



Optimize Managed Care Operations to Attack Revenue Leakage and Drive Payor Strategies

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Agenda

- I. Organizing / Verifying Agreements**
- II. Accessibility**
- III. Managed Care Grids**
- IV. Denial Prevention & Resolution**
- V. Contracting / Negotiations Strategy**



I. Organizing / Verifying Agreements

- Identify those not fully executed, missing effective dates
- Missing amendments
- Clarify which entities are associated with each contract document
- Clarify which products, by payor, by entity are contracted
- Include Medicare and Medicaid rate letters for CAH, RHC, FQHC



II. Accessibility

- Support Revenue Cycle
 - Business Office
 - Registration/Patient Access
 - Payment Verification
 - Price Transparency
 - Credentialing
- Share Drive, Contract Management System



II. Accessibility

○ Standardized Naming Convention

Managed Care Files						
Naming Convention						
Payor Name	Entity Type	Entity (mnemonic)	Document Type	Additional Descriptor such as Product, Clinic location, Amendment description, Other	Start Date	Termination Date
United	Facility		Agreement	Clinic mnemonic	YYYYMMDD	YYYYMMDD
BCBS	Professional		Amend	CHIP		
AHS	Global		Notice	Medicare		
Medicaid	Ancillary		Communication	Medicaid		
Medicare				Language		
				Rates		
Examples						
Aetna	Facility		Agreement		20100101	
Aetna	Facility		Amend	Rates	20110101	
Aetna	Facility		Notice	<i>description</i>	20180101	
Aetna	Professional		Agreement		20100101	
Aetna	Professional		Amend	Language	20120101	
Aetna	Professional		Notice	Rate Letter	20181001	



II. Accessibility

- Standardized Naming Convention

-  United Facility Agreement 20070801
-  United Facility Amend HIE 20230101
-  United Facility Amend Medicaid Rates OP 20151201
-  United Facility Amend VA CCN 20200519
-  United Facility Comm DOO 20201214
-  United Facility Notice Medicare Rates 20220721
-  United Fee Schedule MS 29104 29105 20200720
-  United Fee Schedule MS 57896 57897 20200720
-  United Fee Schedule MS 91058 91059 20191014
-  United Fee Schedule MS 91058 91059 20200707
-  United Fee Schedule MS 94380 94381 20200720
-  United Notice Contract Notice Address 20240111
-  United Notice Medicare Rate Facility 20230712



III. Managed Care Grids

- Contract Summary Grids
 - Contracts By Entity – Grid to know what agreements go with which entities and to identify inconsistencies
 - Contract Rate Summary
 - Contract Provision Summary – Contract terms that your Revenue Cycle staff need to know



III. Managed Care Grids (Contracts By Entity)

		Name	Legal Name #1	Legal Name #2	Legal Name #3	Legal Name #4	Legal Name #5	STATUS	NOTES
		dba	Hospital #1	Ancillary #1	Hospital Based Physicians #1	Clinic #1	Clinic #2 (RHC)		
		TIN	xx-xxxxxxx	xx-xxxxxxx	xx-xxxxxxx	xx-xxxxxxx	xx-xxxxxxx		
Payor	Contract ID	Description							
Payor 1		Facility (Comm)						Termed	1/1/94 - 8/14/09
Payor 1		Facility (Comm, WC)	X	X	X			Active	8/15/09 - __/__/__
Payor 1		Prof (Comm, WC)			X	X	X	Active	4/1/10 - __/__/__
Payor 2		Facility (Comm, WC)		X	X	X	X	Active	1/1/12 - __/__/__
Payor 2		Facility (Medicare)	X	X	X			Active	4/1/10 - __/__/__
Payor 2		Prof (Comm, WC)				X	X	Active	11/15/12 - __/__/__
Payor 3		Facility (Comm, WC)	X	X	X			Active	11/15/12 - __/__/__
Payor 3		Facility (Medicare)	X	X	X			Active	11/15/12 - __/__/__
Payor 3		Facility (Medicaid)	X	X	X			Active	11/15/12 - __/__/__
Payor 3		Prof (Comm, WC)				X	X	Active	11/15/12 - __/__/__



