

# Type of Health Plan

El Paso Health Medicare Advantage is a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) Plan. It is also a Dual Special Needs Plan (DSNP), available to those with Medicare and Medicaid coverage.

- Our plan covers original Medicare Part A and Part B services
- Offers Prescription Drug Coverage
- Members are required to see in network Doctors
- Provides Supplemental Benefits



# Eligibility Requirements

Beneficiaries must meet certain eligibility requirements in order to join our Medicare Advantage Plan.

- Must be entitled to Part A and enrolled in Part B.
- Must reside in El Paso and Hudspeth service area.
- Must have adequate Medicaid Assistance Program (QMB) (MQMB, STAR+PLUS)

Once Enrolled, Members receive a:

- Welcome Call
- New Member ID Card
- Notification of Elective Materials Letter This letter advises our members to contact Member Service to request any materials needed such as:
  - Provider Directory
  - Pharmacy Directory
  - Formulary



# El Paso Health Medicare Advantage ID Card (HMO D-SNP)



Medical Providers: For Members: In case of emergency, call 9-1-1 Electronic Claims or go to the closest emergency room. Availity Payer ID: EPF07 Member Services: Paper Claims: 1-833-742-3125 El Paso Health Medicare (TTY: 711) PO Box 971100 Behavioral Health Services: El Paso, TX 79997 1-877-379-7647 Eligibility & Prior Authorization Pharmacy Benefits: 1-833-742-3125 1-833-742-3125 Liberty Dental: 1-888-352-7924

\*Members must still continue to provide their Texas Medicaid ID Card along with their EPH ID Card\*

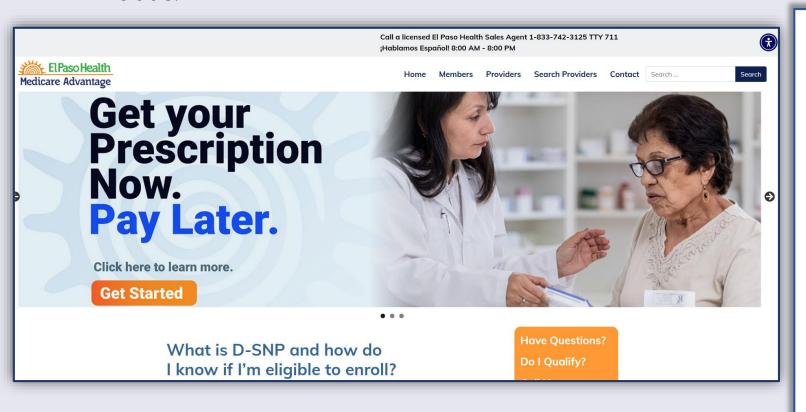


### **Provider Relations**



### Provider Website and Forms Available Online

El Paso Health Medicare <u>website</u> is available at all times to providers and have multiple resources to include:



#### Important Plan Documents for Providers

- Prior Authorization List
- · Prior Authorization Form
- Exception Request Form
- Provider Dispute Appeal & Request Form
- . Waiver of Liability Form Non-Contracted Providers Only

#### Claim Forms

Corrected Claim Form

#### **Contracting Forms**

- Credentialing Application for Organization
- Credentialing & Recredentialing Check List for Physician
- · Credentialing Check List for Organization or Facility
- · Secondary Locations Addendum
- DME Supplies Form
- W-9 Form
- Texas Standardized Credentialing Application

#### Miscellaneous Forms

- El Paso Health Payor Identification
- · Electronic Remittance Advice (835) Request Form



### Medicare Prior Authorization List

#### MEDICARE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION LIST Effective January 1, 2024

Prior-authorization is subject to all terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions related to the member's eligibility and subsequent medical review. Payment of claims is dependent on eligibility, covered benefits, provider contracts, and correct coding and billing practices. Regardless of prior-authorization status, medical decisions concerning a course of treatment are solely between the physician and the patient.

The following list of services require prior authorization. List not all inclusive. To ensure that we provide you a response prior to providing a service please submit your request at least five (5) days in advance. Requests for prior authorization may be submitted on-line, fax, or telephonic.

