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## Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) offered by Colorado Access – Specific Policies and Standards

### BACKGROUND

Starting in 1998, we began serving low-income children through Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) offered by Colorado Access. As the State's largest CHP+ Managed Care Organization (MCO), the plan currently serves children in 44 counties up and down the Front Range and in the Eastern Plains. Members of CHP+ offered by Colorado Access receive benefits beyond the standard CHP+ benefit package, including additional vision benefits, reduced prescription copayments, coverage of the over-the-counter medication with a doctor's prescription, additional hearing aid benefits, additional PT/OT/ST visits and special health care programs for diseases such as diabetes, depression, and asthma.

Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) is a part of Colorado Access, a nonprofit health plan. We are dedicated to the operation of a competitive health plan designed to improve access to needed health care directly for enrolled members, and indirectly through our partners, to all underserved Coloradans with an emphasis upon primary care and the maintenance of the continuum of care.

### ENROLLMENT

In order to enroll in CHP+ offered by Colorado Access, children must be eligible for CHP+. The state CHP+ program or the county department of human/social services determines eligibility through the Colorado Public Health Insurance for Families Application. A copy of this application is located online at [colorado.gov/hcpf/how-to-apply](http://colorado.gov/hcpf/how-to-apply). Children with CHP+ will be passively enrolled into a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) if there is more than one HMO option in their county. Choosing an HMO will no longer occur when the family fills out the application; the HMO selection question will be removed from both the online and the paper applications. After a child has been determined eligible for CHP+, the parent or guardian will have 90 days to choose the HMO by calling CHP+ customer service at 800-359-1991 prompt #5, if they were not placed into their HMO of choice.

### CHP+ ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for CHP+, children must:

- Be 18 or younger,
- Be a US citizen or legal permanent resident for at least five years,
- Not have any other health insurance (except those specifically allowed), and
- Meet the most current income guidelines for enrollment into CHP+. Please reference the following website [colorado.gov/hcpf/program-snapshots](http://colorado.gov/hcpf/program-snapshots)

## **COLORADO ACCESS SERVICE AREA**

CHP+ offered by Colorado Access is available to eligible children who live in the following Colorado counties:

Adams, Alamosa, Arapahoe, Baca, Bent, Boulder, Broomfield, Chafee, Cheyenne, Clear Creek, Conejos, Costilla, Crowley, Custer, Delta, Denver, Douglas, Eagle, Elbert, El Paso, Fremont, Gilpin, Huerfano, Jefferson, Kiowa, Larimer, Lincoln, Logan, Las Animas, Mineral, Morgan, Otero, Park, Phillips, Prowers, Pueblo, Rio Grande, Saguache, Sedgwick, Summit, Teller, Washington, Weld, and Yuma. A service area map can be found at [coaccess.com/chp-service-area](http://coaccess.com/chp-service-area).

## **PRE-HMO ENROLLMENT PERIOD**

There is a period of time when members, determined eligible for CHP+, are not yet enrolled with their chosen HMO; this is referred to as the pre-HMO enrollment period. So that members may receive services during this time, the state CHP+ department enrolls them in the CHP+ State Managed Care Network (CHP+ SMCN) until they become effective with the HMO. The pre-HMO enrollment period is usually 45 days or less.

Each member who is new to the CHP+ SMCN plan will be auto assigned to a CHP+ HMO health plan that is available in the county of residence. Members can change this HMO assignment by calling the state enrollment broker at 888-367-6557 within the first 90 days of enrollment into the HMO plan. If you are seeing a patient on SMCN who gets auto assigned to a HMO health plan that you do not accept, there could be issues with claim payments or your patient may need to find a new doctor.

## **CHP+ NEWBORN ENROLLMENT**


Children born to CHP+ members are covered for the first 30 days of life or until the end of the following month. To ensure continued coverage, members need to call the state CHP+ program at 800-359-1991 to enroll their newborn.

## **ENROLLMENT POSTPONEMENT DUE TO INPATIENT STAY**

If a member is an inpatient of a hospital at 11:59 p.m. the day before his or her enrollment into CHP+ offered by Colorado Access is scheduled to take effect, enrollment shall be postponed. Within 60 calendar days of discovering the member's hospital admission, Colorado Access will notify the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) that the enrollment shall be delayed.

