

June 3, 2016

MEDICAID ALERT

TO: All Providers

SUBJECT: PERM Cycle 2 (FY16) Provider Education Sessions

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) is participating in the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Payment Error Rate Measurement (PERM) review for claims paid Oct. 1, 2015, through Sept. 30, 2016. CMS offers provider education sessions in June and July to provide opportunities for the providers of the Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) communities to enhance their understanding of specific provider responsibilities during the PERM cycle.

The PERM reviews are designed to measure improper payments in the Medicaid and CHIP programs, as required by the Improper Payments Information Act (IPIA) of 2002 (amended in 2010 by the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Improvement Act (IPERA) and the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Improvement Act (IPERIA) of 2012).

The webinars will be held June 21, June 29, July 19 and July 27 from 3-4 p.m. Education session participants will learn from presentations that feature:

- The PERM process and provider responsibilities during a PERM review
- Recent trends, frequent mistakes, and best practices

The presentations will be repeated for each session. You will have the opportunity to ask questions during the live webinar and through the dedicated PERM provider email address, PERMProviders@cms.hhs.gov

Presentation materials will be posted as downloads on the Providers tab of the PERM website, <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Monitoring-Programs/Medicaid-and-CHIP-Compliance/PERM/Providers.html>

A list of webinars and access information is on the following page.

Thank you for your continued support of the South Carolina Healthy Connections Medicaid program.

Tuesday, June 21, 2016 3-4 p.m. EST

Access Information:

1. Please call the following number: WebEx: 1 (877) 267-1577
2. Follow the instructions you hear on the phone. Your WebEx Meeting Number: 996 196 415

To join this meeting online:

1. Go to <https://meetings.cms.gov/orion/joinmeeting.do?MeetingKey=996196415>
2. If requested, enter your name and email address.
3. If a password is required, enter the meeting password: This meeting does not require a password.
4. Click "Join."
5. Follow the instructions that appear on your screen.

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Wednesday June 29, 2016 3-4 p.m. EST

Access Information:

1. Please call the following number: WebEx: 1 (877) 267-1577
2. Follow the instructions you hear on the phone. Your WebEx Meeting Number: 994 831 426

To join this meeting online:

1. Go to <https://meetings.cms.gov/orion/joinmeeting.do?MeetingKey=994831426>
2. If requested, enter your name and email address.
3. If a password is required, enter the meeting password: This meeting does not require a password.
4. Click "Join."
5. Follow the instructions that appear on your screen.

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Tuesday, July 19, 2016, 3-4 p.m. EST

Access Information:

1. Please call the following number: WebEx: 1 (877) 267-1577
2. Follow the instructions you hear on the phone. Your WebEx Meeting Number: 997 909 667

To join this meeting online:

1. Go to <https://meetings.cms.gov/orion/joinmeeting.do?MeetingKey=997909667>
2. If requested, enter your name and email address.
3. If a password is required, enter the meeting password: This meeting does not require a password.
4. Click "Join."
5. Follow the instructions that appear on your screen.

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Wednesday, July 27, 2016, 3-4 p.m. EST

Access Information:

1. Please call the following number: WebEx: 1 (877)267-1577
2. Follow the instructions you hear on the phone. Your WebEx Meeting Number: 999 454 534

To join this meeting online:

1. Go to <https://meetings.cms.gov/orion/joinmeeting.do?MeetingKey=999454534>
2. If requested, enter your name and email address.
3. If a password is required, enter the meeting password: This meeting does not require a password.
4. Click "Join."
5. Follow the instructions that appear on your screen.

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CMS encourages all participants to submit questions not addressed in the session to the dedicated PERM provider email address, PERMProviders@cms.hhs.gov. You may also contact South Carolina's PERM representative, Sarah Williams, at (803) 898-2597 or by email at BISHOPS@scdhhs.gov with any questions and for information about education and training in your state.

Please check the CMS website and PERM provider page, <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Monitoring-Programs/Medicaid-and-CHIP-Compliance/PERM/Providers.html>, regularly for helpful education materials, FAQs and updates.