Online Portal: El Paso Health Medicare Advantage Providers Telephone: 833-742-3125

Fax:

915-298-7866 (Outpatient) 915-298-5278 (In-patient)
Toll Free: (844) 298-7866 Toll Free: (844) 298-5278

Service	Description
Ambulance	Non-emergent (air, ground, water)
Ambulatory surgical	Any procedure performed in an outpatient hospital of free standing ambulatory surgical center.
Behavioral Health	Inpatient Psychiatric     Partial Hospitalization
Cardiology	Cardiac Catheterization (not required for emergen or urgent care)     Cardiac implants (not required for emergent care)
Chemotherapy	Inpatient     Outpatient     Freestanding clinic     Doctor's Office
Chiropractic Services	After initial evaluation
Cosmetic Procedures	Required for prompt repair of accidental injury or to improve the function of a malformed body part. Breast prostheses for breast reconstruction if you had a mastectomy because of breast cancer.
Drugs and Medical Injectable	HCPCS codes beginning with C, J, or Q that exceed \$500
Durable Medical Equipment (DME) – over \$500, limitations may apply	Includes, but not limited to:  BIPAP  Bone Growth Stimulator  CPAP  CPM device  Custom Wheelchair Electric or Motorized Wheelchair Enteral Supplies  Hospital BedMattress

Service	Description
Service	Infusion Pumps Lift Devices Coxygen Rentals exceeding 2 months Socoters Speech Generating Device TENS unit Therapeutic Glucose Monitors Ventilators Wound Vacuum Devices Vagus Nerve Stimulator
Genetic and Molecular Testing	Genetic Analysis     Molecular Pathology Procedures     Genomic Sequencing Procedures     Multianalyte Assays with Algorithmic Analysis that include Molecular Pathology Testing
Home Health Services	Home IV Infusion Home Health Aide Occupational Therapy Physical Therapy Speech Therapy Skillied Nursing Services Social Work Services
Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBO)	
Inpatient Admission: Elective or Scheduled	Acute Inpatient Hospital     Inpatient Rehabilitation     Hospica     Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH)     Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital     Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)     Substance Use Disorder Treatment/Rehabilitatic
Orthotics	Exceeding \$200
Out-of-Network Services (unless services are for emergency care or out-of-area urgent)	Any setting
Part B Drugs (Medicare)	Clinician Administered Drugs exceeding \$500 Anti-cancer Blood Clotting Factors Dialysis drugs Intravenous Immune Globulin (IVIG) (in-home) Total Parenteral Nutrition (in-home)
Prosthetics	Exceeding \$200     Artificial limbs     Braces
Radiology	PET Scans
Radiology Sleep Study	PET Scans When performed outpatient

Surgeries  Outpatient Rehabilitation Services – Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Speech Therapy	Elective     Outpatient Hospital     Pre-Scheduled     Reconstructive     Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Facility
initial evaluation does not require Prior Authorization.	Cardiac Rehab     Occupational Therapy     Physical Therapy     Pulmonary Rehab     Speech Therapy
Transplants	All transplant services including, but not limited to, evaluation, transplant consult visits, HLA typing
Venous Procedures	When performed in office or outpatient

9912-15 PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FORM (ephmedicare.com)



### Provider Resources



#### **Monthly Highlight**

#### Flu Shots: There's Still Time to Protect Your Patients

A seasonal <u>flu shot</u> is the best way to help protect against the flu. Vaccination rates for Medicare Fee-for-Service patients vary by race, ethnicity, and geographic area (see <u>data snapshot (PDF)</u>). During <u>National Influenza Vaccination Week</u>, encourage your patients to get flu shots, and find out how you can help reduce vaccination disparities.

More Information:

### The Medicare Learning Network®

The Medicare Learning Network Logo

Free educational materials for health care providers on CMS programs, policies, and initiatives.

#### **Resources & Training**

Learn about CMS policies and programs at your own pace



- · Publications & Multimedia
- Web-Based Training
- MLN Matters® Articles

#### News

Get weekly Medicare Fee-for-Service email updates



MLN Connects® Newsletter



For Additional Medicare Provider Educational Topics: MLN home page | CMS

### Provider Resources

### **Important Information for Providers**

Providers can contact our Member Services for any Eligibility Inquiries, Prior Authorizations, Provider Forms, or any other questions.