## **MEMBER ID CARDS**

Once enrolled, we send each CHP+ offered by Colorado Access member an ID card. The following is a sample of the ID card:

	<b>Co-ins (Copays)</b> PCP: \$00 SCP: \$00 Prescription/RX: \$00 Lab and X-Ray: \$0 ER/Urgent: \$00/\$00/\$00.CO Inpatient Hospital: \$0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Show this ID card every time you see a healthcare provider.</li> <li>• Your PCP will help you get the medical care you need.</li> <li>• Get a referral from your PCP before you get care from a specialist or hospital (except in emergencies).</li> <li>• If you can, call your PCP before going to the ER.</li> <li>• If you have a true emergency, call 911 or go to the ER.</li> <li>• If you are not sure what to do, call your PCP.</li> <li>• To call us for a preauthorization, or to let us know of a hospital stay and other services that may be required, please call us at 303-751-9021 or 1-888-214-1101.</li> </ul>
	Member Name: Formatted_Member_Name Colorado Access ID#: 123456789 State ID#: Z123456 DOB: 01/01/2013 Gender: M Plan Name: Child Health Plan Plus PCP: Dr. Joe Smith PCP Phone: (203) 123-1234 PCN: NVT RxGrp: CHPH RxBin: 610602 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>This ID card does not guarantee eligibility. Check eligibility at <a href="http://www.coaccess.com">www.coaccess.com</a></b></p>	
Card Issued: Processed_Date	HMO	

## DIENROLLMENT

The state CHP+ department may disenroll a member from Colorado Access for the following reasons:

- The child becomes 19 years old
- Administrative error on the part of CHP+, including but not limited to, the enrollment of a person who does not reside in the Colorado Access service area
- A change in the enrollee's residence to an area not in the Colorado Access service area
- The child becomes eligible for the Medicaid program or gains other health insurance coverage
- The child becomes an inmate of a public institution or a patient in an institution for mental diseases
- Fraud or intentional misconduct, including but not limited to, non-payment of applicable fees by the member, knowing misuse of covered services by a member, knowing misrepresentation of membership status by the member
- An egregious, ongoing pattern of behavior by the member that is abusive to a provider, staff member, or other patients or disruptive to the extent that our ability to furnish covered services to the other member or patients is impaired.

Members may only change their HMO for good cause reasons or at the time of renewal. Good cause reasons include, but are not limited to:

- Member moved out of the service area
- Data entry error
- Other (must be approved by the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing)

### Effective Dates of Disenrollment

When a member disenrolls from Colorado Access, the effective date of the disenrollment shall be no later than the first day of the second month following the month in which the member requested the disenrollment. If a member requests disenrollment and a decision is not made by

the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, or its designee, by the first day of the second month following the month in which the member requested the disenrollment, the disenrollment shall be approved.

### **Disenrollment Postponed Due to Inpatient Stay**

If a current member of CHP+ offered by Colorado Access is an inpatient of a hospital at 11:59 p.m. the day before his or her disenrollment is scheduled to take effect, disenrollment shall be postponed until discharged from the hospital. When the member is discharged from the hospital, the new disenrollment date shall be the last day of the month following discharge.

### **Member Moves Outside of Service Area**

Members must notify their county department of human/social services that they have moved. This information will be communicated to the State, which will then disenroll the member effective the first day of the month following the confirmation of the move outside of the service area.

### **Material Incentives Prohibition**

Colorado Access and its participating Providers are prohibited from providing material incentives unrelated to the provision of service as an inducement to members to enroll or disenroll in the health plan or to use the services of a particular subcontractor.

### **BENEFITS AND COPAYS**

The following services are benefits of CHP+ offered by Colorado Access. This information is for summary purposes only and does not guarantee coverage. See the CHP+ offered by Colorado Access Member Benefits Booklet for covered services and exclusions. The booklet is located on our website a [coaccess.com/chp-forms-and-documents](http://coaccess.com/chp-forms-and-documents).

#### **Additional Colorado Access Benefits**

- \$150 toward eyeglasses or contact lenses per calendar year
- More than 200 over-the-counter medications like vitamins and Tylenol®, when prescribed by a Provider
- 40 outpatient visits per calendar year (combined) for physical, occupational, and speech therapy
- Unlimited physical, occupational, and speech therapy for children ages 0-3
- Reduced copayments for prescriptions
- No copays for prescription birth control
- No limit for oxygen and oxygen supplies
- Smoking cessation benefits through the Colorado QuitLine 800-QUIT-NOW (800-784-8669). Members over the age of 15 can self-refer, identify themselves as a Colorado Access member and provide their ID number in order to receive services.

## **Health Risk Assessment & Care Management**

All Colorado Access CHP+ members receive an initial Health Risk Assessment (HRA) within 30 days of enrollment to screen for special health care needs such as physical, functional, and behavioral health problems. HRA results are analyzed by the care management team and stratified depending on identified needs. Based on the results of the HRA, the care management team will contact the member to discuss individual needs and link the member to the appropriate licensed health care professionals and community resources. Members with high intensity physical and/or emotional needs receive priority in assistance with accessing resources and/or needed care.

Care managers contact the member and discuss special health care needs. The care manager's first priority is to ensure that the member is connected with an ongoing source of primary care, whether that is a PCP or specialist who can best monitor the needs of the member. Care managers coordinate with the necessary providers (PCP, specialists, subspecialists) and community resources (facilities and agencies, ancillary or nonmedical services) to help the member access the health care and other services that they need and to prevent duplication of those activities.