III. Managed Care Grids (Contract Rate Summary)

	Facility Name															
	MEDICAL	SURGICAL	ICU	OB NORMAL DELIVERY	OB C-SECTION	SUB-ACUTE	HOPICE	REHAB	SNF	PSYCH - IP	OBSERVATION	OP SERVICES	OP SURGERY	DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY	OP LAB / PATHOLOGY	PFTOT/ST
BlueCross BlueShield	BCBS 1000															
			\$X,XXX PD			\$XXX PD		\$X,XXX PD	\$XXX PD	\$X,XXX PD					\$XXX APC	
Cigna - Commercial	CIG 1000															
			\$X,XXX PD			\$XXX PD		\$X,XXX PD					OP Surgery: Group X \$XXXX Group Y \$XXXX Group Z \$X,XXX Group W \$X,XXX Group V \$X,XXX Group U \$X,XXX Group T \$X,XXX Group S \$X,XXX Group R \$X,XXX Group Q \$X,XXX Group P \$X,XXX Group O \$X,XXX Group N \$X,XXX Group M \$X,XXX Group L \$X,XXX Group K \$X,XXX Group J \$X,XXX Group I \$X,XXX Group H \$X,XXX Group G \$X,XXX Group F \$X,XXX Group E \$X,XXX Group D \$X,XXX Group C \$X,XXX Group B \$X,XXX Group A \$X,XXX	CT-\$XXXX MRI-\$XXXX PET-\$XXXX	XXX: Charger	XXX: Charger
Cigna - Worker's Compensation																
	State Fee Schedule															
Humana Military - Tricare	MH 1000															
						XXX: Off Rearranged Care Method		XXX: Charger		XXX: Off Rearranged Care Method					XXX: Off Rearranged Care Method or XXX: Off TMAO	
Department of Rehabilitation Services	MDR 1000															
															Prior to XXX/XXX: \$XXX.XX PD, Beginning XXX/XXX: \$XXX.XX PD	Billed: Charger not to exceed three (3) days Per Diem
Multiplan - Commercial	MP 1000															
	XXX: Charger															
United Healthcare - Commercial	UHC 1000															
	\$X,XXX PD			\$X,XXX OR + \$XXX PD Normal Newborn	\$X,XXX OR + \$XXX PD Normal Newborn	\$XXX PD	\$XXX PD	\$XXX PD	\$XXX PD		\$X,XXX OR	XX.XX: Charger	OP Surgery: Group X \$XXXX Group Y \$XXXX Group Z \$X,XXX Group W \$X,XXX Group V \$X,XXX Group U \$X,XXX Group T \$X,XXX Group S \$X,XXX Group R \$X,XXX Group Q \$X,XXX Group P \$X,XXX Group O \$X,XXX Group N \$X,XXX Group M \$X,XXX Group L \$X,XXX Group K \$X,XXX Group J \$X,XXX Group I \$X,XXX Group H \$X,XXX Group G \$X,XXX Group F \$X,XXX Group E \$X,XXX Group D \$X,XXX Group C \$X,XXX Group B \$X,XXX Group A \$X,XXX	CT-\$XXXX MRI-\$XXXX PET-\$XXXX	XXX: "Source Fee" in UHC Facility Lab Fee Schedule Exhibit	XXX: Charger
United Healthcare - Medicaid	UHC 1000															
	Non-Contracted - Paid by MS Dept of Medicaid															
	XXX% of Medicaid															



III. Managed Care Grids

(Contract Provision Summary)

Payor	Timely Filing	Appeal Time Frame	Overpayment Offsets, Refunds & Recoupments	Billing Members	Clean Claim Payment	Medical Records	Eligibility Verification	COB/TPL	UM Requirements	Emergency	Medical Necessity	Plan Policy and Procedure	
Payor #1	(4.1.1) Primary payor - 180 days from DOS. Secondary payor - 180 days from Primary's EOB. Worker's Comp: (AWCA Addendum. VI) 90 days.	(4.1.1) 180 days	(4.1.2) 2 years after payment. 30 day notice w/ right of offset.	(4.3.1) Member must agree in writing to be liable for Non-covered service. Waived if member failed to identify themselves as a member of plan. (4.3.2) Member Held Harmless.				(see section 4.2)	(4.1.4) Provider shall abide by.	(1.14) Prudent Layperson	(1.23) Clinical but doesn't define UM Criteria. Allows for denials based on lowest cost setting.	(5.1) Dynamic and my change from time to time. Includes . Includes newsletters, e-mail and letter. 90 notice including newsletter or e-mail w/ 30 days to object.	
Payor #2	(2.2.2.3) 180 days w/ best efforts in 30 days.		(2.2.7) Recovery allowed.	(2.2.3.1) Can't bill Members for services provided not in compliance with UM programs and policies. Member must agree in writing to be liable for Non-covered/Non-medically necessary service.	(4.3) Best efforts in 30 days.	(2.4.3) No charge.	(3.5) Not responsible for incorrect/retroactive information submitted by Group.	(2.2.5) See agreement.			(1.9) Clinical but doesn't define UM Criteria.	(2.2.2.2) agrees to comply. (3.6) BCBSNC will notify Provider of changes.	
Payor #2	(2.2.2.3) 180 days		(2.2.7) 30 day notice w/ right of offset.	(2.2.3) Member Held Harmless. Member must agree in writing to be liable for specific Non-covered/Non-medically necessary service.	(3.3) Reasonable efforts in 30 days.	(2.4.3) No charge.	(3.5) Not responsible for incorrect/retroactive information submitted by Group.	(2.2.5) see agreement for limits on reimbursement and billing of members.			(E1.1.9) Clinical but doesn't define UM Criteria.	(2.2.2.2 & 2.6.1) agrees to comply. (3.6) BCBSNC will notify Provider of changes w/ reasonable time to comply.	