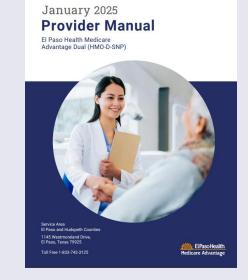
**Phone:** 1-833-742-3125 (TTY 711)

Providers are encouraged to review the provider responsibilities detailed in the <u>El Paso Health</u> Medicare Provider Manual at:

Website: ephmedicare.com

Local Office: 1145 Westmoreland Dr., El Paso, TX 79925

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 971100, El Paso, TX 79997





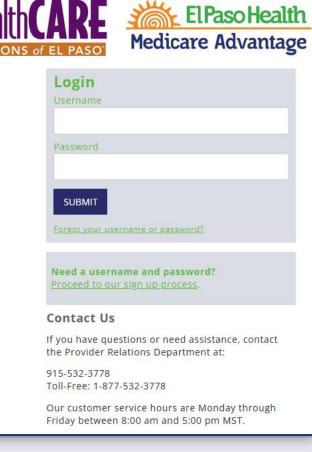
### Provider Web Portal Available

The El Paso Health provider portal allows providers to view eligibility status, benefit information, verify and submit patient claims, download reports / RA's and request prior authorizations.

#### **Providers** Provider Login Our partnership with each and every provider is essential. Together we share a common goal – to improve the health of the people in our community. El Paso Health+ is committed on working with our network providers to make processes easier so providers are able to focus on delivering the highest quality of care. Providing access to care is a collaborative effort and our strong network partnerships help to build a health focused El Paso Health If you need assistance, call us at 1-833-742-3125 (TTY 711), from October 1 to March 31, 8:00 am Advantage Dual SNP to 8:00 pm, 7 days a week and April 1 through September 30, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to (HMO D-SNP) 8:00 pm Mountain Time. Important Plan Documents for Providers Important Documents Prior Authorization List Quality Care Prior Authorization Form Services Exception Request Form Provider Dispute Appeal & Request Form Pharmacy & Drugs Waiver of Liability Form – Non-Contracted Providers Only Medicare Compliance Claim Forms Program Corrected Claim Form Model of Care Contracting Forms Provider Manuals · Credentialing Application for Organization · Credentialing & Recredentialing Check List for Physician . Credentialing Check List for Organization or Facility Secondary Locations Addendum DME Supplies Form W-9 Form · Texas Standardized Credentialing Application Miscellaneous Forms · El Paso Health Payor Identification Electronic Remittance Advice (835) Request Form

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**EPH Provider Portal** 

Download reports

And more!

Request prior authorizations

# Medicare Advantage (HMO D-SNP) Model of Care Attestation

### **DSNP Model of Care Attestation**

### **Model of Care**

### **MOC Training Materials**

Click on the links below to review the Model of Care training and attestation. Please ensure to submit the signed attestation form to verify the training was completed. Signed attestations may be completed by either filling out the PDF and fax/email back to Provider Relations Department or fill out and submit online form below.

2024 Model of Care Presentation 2024 Model of Care Attestation

Attestation for group: Individual Provider training requires an attestation. For a group attestation the form should be completed by the authorized individual on behalf of the group and must inclusde an attendance log.

For questions, please contact our Provider Relations Department for assistance via email <a href="ProviderServicesDG@elpasohealth.com">ProviderServicesDG@elpasohealth.com</a> or call us at call 1-833-742-3125.

Medical Provider/Group Name*	Tax ID*
Phone* format:9151231234	Email*
Form Completed By*	Position Title*
Date*	
Training Confirmation*  The Provider Model of Care tra	nining has been completed by the Provider Group above.
Submit	
*These fields MUST be filled out to	o register.

CMS requires all contracted medical providers and staff receive basic training about the D-SNPs Model of Care. The MOC is the plan for delivering coordinated care and care management to special needs members.

