

State of New Jersey Department of Human Services Division of Medical Assistance & Health Services

# NEWSLETTER

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TO: Physicians, Advance Practice Nurses, Midwives, Independent Clinics, Hospital Outpatient Departments, and Health Maintenance Organizations – For Action

## SUBJECT: Vaccines for NJ FamilyCare Plans B, C & D Beneficiaries

### EFFECTIVE: July 1, 2014

**PURPOSE:** To notify providers who provide immunizations for NJ FamilyCare Plans B, C and D members of a change in the vaccine supply process. Vaccine shall be independently purchased instead of supplied through the NJ Vaccine for Children (VFC) program. The NJ FamilyCare managed care plans will be responsible to pay provider claims for both the cost of the vaccine and for administration.

**BACKGROUND:** Due to changes implemented by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the NJ VFC program on October 1, 2013, it has become necessary for providers of members in Plans B, C and D to supply vaccines from their commercial supply. The NJ VFC program will no longer be able to supply vaccines for this population. DMAHS will direct NJ FamilyCare managed care plans to pay both provider administration and vaccine supply claims, effective July 1, 2014.

**NOTE:** This change only affects members covered by Plans B, C, and D. VFC vaccine should be utilized for those children who are Medicaid eligible, covered by FamilyCare Plan A or meet VFC guidelines. Please see https://njiis.nj.gov/njiis/docs/vfcfaq.pdf for full VFC eligibility guidelines and further information.

**ACTION:** DMAHS will include the vaccine costs and administration fees for Plans B, C and D members into the capitation rate for NJ FamilyCare managed care plans with date of service on or after July 1, 2014. The NJ FamilyCare managed care plans will continue to reimburse Plans B, C and D providers solely for the administration costs of vaccination until June 30, 2014, and providers will continue to use NJ VFC supply for these members until that date.

**NOTE:** Providers can verify eligibility by calling the Molina Recipient Eligibility Verification System (REVS) which is accessed by dialing 1-800-676-6562 or 1-609-587-1955 in the local Trenton area.

If you have any questions regarding this Newsletter, please do not hesitate to contact Molina Provider Services at 1-800-776-6334 or the Medicaid Hotline at 1-800-356-1561.

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