III. Managed Care Grids

(Contract Provision Summary)

Revenue Cycle

Timely Filing
Appeal Time Frame
Overpayments, Offsets, Recoupments
Billing of Members
Clean Claim Payment
Medical Records
Eligibility Verification
UM Requirements
Emergency
Medical Necessity
+ 5 Others

Contract Administration

Amendments
Acquisitions
Assignment
Rate Negotiations/Increases
Termination w/o Cause
Renewal Date
Effective Date

Notice Requirements

Changes in Capacity/Services
New Service, TIN, NPI
Change in Insurance
Change in Licensure
Change in Charge Master
+ 4 Others



III. Managed Care Grids

(Contract Provision Summary)

- ☐ Timely Filing – How long do you have to file the first claim?

- ☐ Appeal Time Frame
 - ☐ How long to file an appeal
 - ☐ Is it time to file an appeal based off
 - ☐ Date of Service
 - ☐ Date of Discharge
 - ☐ Date of First Denial
 - ☐ Date of Last Denial
 - ☐ Timely Filing is not the same as Appeal Time Frame



III. Managed Care Grids

(Contract Provision Summary)

- ☐ Overpayments, Offsets, Recoupments
 - ☐ Is there a requirement of formal notice
 - ☐ Can the provider object to the recoupment
 - ☐ Does the payor have the right of offset

- ☐ Billing of Members for Non-Covered or Denied Services
 - ☐ Allowed
 - ☐ Prior notice of specific services



III. Managed Care Grids

(Contract Provision Summary)

- ☐ Clean Claims Payment
 - ☐ Is there a penalty
 - ☐ Start date
 - ☐ Interest rate
 - ☐ Loss of discount

- ☐ Eligibility Verification – Is the language worded to allow for
 - ☐ Is the plan responsible for providing accurate eligibility
 - ☐ What happens if eligibility is wrong or there is retro eligibility?
 - ☐ Is retroactive eligibility limited or is it open-ended?



III. Managed Care Grids

(Contract Provision Summary)

- ☐ UM Requirements
 - ☐ Notices
 - ☐ Pre-Certs
 - ☐ Authorizations
 - ☐ Time frames

- ☐ Emergency
 - ☐ Prudent Layperson
 - ☐ Notice Requirements
 - ☐ Definition of Emergency
 - ☐ Evaluate and Stabilize ONLY
 - ☐ Evaluate, Stabilize, and TREAT



III. Managed Care Grids

(Contract Provision Summary)

- ☐ Medical Necessity
 - ☐ Criteria
 - ☐ Medicare
 - ☐ MCG
 - ☐ InterQual
 - ☐ Clinical without definition
 - ☐ Exceptions



VI. Strategy Development

- ☐ Review Managed Care Grids
 - ☐ Contracts By Entity
 - ☐ Request any missing/incomplete documents from the plan
 - ☐ Are all entities contracted for all products?
 - ☐ Contract Rate Summary
 - ☐ Request any missing fee schedules
 - ☐ How do rates compare across entities and other payors?
 - ☐ Contract Provision Summary
 - ☐ How does language compare to other plans?
 - ☐ Is language being used to legitimize denials?
 - ☐ Language agreed to by competitors to address denials with increased pricing



VI. Strategy Development

- ❑ Edit or use existing language where possible instead of rewriting sections
- ❑ Ensure remedies are in the agreement to motivate payor to abide by the agreement
- ❑ Negotiate language first, then rates – Can't price agreement without first understanding operational, denial, and bad debt exposure. Leverage payor refusal to address language issues with increased pricing.



Organization leads to strategy transparency



Questions?



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