Individual Provider training requires an attestation. For a group attestation the form should be completed by the authorized individual on behalf of the group and must include an attendance log.

For questions, please contact our Provider Relations Department for assistance via email <a href="mailto:ProviderServicesDG@elpasohealth.com">ProviderServicesDG@elpasohealth.com</a> or call us at 1-833-742-3125.

<u>https://ephmedicare.com/medicare-compliance-program-2/model-of-care/</u>



# Provider E-News Updates

### Subscribe to El Paso Health's Provider E-news Updates

- E-News may include, but is not limited to:
- Provider Trainings/Orientations
- El Paso Health Policy Updates
- Weekly Memorandums





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# Contracting & Credentialing

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Providers are required to complete credentialing process every three (3) years.

Verisys is the State's vendor handling the primary source verification process for Texas providers.

Verisys will send the first recredentialing notice to providers 180 days prior to expiration date.

Providers that failed to complete the recredentialing process will be considered out of network.

I am already contracted and credentialed with El Paso Health, but I don't show as participating provider with Medicare, what can I do?

• Call Contracting and Credentialing or Provider Relations. You might be a contracted provider for the Medicaid programs, but not Medicare plan.

For any questions please contact us directly at the email or phone number below.

Email: <u>Contracting Dept@elpasohealth.com</u>

Phone: 1-833-742-3125

A Contracting and Credentialing Representative will respond to your inquiry within 48 business hours.



# Contracting & Credentialing

Providers must notify El Paso Health Contracting and Credentialing or Provider Relations of any changes to their practice, to include:

- Any demographic changes
- Practice name change or acquisitions
- New providers joining the group or leaving the group.
- Closing a practice locations or adding a new practice locations.
- Modifying practice hours or changing limitations
- Closing or opening panels

What forms do I need to send and where:

- Submit a provider demographic form and W-9 to <u>Contracting Dept@elpasohealth.com</u>
- 9591-1 EPH PROVIDER DEMO FORM (elpasohealth.com)





### Member Services



# First Call Medical Advice Infoline / Behavioral Health Crisis Line

El Paso Health Medicare Advantage (HMO D-SNP) offers members a medical advice info-line at no cost. Members will receive immediate information to take care of your medical or health concerns.

El Paso Health also offers members a crisis line for assistance with behavioral health.

- Staff is bilingual
- Interpreter services are available
- Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week





## **Urgent Care Clinics**

### WHEN SHOULD I GO TO AN **URGENT CARE?**

¿Cuándo debo ir a una clínica de atención de urgencia?

 Most medical problems are not emergencies. They can be treated in your doctor's office or at an after-hours care.

La mayoría de los problemas médicos no son emergencias. Pueden ser atendidos en la oficina de su doctor o en una clínica de urgencia.

#### **AVAILABLE**

### **EMERGENCY** ROOM **SERVICES:**

Servicios de sala de emergencia disponibles:

Severe burns

Huesos rotos

Quemaduras severas

- Chest pain Dolor en el pecho
- Severe bleeding
   Broken bone(s) Sangrado severo
- Cannot breathe Head injury No puede respirar Lesión en la cabeza
- Uncontrolled asthma attack Un ataque de asma que no se puede controlar
- Risk of hurting self or others Riesgo de hacerse daño a sí mismo o a alguien más

### WHY go to AN URGENT CARE?

¿Por qué ir a una clínica de atención de urgencia?

• An Urgent Care provides treatment to illnesses and injuries that are not emergencies but need treatment the same day.

En las clínicas de atención de urgencia se pueden atender enfermedades o lesiones que no son emergencias pero necesitan atención

 An Urgent Care provides quality treatment with less wait time than an emergency room.

En las clínicas de atención de urgencia se provee atención de calidad con menos tiempo de espera que una sala de emergencia.

### GO TO AN

### **URGENT CARE**

WHEN YOU HAVE A:

Vaya a una clínica de atención de urgencia cuando usted tenga:

- Cough Tos
- Cold or flu Resfriado o la gripe
- Earache Dolor de oído
- Vomiting Vómito
- Fiebre Diarrhea Diarrea

Fever

 Constipation Estreñimiento



# **AFTER** HOURS CARE

Atención después de horario

For more information, please call 1-833-742-3125.



