



PathWays Preview

Managed Long Term Services and Supports Navigation Tool

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Welcome to this edition of PathWays Preview, providing data on topics related to contracting, enrollment, claims processing, care/service coordination, rates/reimbursement, government affairs, and upcoming meetings and webinars to help you navigate and prepare for the Indiana Medicaid program launching **PathWays** (known as Managed Long Term Services and Supports or MLTSS).



PathWays Overview Webinar: April 18

The Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning invites you to join an educational webinar on the PathWays for Aging program on Thursday, April 18, at noon ET. To register, [click here](#).



ENROLLMENT

FSSA reported recently that PathWays has noticed trends when nursing facilities (NF) operating as authorized representatives (AR) submit MCE plan selection spreadsheets for multiple individuals. Here are important reminders:

- NF must be an AR for each individual on the form. If the NF is not an AR, the plan selection cannot be made. Only report those individuals for whom the NF is an AR.
 - AR form must have been reported to DFR or Maximus directly for Maximus to have record of the AR form. Maximus is not receiving AR forms from Division of Aging or other entities.
- NFs are reporting plan selections for individuals who are not yet 60, or about to turn 60. Members must be 60 in order to participate in PathWays. Please only report individuals who are eligible for PathWays.
- NFs are listing an individual on the spreadsheet but not including a plan selection. Maximus cannot select a plan unless this information is noted. Please ensure an MCE is listed for all individuals.

Find the facility form [here](#). Providers should provide the AR details in the body of the email and the resident details on the spreadsheet.



RATES & REIMBURSEMENT

The nursing facility 7/1/24 Total Quality Score (TQS) report is now posted on the Myers and Stauffer website and can be accessed [here](#). Quality Program add-on amount, Profit Add-on Percentage, and related support can be found in subsequent worksheets in the report. For rates effective on or after July 1, 2024, the Quality Program Calculation will only be posted online with notifications encouraging review sent via email. Reconsideration rights begin effective the first date on which the file is posted. Providers have the right to reconsider this determination under 405 IAC 1-14.7.

The request for reconsideration must be in writing and signed by the provider or the authorized representative of the provider, contain specific reasons for the issues raised, and must be received by the office not later than April 20, 2024 [fifteen (15) days after this notification] in order to preserve appeal rights. Issues must be raised during reconsideration and timely filed with the office to be subsequently raised in an appeal.

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New Nursing Facility Rate Release Timeline

After further discussions with nursing facility providers, OMPP has agreed to modify the rate release timeline previously communicated in the March 20, 2024, announcement posted to the Myers and Stauffer website. OMPP will now be transmitting rates to Gainwell Technologies (Gainwell) for claims processing for 170 providers with qualified SCU and Ventilator units that are expected to have a positive cash flow without the resident specific SCU and Ventilator add-on payments when compared to the rates currently being paid.

This change is intended to help providers recognize positive cash flow earlier, in advance of the implementation of the PathWays program. Once Gainwell has finalized the programming for incorporation of the resident specific add-on, claims will be recycled and the resident specific add-on portion of claims will be paid to providers. Gainwell has confirmed this future claims recycling will not require involvement of the nursing facilities themselves as long as the claims were properly prepared.

Upcoming Meetings/Webinars

April 15, 10:30 a.m.: FSSA claims webinar with MCEs. [Register here](#).

April 16-17: IHCA/INCAL 2024 Spring Conference. [Registration Closed]

April 18, noon: OMPP overview of PathWays. [Register here](#).