

PerformPlus™ True Care - Maternity Care Providers

Improving quality care and health outcomes

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Dear Obstetrics Provider:

AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire is pleased to announce the PerformPlus™ True Care – Maternity Care Providers program, formerly known as the Maternity Quality Enhancement Program (MQEP). This program is a unique reimbursement system developed for participating obstetric, midwife, and family practice providers to deliver quality, cost-effective, and timely care to our pregnant members.

The program provides an opportunity for providers of obstetric care to receive incentive payments based upon their performance on the following maternity and perinatal quality measures:

- HEDIS® Chlamydia Screening in Women (CHL)
- HEDIS® Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC) Timeliness of Prenatal Care
- HEDIS® Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC)

Thank you for your continued participation in our network and your commitment to our members. If you have any questions, please contact your Provider Network Management Account Executive.

Sincerely,

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Chief Medical Officer

Introduction

The PerformPlus™ True Care – Maternity Care Providers is a reimbursement system developed by AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire for participating obstetric, midwife, and family practice providers who provide obstetric care.

The program is intended to be a fair and open system that provides incentives for high-quality and cost- effective care and submission of accurate and complete health data.

The program provides financial incentives over and above the provider group's base compensation for prenatal care service and postpartum care service. Incentive payments are not based on individual provider performance, but rather the performance of the overall practice in providing prenatal and postpartum care services in accordance with the quality metrics outlined in the program.

Program overview

Providers must meet the minimum number of deliveries in the measurement period to be eligible for the quality performance incentive. The incentive payments will be paid out semiannually, based on deliveries occurring during the measurement period. Quality performance is the determinant of the additional compensation.

The incentive payment is based on a practice's performance on the quality measures for women who have delivered. These measures are based on services rendered during the reporting period and require accurate and complete encounter and clinical reporting. Practices that have alternate incentive arrangements or risk-sharing arrangements with AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire are not eligible for participation in the program.

Quality performance measures

The quality performance measures were selected based on national and New Hampshire focus and predicated on AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire's preventive health guidelines and other established clinical guidelines.

The measures are based on services rendered during the reporting period and require accurate and complete encounter reporting.

As additional meaningful measures are developed and improved, the program's quality indicators will be refined. AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire reserves the right to make changes to this program at any time and will provide written notification of any changes.

CPT II Care Gap Closure incentive

There will be a \$20 payment at the time of the claim submission for each CPT II code submitted that closes the gap for the specified HEDIS measure.

Quality performance measures		
HEDIS Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC) Timeliness of Prenatal Care	Measure summary: The percentage of women who had a prenatal visit in their first trimester. Evidence is a claim or encounter data record of an in-person or telehealth visit with the prenatal visit date of service submitted to AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire. For your patients who have a first prenatal visit, closing the Gap in Care for Timeliness of Prenatal Care, please submit a claim with the appropriate CPT II with the date of service. CPT II code — Date of first prenatal visit – Incentive Amount 0500F — Initial Prenatal Care Visit — \$20	
HEDIS Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC) Postpartum Care	Measure summary: The percentage of women who had a postpartum visit on or between day 7 and 84 days following the live birth delivery. Evidence is a claim or encounter data record of an in-person or telehealth visit with the postpartum visit date of service submitted to AmeriHealth Caritas	

New Hampshire.

For your patients who have a postpartum visit, close the Gap in Care for Timeliness of Postpartum Care, please submit a claim with the appropriate CPT II with the date of service

 $CPT\,II\,code\, --\, Date\, of postpartum\, visit\, -\, Incentive\, Amount$

0503F — Postpartum Care visit - \$20

Quality performance

This component of the program is based on quality performance measures consistent with Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS®) technical specifications and predicated on the AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire Preventive Health Guidelines and other established clinical guidelines.

These measures are assessed based on services rendered during the reporting period and require accurate and complete encounter reporting. Please note that each measure requires participating Obstetric providers to have a minimum of five members who meet HEDIS eligibility requirements detailed next to the HEDIS measure to be considered as part of the component for the PIP.