# 2025 Supplemental Benefits

### El Paso Medicare Advantage HMO D-SNP Supplemental Benefits



• **24-Hour Nurse Line** – Access to a 24-hour, seven days a week bilingual (English/Spanish) medical advice line staffed by nurses and pharmacists. Assistance provided in multiple languages.



• **Transportation Service** - 96 one-way non-emergent medical visit transportation services every year. (48 hour notice required)



• **Dental** - \$3,500 allowance each year! It can be used for dental checkups, x-rays, routine cleaning, fillings, extractions, and dentures.

# El Paso Medicare Advantage HMO D-SNP Supplemental Benefits



Hearing Services - \$2,000 allowance every 2 years for hearing aids.



• **Home Delivered Meals** – Up to 14 healthy meals delivered to members who have been discharged from a Skill Nursing Facility or Hospitalization.



PERS (Personal Emergency Response System) – available to members in need of device.

 \$60 monthly allowance for the assistance of paying any of the following utilities: (Eligibility is based on Chronic Condition)



- Gas
- Water
- Electricity



# El Paso Medicare Advantage HMO D-SNP Supplemental Benefits



**Over-the-Counter** – Members receive up to \$300 each quarter for covered over-the-counter and hygiene purchases. Order through our Catalog Service toothbrushes, bandages, vitamins, shampoo, lotions, hygiene and many other eligible items. The \$300 allowance renews every quarter.

**Local Retailers**: Walgreens, CVS, Walmart, Dollar General & Family Dollar



**Healthy Foods** - Members will receive \$250 a quarter for approved healthy food and produce items to their OTC Visa card, and it can be used to buy approved nutritional foods at local Walmart's. (Eligibility based on Chronic Conditions)

Online: www.MomsMeals.com, www.FarmboxRx.com, www.GAFoods.com



# El Paso Health Medicare Advantage HMO D-SNP Supplemental Benefits



 Vision - Up to \$400 each year! Use it for routine eye exams, eyeglasses (frames and lenses), and/or contact lenses.



• Podiatry - Get ten (10) visits annually for routine podiatry care.



• **GetFit** - Members can use any of the local YMCA's by registering with their EPH Member ID card. Access to facility, Classes, Equipment, Swimming Pool, etc.

Any questions on Supplemental Benefits please call our Member Service Line 1-833-742-3125



### Supplemental Benefit Vendors

• **Dental Provider:** Liberty Dental 1-888-700-1246 or <u>www.libertydentalplan.com</u>

• Vision Provider: Envolve

**Eligibility & Benefits, Claim Status, Find a Provider** 

Hours: Mon - Fri 8:00am - 8:00pm EST

**Phone:** (800) 334-3937

**Fax:** (877) 940-9243

https://visionbenefits.envolvehealth.com



### Member Services Contact information

### Have Questions? You Can Call us of Stop by our Office. We are here to help you!

El Paso Health Medicare Advantage (HMO D-SNP) 1145 Westmoreland Dr. El Paso, TX 79925

### **Member Services**

**Toll Free:** 1-833-742-3125

**TTY:** 711

**Fax:** 915-532-2286

### **Hours of Operation**

October 1-March 31, 8a.m. to 8p.m. seven days a week April 1-September 30, 8a.m. to 8p.m. Monday-Friday



### Coordination of Care

### Coordination of Benefits

**Coordination of Benefits-** The process of determining the coordination of services and benefits for the member between their Medicare and Medicaid plans.

- Beneficiaries have no responsibility for Medicare cost sharing for any medical services based on their level of Medicaid
- Beneficiaries receive Extra Help for Part D Prescription Drugs.
- El Paso Health Medicare Advantage HMO D-SNP is the primary insurance for Acute Care medical services for all members.



# Case Management Program

Case Management has been included as an added service for members. The Case Management Program provides the following:

- Assists in coordinating services and the care provided to our members who have chronic diseases and/or conditions, in an effort to keep you as healthy as possible.
- Helps with directing you through the health care system, and assists with referrals and authorizations to help meet our members' needs.
- Specialized management options will be offered to support those members with chronic diseases such as diabetes, congestive heart failure, and many others.

