To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

Date: September 21, 2022

Subject: Provider Incentive for Behavioral Health Follow-Up Care

Summary: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana is offering a provider incentive when qualifying follow-up visits are completed within 30 days of a specified ED admission or inpatient discharge.

AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana is implementing an incentive payment to providers based upon meeting the following criteria:

1) Members 6 years of age and older who had a follow-up visit with a *mental health provider* within 30 days of discharge after hospitalization for treatment of selected mental illness or intentional self-harm diagnoses. Visits that occur on the day of discharge visits do not qualify.

2) Members 6 years of age and older who had a follow-up visit with a physical health or *mental health provider* within 30 days of an emergency department (ED) visit with a principal diagnosis of mental illness or intentional self-harm. Include visits that occur on the date of the ED visit.

3) Members 13 years of age and older who had a follow-up visit with a physical health or *mental health provider* within 30 days of an emergency department (ED) visit with a principal diagnosis of substance use disorder (SUD), or any diagnosis of drug overdose. Include visits that occur on the date of the ED visit.

Incentive payments for qualifying follow-up visits will be retroactive to 1/1/2022 and will include follow-up visits through 12/31/2022. Incentive payments will be based on receipt of a claim for a qualifying follow-up visit, and paid quarterly through a CAP payment.

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*Qualifying Mental Health Provider*
• An MD or doctor of osteopathy (DO) who is licensed as a psychiatrist or child psychiatrist
• Licensed psychologist
• Licensed clinical social worker
• Licensed advanced practice psychiatric nurse or mental health clinical nurse specialist
• Licensed marital and family therapist
• Licensed professional counselor
• A physician assistant licensed to practice psychiatry

Remember to utilize the Behavioral Health ADT Report available in NaviNet to retrieve up-to-date information regarding the admissions, discharges, and transfers of attributed behavioral health membership, and schedule members for behavioral health follow-up visits. You can find additional information on how to access the behavioral health ADT reports here.

Please refer to the HEDIS Documentation and Coding Guidelines MY2022 on NaviNet for measure description and coding requirements.

Questions:
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