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## THE BABYNET BRIEF

## IFSP SERVICES AND PAYOR SOURCES

- Private Insurance information can only be added to BRIDGES by submitting a <u>Health Insurance and Information Referral Form (HIRF)</u>. Service Coordinators should ensure that providers know the family's payor sources when making a referral. Providers must also verify the family's payor sources prior to providing services.
- If current private insurance information is listed on the Financial Support screen in BRIDGES, the correct payor source will be automatically populated in Planned Services. If the family does not have Medicaid, the service coordinator can update the payor source if the family denies the use of their private insurance.
- If a child has Medicaid, the family cannot deny the use of their private insurance.
- If a child does not have Medicaid, parents can deny the use of their private insurance. Families should NOT be encouraged to decline the use of their private insurance based on the preference of the provider.
  - Declining the use of private insurance will prevent BabyNet from contributing to the family meeting their annual deductible.
  - Declining the use of private insurance depletes federal grant dollars which are used for children with fewer payor source options.
  - Providers can and should bill any private insurance plan, regardless of their in-network status.
- For services that are never covered by Private Insurance (T-codes, interpreting/translating), etc.), BRIDGES will automatically assign Payor 1 as Medicaid/Part C.