CaseManagementReferralForm.pdf (elpasohealth.com)



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# Case Managers and Case Manager Assistants

When Members need care or access to benefits, it is everyone's responsibility to help coordinate that care!

El Paso Health currently has a team of 13 highly qualified case workers and 3 case worker assistants. Our case workers meet with our members yearly to perform Health Risk Assessments to evaluate their healthcare needs. The health risk assessments help us better understand the individual health concerns, goals, and barriers to staying well.



# Health Equity Unit



# Health Equity Unit

According to CMS, Health Equity means the attainment of the highest level of health for all people, where everyone has a fair and just opportunity to attain their optimal health regardless of race, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic status, geography, preferred language, or other factors that affect access to care and health outcome.

El Paso Health is committed to eliminating barriers to improve and maintain our member's health. The implementation of the Health Equity Unit to address **Non-Medical Drivers of Health NMDOH** also commonly known as **Social Determinants of Health,** will help us identify disparities related to the following:

1.	NMDOH -Food insecurity
2.	NMDOH - Utility Assistance
<b>3</b> .	NMDOH – Housing Assistance
4.	NMDOH - Transportation
5.	NMDOH – Education Assistance
6.	NMDOH – Economic Stability
7.	NMDOH - Neighborhood & Physical
	Environment
8.	NMDOH - Community and Social Context
9.	NMDOH - Personal Safety



### Non- Medical Drivers of Health Fundamentals

# Non-Medical Drivers of Health (NMDOH) Fundamentals

### Economic Stability

- Employment
- Income
- Expenses
- Debt
- Medical bills
- Support

### Neighborhood and Physical Environment

- Housing
- Transportation
- Safety
- Parks
- Playgrounds
- Walkability
- Zip Code/geography

#### Education

- Literacy
- Language
- Early childhood education
- · Vocational training
- Higher Education

#### Food

- Hunger
- Access to Healthy Options (Food Farmacy)

#### Community and Social Context

- Social Integration
- Support Systems
- Community
   Engagement
- Discrimination
- Stress

#### Health Care System

- Health Coverage
- Provider Availability
- Provider linguistic and cultural competency
- Quality of care

#### **Health Outcomes**

Mortality, Morbidity, Life Expectancy, Health Care Expenditures, Health Status, Functional Limitations



### NMDoH and Z-Codes

- Addressing NMDoH is a critical factor in reducing health care disparities.
- Providers can assist and support patients facing social challenges by:
  - inquiring about their social history,
  - providing guidance, and
  - referring them to support services, including referrals to El Paso Health.
- El Paso Health encourages the documentation of patient/member social needs identified during the appointment or assessment.
- El Paso Health encourages the submission of appropriate ICD10 z-codes when NMDoH needs are identified.
- Clinical Practice Guideline (List of Z codes)
   <a href="http://www.elpasohealth.com/pdf/Social%20Determinants%20of%20Health%20Clinical%20Practice\_%20Guideline.pdf">http://www.elpasohealth.com/pdf/Social%20Determinants%20of%20Health%20Clinical%20Practice\_%20Guideline.pdf</a>



### Please take this survey!

We want to understand YOUR process for assessing and assisting members with Non-Medical Drivers of Health.





## Non-Medical Drivers of Health Referrals

If you identified any member with NMDOH you can contact the Health Equity Supervisor.

#### Gabriela Mendoza

Phone: (915) 532-3778 Ext 1076





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# Prescription Drug Coverage



# Prescription Drug Coverage under El Paso Health Medicare Advantage (HMO D-SNP)

We are pleased to be offering Medicare Part D prescription drug benefits. Members may have prescription co-pays depending on their low income subsidy level established by Medicare.

- Mail-order is available- Quantity limits apply
- Formulary/Pharmacy directory is available upon request and can be found at: <a href="https://ephmedicare.com/pharmacy-drugs/available-drug-lists/">https://ephmedicare.com/pharmacy-drugs/available-drug-lists/</a>
- We have an extensive network of local and independent pharmacies





# Important Information about Prescription Drug Coverage

#### **Prior Authorization (PA)**

Some drugs require prior authorization. Provider must first show a medical need for before the plan will cover it.

