



Weekly Provider News

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Updates to the Alliance Clinical Health Education Benefits

Effective April 1, 2016, individual clinical health education (CHE) rates have increased for Alliance-approved diabetes education services. Providers offering individual diabetes CHE as part of the Alliance CHE Benefit should receive corrected payments for services billed using the appropriate individual training code with dates of service on or after April 1, 2016. If providers have questions about their reimbursement, they may contact claims at 1-800-700-3874 ext. 5503 or the Alliance Health Education line at 1-800-700-3874, ext. 5580.

Effective August 1, 2016, individual clinical health education rates for asthma and lactation services have also increased for Alliance-approved asthma and lactation services. Approved CHE providers should receive corrected payment for services billed using the appropriate individual training codes with dates of services on or after August 1, 2016. Please refer to the Provider Website's **Health Education and Disease Management Programs** for appropriate diabetes, asthma, and lactation codes.

Effective August 1, 2016, the Alliance has approved changes to the existing Diabetes Education Benefit. The benefit will now be called the **Alliance Diabetes Prevention and Self-Management Benefit**. Group diabetes education hours have also increased from six (6) hours to 16.5 hours per year for eligible Alliance members 18 years of age and older diagnosed with diabetes or pre-diabetes.

This benefit will now include the following Alliance-approved diabetes education providers:

- Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) Education Providers
- Diabetes Self-Management Program (DSMP) Education Providers

All Alliance-approved diabetes prevention providers are required to submit a Referral Authorization Form prior to providing pre-diabetes education services to eligible Alliance members. To support your diabetes screening and prevention efforts, please download the Prevent Diabetes Stat Toolkit from the American Medical Association's website at <http://www.ama-assn.org/sub/prevent-diabetes-stat/toolkit.html>

For questions about the Alliance Clinical Health Education Benefits or for a list of Alliance-approved asthma, diabetes, and lactation providers please call the Alliance Health Education Line at 1-800-700-3874 ext. 5580.

Questions?

Contact your Provider Services Representative or call Provider Services at (800) 700-3874 ext. 5504