

To: All Providers Participating in the Nebraska Medicaid Program
From: Matthew Ahern, Interim Director
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Re: Clarification of Medicare Change Impacts Billing of Select Services for Dual Eligible Medicaid Members

This provider bulletin is being issued to clarify for Nebraska Medicaid providers recent changes made by Medicare that impact dual-eligible Medicaid members. Dual-eligible members are Nebraskans who are covered by Medicare and Medicaid. Medicare recently made a change to enroll licensed mental health practitioners (LMHPs), licensed independent mental health practitioners (LIMHPs), and marriage and family therapists (MFTs). **This bulletin is being issued to clarify guidance previously issued in [Provider Bulletin 24-12](#)**

Nebraska Medicaid will continue to cover services provided by Provisional Licensed Mental Health Practitioners (PLMHPs), Provisional Licensed Psychologists (PPHDs), Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors (LADCs), and Provisional Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors (PLADCs). Claims from PLADCs and LADCs will pay at the respective Nebraska Medicaid fee schedule rate. Claims from PLMHPs and PPHDs will pay at the lesser of the Medicare locality or Nebraska Medicaid fee schedule rate. This change will apply retroactively to services provided on or after 7/1/2024. Providers must contact their health plans to confirm how to resubmit claims for full payment:

- Molina: NEProviderRelations@molinahealthcare.com
- Nebraska Total Care: ProviderRelations@NebraskaTotalCare.com
- UnitedHealthcare Community Plan: [Behavioral Health Provider Relations Team](#)

Nebraska Medicaid encourages all applicable providers to enroll with Medicare as it is expected that the billing provider is enrolled with both programs. Medicare is the primary payer for services rendered to dual-eligible members by LMHPs, LIMHPs, and MFTs.

For more information, please visit [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-636-4227). If you have questions regarding this bulletin, please email DHHS.MedicaidMHSU@Nebraska.gov for more information.

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