#### **Quantity Limits (QL's)**

This places a limit on how much members can get at one time. There is a 30 day quantity limit on specialty prescriptions. Maintenance drugs are allows 90 day quantity as long as the Physician orders for 90 days.

#### **Step Therapy (ST)**

Members must first try another drug on the plan's formulary before they can move up a "step" to a higher tier drug.



# Prescription Drug Coverage under El Paso Health Medicare Advantage (HMO D-SNP)

El Paso Health has implemented a Transition Policy

The purpose is to define the process that supports a member's transition into prescription drug plans and to provide a temporary supply of non-formulary drugs. Members and situations affected by this transitional fills policy:

- a. The transition of new members into prescription drug plans following the annual coordinated election period
- b. The transition of newly eligible Medicare beneficiaries from other coverage
- c. Enrollees who switch from one plan to another after the start of the contract year
- d. Current enrollees affected by negative formulary changes across contract years
- e. Enrollees residing in LTC facilities
- f. Expediting transitions to formulary drugs for members who change treatment settings due to changes in level of care.

Navitus Health solutions has established a transition process for Part D beneficiaries to be consistent with the CMS Guidelines.



# Prescription Drug Coverage under El Paso Health Medicare Advantage (HMO D-SNP)

El Paso Health has several programs to assist our members in obtaining their prescriptions.

- Low Income Subsidy (LIS)- If the member receives extra help from Medicare to help pay for
  Medicare prescription drug plan costs, the monthly plan premium will be lower than what it would
  be if the member did not get extra help from Medicare. The amount of extra help members get will
  determine the total monthly plan premium as a member of our Plan.
- **Medication Therapy Management Program-** If the member is in a Medicare drug plan and has complex health needs, they may be able to participate in the MTM program. This Program helps members and their doctors ensure that their medications are working and it helps us identify and reduce possible medication problems.
- Medication Prescription Payment Plan- The Medicare Prescription Payment Plan is a new
  payment option that works with your current drug coverage to help you manage your out of
  pocket Medicare Part D drug costs by spreading them across the calendar year.



# Pharmacy Diabetic Supplies

#### **Diabetic Supply Brands (Monitor, Strips and Lancets):**

- Accu Chek
- Precision
- Freestyle

#### **Continuous Glucose Monitor Brands (Covered as of January 1, 2025):**

- Freestyle Libre
- Dexcom

#### **GLP-1 Drugs (Ozempic, Mounjaro, and Trulicity):**

- Require Prior Authorization
- Doctors must provide all clinical criteria for the PA to be approved by Navitus. A type 2 diabetes diagnosis is required.



# Pharmacy Benefit Manager

Navitus Health Solutions is El Paso Health's Pharmacy Benefit Manager for our Medicare Advantage plan. Providers (prescribers and pharmacies) may contact the Navitus Provider Hotline for questions regarding any of the following:

- Prior Authorizations
- Mail Order/Specialty Pharmacy services
- Point of Sale (POS) Claims processing
- Contracting and Credentialing



Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas Day)

www.navitus.com





# Quality Improvement



# Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement Program

- HEDIS Hybrid Medical Chart Reviews
- Performance Improvement Projects (PIPs)
- Quality Improvement Committee (QIC)
  - Adverse Events
  - Mortalities
  - Provider and Member Quality of Care
- Operations Improvement Committee (OIC)

- Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement Evaluation
- Provider Appointment Accessibility and Availability Surveys
- Medical Chart Reviews and Provider Education
- Provider Profiling and Data Analysis





### Clinical Practice Guidelines

https://ephmedicare.com/quality/clinical-practice-guidelines/



#### **Clinical Practice Guidelines**

**Asthma Clinical Practice Guidelines** 

**COPD Clinical Practice Guidelines** 

**Diabetes Clinical Practice Guidelines** 

Flu-Pneumococcal Clinical Practice Guideline

**Social Determinants of Health** 

<u>Guidelines For Medical Necessity Determination.</u> <u>Speech, Physical, Occupational Therapy</u>