Quality performance measures		
HEDIS Chlamydia Screening (CHL)	Measure summary: The percentage of women ages 16 – 24 who were identified as sexually active and who had at least one test for chlamydia during a calendar year.	
	Evidence is a lab claim or encounter data of chlamydia urine screen submitted to AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire.	
HEDIS Cervical Cancer Screening (CCS)	Measure summary: The percentage of members 21–64 years of age who were recommended for routine cervical cancer screening and were screened for cervical cancer using any of the following criteria:	
	Members 21–64 years of age who were recommended for routine cervical cancer screening and had cervical cytology performed within the last 3 years.	
	• Members 30–64 years of age who were recommended for routine cervical cancer screening and had cervical high-risk human papillomavirus (hrHPV) testing performed within the last 5 years.	
	• Members 30–64 years of age who were recommended for routine cervical cancer screening and had cervical cytology/high-risk human papillomavirus (hrHPV) cotesting within the last 5 years.	
	Evidence is a claim or encounter data of the cervical cancer screening performed and submitted to AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire.	
HEDIS Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC) Timeliness of Prenatal Care	Measure summary: See CPT II Care Gap Closure incentive above.	
HEDIS Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC)	Measure summary: See CPT II Care Gap Closure incentive above.	
Postpartum Care		

Practice score calculation

A rate will be calculated for each of the metrics above for each practice participating in the PerformPlus™ True Care – Maternity Care Providers. This rate is calculated by dividing the number of members who received the above-described services (numerator) by the number of members eligible to receive the services (denominator). This rate will then be compared to established targets in each payment cycle, see chart below. Providers who meet the established targets will qualify for payment for members attributed during each month of the settlement. There is no adjustment for age or sex of the member.

Quality Performance Measure	Target Cycle 1	Target Cycle 2
HEDIS Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC)	82.0%	82.0%
Timeliness of Prenatal Care		
HEDIS Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC)	85.0%	85.0%
Postpartum Care		
HEDIS Chlamydia Screening in Women (CHL)	56.0%	56.0%
HEDIS Cervical Cancer Screening (CCS)	85.0%	85.0%

Delivery Period	Claims paid through	Payment date
October 8, 2024 – April 7, 2025	June 30, 2025	December 2025
April 8, 2025 – October 7, 2025	March 31, 2026	June 2026

Social Determinants of Health (SDOH)

AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire will assess, identify, and address health care social determinants of health needs in the populations we serve, helping enable them to live healthier lives and achieve maximum independence. When you submit claims, please add the appropriate ICD-10 codes that identify social determinants of health. With your help, we will have actionable data and be able to respond to your enrollee's unmet needs. Codes related to SDOH are shown in the table below. The practice will earn \$5 per unique code and unique member billed in the measurement period.

Z55	Problems related to education and literacy
Z56	Problems related to employment and unemployment
Z57	Occupational exposure to risk factors
Z59	Problems related to housing and economic factors
Z60	Problems related to social environment
Z62	Problems related to upbringing
Z63	Other problems related to primary support group, including family circumstances
Z64	Problems related to certain psychosocial circumstances
Z65	Problems related to other psychosocial circumstances

Important notes and conditions

- The PerformPlus™ True Care Maternity Care Providers may be further revised, enhanced, or discontinued. AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire reserves the right to modify the program at any time and will provide written notification of any changes.
- Annually, the sum of the incentive payments for the program will not exceed 33% of the total compensation for medical and administrative services. Only capitation and fee-for-service payments are considered part of total compensation for medical and administrative services.
- Quality performance measures are subject to change at any time upon written notification. AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire will continuously improve and enhance its quality management and quality assessment systems. As a result, new quality variables will be added periodically, and criteria for existing quality variables will be modified.
- For computational and administrative ease, no retroactive adjustments will be made to incentive payments.
- If you have any questions about the PerformPlus™ True Care Maternity Care Providers or your program results, please contact your Account Executive.



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