>

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COVID-19 FAQs Updated for Providers

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We recently updated our robust list of COVID-19 frequently asked questions (FAQs) document for providers. Certain telehealth flexibilities have been extended to August 31, 2022, and we will notify you of any extensions.

[COVID FAQs for Providers \(optimahealth.com\)](#)

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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Provider Frequently Asked Questions

RECENTLY UPDATED: OptimaHealth is pleased to announce the updated of the coronavirus (COVID-19) flexibilities, and the extension of flexibilities. The flexibilities have been extended through August 31, 2022, and we will notify you of any extensions.


DISCLAIMER: OptimaHealth has been monitoring the new flexibilities and determined the need to temporarily close certain telehealth flexibilities from January 1, 2022 through February 28, 2022. Extended telehealth flexibilities.

NOTE: Optima Family Care and Optima Health Community Care Plans:

- The Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) has waived certain provider requirements, including specific service authorizations and prescription drug limitations, and has also waived specific provider requirements, including prior authorization and prior review.
- Providers may not be eligible for certain flexibilities. DMAS will send guidance on 6/16/22.
- Medicaid or FFS member coverage have been discontinued effective March 1, 2022. No coverage will be collected from any Medicaid or FFS member in order to encourage all members to receive medical care and treatment. This is a temporary measure that will apply until the end of the health plan year.
- In regard to DMAS updates and guidance, DMAS COVID-19 because Page is being regularly updated. https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/portal/default.aspx?2022-06/TimelyFilingWaiver%20Attachment_6-9-22_Final.pdf


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Coverage of COVID-19 Vaccine Boosters and Alternative COVID-19 Vaccine Formulations and Preparations 

Optima Health will cover the following for all full benefit Medicaid and FAMIS members: 1) a second vaccine booster dose of either the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for adults, 2) a Pfizer[1]BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine booster for children ages 5-11 years of age, 3) the tris-sucrose formulation of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine doses for adults, and 4) the new booster preparation of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine.

Vaccines should be administered according to the latest CDC Guidelines. See DMAS 6/30/22 memorandum for additional details:
<file:///C:/Users/rwjenk1/AppData/Local/Microsoft/Windows/NetCache/Content.Outlook/N40YD6Y2/Coverage%20of%20COVID-19%20vaccine%20Boosters%20And%20Alternative%20COVID-19%20Vaccine%20Formulations%20and%20Preparations.pdf>



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Questions and Answers 





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QR SURVEY CODE 

Scan this QR code to take our quick survey questions




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