<u>Guidelines For Medical Necessity Determination.</u> <u>Physical Therapy</u>

**HEDIS Medical Record Documentation Tips** 

H3407\_website CMS Accepted 10/09/2019 | Last Updated: 10/17/2024



# **HEDIS Medical Record Documentation Tips**

# BPD

Blood Pressure Control for Patients with Diabetes, Controlling High Blood Pressure CRP

- Include most recent blood pressure (goal <140/90)</li>
- Include B/P taken by member with any digital device for remote monitoring
- If initial BP reading is 140/90 or higher, repeat BP. May take multiple BP readings on same day. When reporting these - take lowest systolic and lowest diastolic reading as the representative BP reading on this visit.

#### **Eye Exam for Patients with Diabetes**

- Refer members yearly for dilated eye exam if diagnosed with retinopathy or every other year if normal eye exam (i.e., no retinopathy).
- When documenting eye exam in progress notes, include date, result and provider name or specialty.
- Eye exam must only be done by optometrist or ophthalmologist.

#### Glycemic Status Assessment for Patients with Diabetes

- Include most recent HbA1c level (goal <8%)</li>
- Ranges & thresholds do not meet criteria. A distinct numeric result is required.
- Re-check glycemic HbA1c later in the year if it is high.



# **HEDIS Medical Record Documentation Tips**

# TRG

Transitions of Care (18 yrs and older)

- Notification of Inpatient admission: Include evidence of receipt of notification of inpatient admission on the day of admission through 2 days after the admission (3 total days).
- Receipt of Discharge Information: Include evidence of receipt of discharge summary through 2 days after the discharge (3 total days) with evidence of the date when the documentation was received.
- Patient Engagement After Inpatient Discharge: Include documentation of office visit, telephone visit or telehealth visit of patient engagement within 30 days after discharge.
- Medication Reconciliation Post-Discharge: Include evidence of medication reconciliation and date when it was performed.

## Colorectal Cancer Screening (45-75 yrs)

 Include documentation indicating the date the colorectal cancer screening was performed.



- Medication Review: Include current medication list, or notation of medication review.
- <u>Functional Status Assessment:</u> Notation that at least 5 ADLs were assessed (bathing, dressing, eating, transferring, using toilet, walking), notation of at least 4 IADL were assessed (shopping for groceries, driving or using public transportation, using the telephone, meal preparation, housework, home repair, laundry, taking medications, handling finances.
- <u>Pain Assessment:</u> Result of standardized pain assessment tool, or numeric rating scales (verbal or written)



## Resources on Website

https://ephmedicare.com/quality/el-paso-health-plans-quality-improvement-program/

#### Explore the D-SNP Plan

- Supplemental Benefits 2025
- **Eligibility**
- Important Documents
- **Quality Care**
- **!!** Quality
- Coverage Decisions,
  Grievance and
  Appeals
- Rights and Responsibilities
- + Quality Improvement Program
- Clinical Practice
  Guidelines



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# Claims Process



# Important Information on DSNP Claims Processing

- D-SNP members are protected by Texas (State plan) and federal (Social Security act) regulations from balance billing, providers cannot balance bill and must accept the Medicare & Medicaid (if applicable) payments as payment in full.
- Coverage of Medicare Cost Share will depend on the services performed and Medicaid allowed amounts (Lesser of Logic or COB requirements for the state may be used).
- Federal rules dictate that Medicaid is the payer of last resort



# Important Information on DSNP Claims Processing

#### **Claim filing deadlines:**

- Claims must be received by El Paso Health within 95 days from each date of service (DOS).
- A clean claim will be processed within 30 days.
- The Provider should allow 30 days before re-billing any claim to avoid duplication of claims.

**Electronic Claim Submission Payer ID: EPF07** 

#### **Address for Paper Claims:**

El Paso Health Medicare Advantage (HMO D-SNP)
Attention: Claims Department
P.O. Box 971370
El Paso, TX 79997-1370

Corrected claims must be received by El Paso Health within 120 days from the disposition date of Remittance Advice notice.



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