

# South Dakota Medicaid PROVIDER NEWSLETTER

Summer 2020

## Reimbursement Rate Inflationary Increases

South Dakota Medicaid increased most reimbursement rates by 2.0 percent effective July 1, 2020. The rate increases were appropriated by the state legislature as part of the General Appropriations Act.

Please review our [bulletin](#) for a list of services that were increased. The increased reimbursement rates are reflected on our [fee schedules](#).

Providers should continue to submit claims and bill South Dakota Medicaid as they did prior to July 1, 2020. Fee schedules list the maximum allowable reimbursement amount. Providers must bill for services at their usual and customary amount and payment for services is limited to the lesser of the provider's usual and customary charge or the fee schedule amount.

## COVID-19 Flexibilities Remain in Place

South Dakota Medicaid implemented numerous policy flexibilities for providers and recipients to help facilitate continued access to care during the public health emergency.

Flexibilities include allowing additional services to be provided via telemedicine, coverage of certain services provided via telephone, and flexibilities regarding filling prescription drugs and medical supplies. For additional information please refer to the [DSS COVID-19 Resources](#) page on our website.

## Service Limit Inquiry

With the start of a new State Fiscal Year July 1, we would like to remind providers that you can use the Medicaid Portal to check on a recipients service limits for various services including chiropractic, incontinence supplies, and urgent care visits. The "Service Limits" tab is located in the "Recipient Info" section in the [Medicaid Portal](#).

## Primary Care Provider Addendum

In order to help keep enrollment and care management records accurate, providers participating in the PCP program who switch to a different Billing NPI are now required to submit a new PCP Addendum. The PCP Addendum is available on our [website](#).

## Behavioral Health Screening Tools

South Dakota Medicaid recommends physicians and other licensed practitioners use age-appropriate validated behavioral health screening tools recommended by the AAP, USPSTF, or a tool otherwise recognized as an age-appropriate validated behavioral health screening tool.

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