



Provider Notice 13-51

Dear Provider,

Effective for dates of service on and after September 1, 2013, the Medicaid Program of the Health Care Authority (agency) is publishing a revised [Family Planning Medicaid Provider Guide](#) (MPG) and a new [Sterilization Supplemental MPG](#). The guide's revisions reflect recent changes to Chapter 182-532 WAC, Reproductive Health/Family Planning Only/TAKE CHARGE, and section WAC 182-531-1550, Sterilization physician-related services. (See [WSR 13-16-008](#).)

Highlights of Changes

- The *Family Planning Medicaid Provider Guide* has been revised to:
 - Comply with the federal waiver for the TAKE CHARGE Medicaid program by allowing incomes at or below 250 percent of the federal poverty level as part of TAKE CHARGE eligibility, and changing third-party liability requirements to allow clients with health insurance to apply for TAKE CHARGE.
 - Add mammograms for women 39 years of age and younger with prior authorization and for men when medically necessary.
 - Reflect the discontinuation of payment for application assistance related to budgetary decisions.
 - Change the time providers must forward the client's service card and related information to another address, if requested, from 7 to 5 days.
 - Reorganize, clarify, and update all information to increase understanding and accuracy.
- The new supplemental *Sterilization Medicaid Provider Guide* has been created for easier user access and more consistency, and includes:
 - Clarifying which providers may do sterilizations.
 - Updating requirements and instructions for the revised Sterilization Consent form (HCA form [13-364](#)).
 - Clarifying requirements for vasectomies, tubal ligations, and hysteroscopic sterilizations.
 - Updating how the Medicaid agency pays providers for sterilization.
 - Adding a requirement for national board certification for becoming an approved hysteroscopic sterilization provider.

For more details, see the "What Has Changed" table in both the [Family Planning MPG](#) and the [Sterilization Supplemental MPG](#).

Note: Sterilization cross references have been added in both the *Family Planning MPG* and the *Physician-Related Services/Healthcare Professional Services MPG*, linking to the new *Supplemental Sterilization MPG*. The *Supplemental Sterilization MPG* is added to the agency's [Medicaid provider guides](#) web page.

Thank you.

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