



MONTANA HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS NOTICE

August 4, 2022

All Providers

Effective April 1, 2022

Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 Cost Avoidance Statute Changes

Effective April 1, 2022, the following changes are being implemented by Montana Medicaid per the Bipartisan Act of 2018. The Act requires all providers to bill liable third parties, including primary health insurance carriers for the following services:

1. Standard coordination of benefits cost avoidance is required when processing claims for prenatal services which now included labor and delivery and postpartum care claims.
2. Medicaid is allowed 100 days to pay claims related to medical support enforcement pursuant to section 1902(a)(25)(F)(i) of the Act. Medical support is a form of child support that is often provided through an absent parent's employers health insurance plan.

These changes do not impact any claims previously billed for services after April 1, 2022, and before the MMIS system changes are in affect.

Contact Information

For claims questions or additional information, contact Montana Provider Relations at (800) 624-3958 or (406) 442-1837 or email Montana Provider Relations Helpdesk.

Visit the Montana Healthcare Programs Provider Information website at <https://medicaidprovider.mt.gov>.