FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER (FQHC) PROGRAM

Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Applies To:

- Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)
- Changes to FQHC Supplemental Managed Care Interim Payments Resulting from Amendment to Managed Care Contract

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Effective July 1, 2020 the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) is amending the Managed Care Contract to require health plans to reimburse FQHCs one hundred percent (100%) of the MO HealthNet Fee-For-Service fee schedule amount effective on the date of service for the procedure code. Please refer to the MHD fee schedule and select the category specific to the type of service provided (i.e., Medical, Dental, Lab, etc.) for the applicable rates.

Beginning July 1, 2020, the MHD will change its payment policy for Supplemental Managed Care Interim Payments (MC Interim Payments) for FQHCs and will process MC Interim Payment requests on a monthly basis rather than quarterly. FQHCs may request one MC Interim Payment each month for each applicable fiscal year. Facilities should continue to submit a separate request for each applicable fiscal year and should not co-mingle dates of service for different fiscal years on one request. FQHCs are not required to submit a request each month but may submit requests as they deem appropriate for their facility (but no more than one per month).

The MC Interim Payment Requests must be submitted to the MHD on the new forms that the MHD will provide to each FQHC in July. The MHD will process requests for payment as soon as MHD staff reviews and approves them for completeness and accuracy. Please submit the new MC Interim Payment Request form to the following email:

IRU.Clinic@dss.mo.gov
If you did not receive a copy of the new FQHC Supplemental MC Interim Payment Request form or if you have any further questions regarding this issue you may send your inquiries to the e-mail noted above or you may contact the Clinic Policy and Reimbursement Manager with the Institutional Reimbursement Unit at (573) 751-5663.

**Provider Bulletins** are available on the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) Web site at [http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/bulletins.htm](http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/bulletins.htm). Bulletins will remain on the Provider Bulletins page only until incorporated into the provider manuals as appropriate, then moved to the Archived Bulletin page.

**MO HealthNet News:** Providers and other interested parties are urged to go to the MHD Web site at [http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/](http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/) to subscribe to the electronic mailing list to receive automatic notifications of provider bulletins, provider manual updates, and other official MO HealthNet communications via E-mail.

The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient’s eligibility status by swiping the MO HealthNet card or by calling the Provider Communications Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-751-2896 and using Option One for the MO HealthNet ID card.

**Provider Communications Hotline**

573-751-2896