

South Dakota Medicaid Pregnancy Program Launches

Eligible providers can now enroll in the South Dakota Medicaid Pregnancy Program. The Pregnancy Program is a new Medicaid care management program. The Pregnancy Program is intended to improve maternal health outcomes through enhanced care coordination, services being provided in accordance with standards of care, and reducing barriers to care. Participating providers are eligible for enhanced reimbursement for care coordination and meeting prenatal and postpartum care objectives. Enroll today!

Iron Supplements Coverage Update

Effective April 1, 2024, South Dakota Medicaid covers over-the-counter iron supplements for pregnant women as part of the pharmacy benefit. For additional information regarding over-the-counter medications please refer to the Pharmacy Services manual.

Community and Secure Transportation Coverage Updates

Effective April 1, 2024, South Dakota Medicaid added coverage of transportation services for an accompanying adult, CPT code T2001, to a medical service for a recipient who is a child age 20 or younger if an accompanying adult is necessary for the transportation service or medical service to occur. Additionally, South Dakota Medicaid added coverage of medically necessary transportation services to pick-up prescription drugs, durable medical equipment, and optical supplies when delivery or mailing is not an option for obtaining the supply. For more information please refer to the <u>bulletin</u> on the topic.

Special Guidance Regarding Medicare Crossover Claims

When submitting a crossover claim for dual eligible Medicaid/Medicare recipients in the Health Home program, if the provider is a type two provider, the claim must still be submitted with the ordering/referring type one provider information on the claim to avoid a denial and to remain in alignment with Medicare guidance.

Money Follows the Person Rebrand

The purpose of Money Follows the Person is to provide support and resources for vulnerable South Dakotans to live independently. The program's name has left many potential clients with more questions than answers, meaning we spend valuable time on things that aren't true to our vision. That's why, in order to build a cohesive and recognizable brand, we've decided to change our name to Home Again. What does this mean for the future of our services? In short, nothing. We're still a program provided by the South Dakota Department of Social Services. We still provide one-time services and supports that are not typically covered by South Dakota Medicaid. And, most importantly, we're still providing our services to enable older adults and/or adults with disabilities living in nursing homes, hospitals, or other long term care facilities to return to home successfully, because everyone deserves a chance at that level of comfort. If you want to learn more about our services, eligibility requirements, and how to refer an individual you can visit to our brandnew website: HomeAgain.SD.Gov. You can also get in contact with someone directly at Home Again at HomeAgain@state.sd.us.

