Attribution of Members to Primary Care Medical Providers

Accountable Care Collaborative Phase II May 2018

The goals of the Accountable Care Collaborative are to improve member health while containing costs. To make these goals a reality, all Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) members will be enrolled in the Accountable Care Collaborative, attributed to a Primary Care Medical Provider (PCMP) and assigned to a Regional Accountable Entity (RAE). The RAE replaces the Regional Care Collaborative Organization and Behavioral Health Organizations and is responsible for promoting both physical and behavioral health. Each of the seven regions in the state has a single RAE for the region.

Members Are Attributed to a PCMP and Assigned to a Regional Accountable Entity

It is important for members to have a focal point of care, which is why the Department will automatically attribute all enrolled members to a PCMP. Once the member has been attributed a PCMP, they are then assigned to the RAE region in which the PCMP's practice site is located.

How Attribution Works in Phase II of the Accountable Care Collaborative

Attribution at the Start of Accountable Care Collaborative Phase II

Beginning July 1, all full-benefit Health First Colorado members (except for those enrolled in Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly [PACE]) will be enrolled into the Accountable Care Collaborative, attributed to a PCMP and assigned to a RAE. Members will be automatically attributed to a PCMP in this way:

1. **Utilization**: An ACC member that has a claims history with a PCMP over the last 18 months will be automatically attributed to that practice. Specifically, the member will be attributed to the practice location associated with the billing address on the claims.

2. **Family Connection**: A member that has no history with a PCMP will be attributed to a practice where someone in their household has a history, if the practice is appropriate. For example, an adult will not be attributed to a pediatric practice.

3. **Proximity**: If an ACC member cannot be attributed based on either utilization or family connection, the member will be attributed to the closest appropriate PCMP in the member's region.

Additional details on the attribution methodology can be found in the [attribution frequently asked questions](#).

The Health First Colorado enrollment broker will send members a letter to notify them of their PCMP and RAE assignment. Members may call the Health First Colorado enrollment broker to choose a different PCMP.

Ongoing Attribution

- The process described above will be used to attribute new members to a PCMP.
- PCMP to PCMP reattribution will be done every six months. If a member develops a stronger relationship with another provider, the member will be attributed to that PCMP. If the member requested a provider by calling the Health First Colorado enrollment broker within the past 18 months, the member will continue to be attributed to that provider.
- If a member loses and regains eligibility within 60 days, the member will be reattributed to the same PCMP. Members who lose eligibility for 60 days or more will be attributed as a newly enrolled member.

PCMPs can identify the Health First Colorado members attributed to them through the Health First Colorado Data Analytics Portal. PCMPs can also contact their RAE with questions regarding attribution.

What Providers Must Do to Have Members Attributed

- Be validated by the Department and enrolled as a Medicaid provider through the Colorado interChange. Providers that successfully revalidated do not need to do so

again.
- Contract with a RAE. Each site of a practice must be contracted with a RAE as a PCMP to receive attributions. For more information see our Primary Care Medical Provider Contracting Guidance Fact Sheet.
- Use the correct site ID in billing. Submit claims with the right service location ID and address where services are rendered, so the member is attributed to the right location. For guidance, see our Multiple Service Locations fact sheet.

For more information

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ACC Phase II Attribution Frequently Asked Questions

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