If necessary, an individualized care plan is created that addresses treatment objectives, treatment follow-up, monitoring of outcomes, and is revised as necessary. The care manager will engage the member by asking them to establish goals in their care plan that contributes to effective management of the special health care need(s). The goal-setting process shall include steps that the member will take toward reaching goals and what interventions the care manager will take to help the member successfully reach their goals. Our medical director may confer with the treating physician(s) as necessary and make suggestions for revision to the care plan.

Care managers work to ensure that all members and/or authorized family members are involved in treatment planning and consent to medical treatment. Care managers are also asked to document any cultural or linguistic needs that may impact a member's ability to access necessary health care services and community resources.

### **SERVICING MEMBERS WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS**

CHP+ has an obligation to ensure that appropriate services and accommodations are made available to members with special health care needs. Services must be provided in a manner that promotes independent living and facilitates member participation in the community.

Members with special health care needs may be allowed to have direct access/standing referral to their specialist as needed for their care. If you have a member who may need a longstanding referral, contact Colorado Access for assistance.

### **Fluoride Varnish Provided in a Primary Care Setting**

Fluoride varnish services can be provided by participating PCPs. Fluoride varnish may also be provided by an in-network dentist. When provided by a dentist, these services are covered by Delta Dental under the routine dental benefit.

Note: this service is not covered for the CHP+ Prenatal Care Program

- Covered services must be provided by the member's assigned, in-network, PCP and does not require prior authorization
- Benefit covers up to two fluoride varnish treatments in a calendar year for children ages 0 to 4
- Risk assessments must be performed prior to providing varnish treatment
- All PCPs providing this service must receive the appropriate training. For more information regarding training, visit [cavityfreeatthree.org](http://cavityfreeatthree.org) or call 303-724-4750.

CHP+ offered by Colorado Access will no longer reimburse claims for oral hygiene instruction (D1330), effective July 1, 2011.

Below are the complete billing procedure instructions:

**For children ages 0 to 2** (until the day before their third birthday):

Private Practices: D1206 (topical fluoride varnish) and D0145 (oral evaluation for a patient under three years of age and counseling with a primary caregiver) must be billed on a CMS1500 paper claim form or electronically as an 837P (professional) transaction.

Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Clinics (RHCs): D1206 and D0145 must be itemized on the claim with a well-child visit, but reimbursement will be at the current encounter rate.

The diagnosis V72.2 should be used as a secondary diagnosis. Billing is on the UB-04 paper claim form or electronically as an 837I (institutional) transaction.

**For children ages 3 and 4** (from their first birthday until the day before their fifth birthday)

Private practices: D1206 (topical fluoride varnish) and D0190 (dental screening) must be billed on a CMS1500 paper claim form or electronically as an 837P transaction.

**What Dental Related Services are not Covered (Exclusions)?**

- Routine dental services are not covered by the CHP+ Prenatal Care Program.
- The following services, supplies, and care are not covered:
  - Restoring the mouth, teeth, or jaws due to injuries from biting or chewing.
  - Restorations, supplies or appliances, including, but not limited to, cosmetic restorations, cosmetic replacement of serviceable restorations and materials (such as precious metal) that are not medically necessary to stabilize damaged teeth.
  - Inpatient or outpatient services due to the age of the member, the medical condition of the member and/or the nature of the dental services, except as described above.
  - Upper or lower jaw augmentation or reductions (orthognathic surgery) even if the condition is due to a genetic congenital or acquired characteristic.



- Artificial implanted devices and bone graft for denture wear.
- Temporomandibular (TMJ) joint therapy or surgery is not covered unless it has a medical basis.
- Administration of anesthesia for dental services, operating, and recovery room charges, and surgeon services except as allowed above.

Members who are in their second or third trimester of pregnancy at the time of enrollment may continue to see their obstetrical provider until the completion of postpartum care directly related to the delivery. The provider must agree to accept the Colorado Access fee schedule as payment in full and agree to follow Colorado Access Utilization Management and Quality Management policies and procedures.

### **CHP+ BENEFITS AND COPAYMENTS**

The current copays are available on our website at [coaccess.com/chp-member-information](https://coaccess.com/chp-member-information).

### **CHILD HEALTH PLAN PLUS (CHP+) CLAIMS SPECIFIC INFORMATION**

Effective immediately: when rendering services, please check the state web portal to confirm eligibility. If the state web portal is showing a child is eligible for CHP+ on the date of service, a copy of that printout can be used as proof of eligibility, regardless of future retro-enrollment activities. Please use the state web portal at

[colorado-hcp-portal.xco.dcs-usps.com/hcp/provider/Home/tabid/135/Default.aspx](https://colorado-hcp-portal.xco.dcs-usps.com/hcp/provider/Home/tabid/135/Default.aspx)

### **Reminder**

If you have administered any covered services, including immunization vaccines to a member who was eligible for CHP+ on the date of service, please submit your claim with a copy of the state web portal printout for payment. The county department of human/social services letter stating the member's eligibility span can also be used as proof of eligibility.