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Effective April 1, 2016, an amendment to New York State Social Services Law changes Medicaid reimbursement of Medicare Part C (Medicare Advantage or Medicare managed care) co-payment and/or co-insurance liabilities for services provided to dually eligible Medicaid members. Dually eligible members are those individuals having both Medicare and Medicaid coverage.

Presently the Medicaid program pays the full co-payment or co-insurance amounts for Medicare Part C claims. **Retro-actively to April 1, 2016**, Medicaid will reimburse at the rate of eighty-five percent (85%) of the Medicare Part C co-payment or co-insurance amount.

The Department is in the process of making the necessary eMedNY system changes to enable the implementation of the new payment policy. Implementation will be applied retro-actively pending system support. Paid claims will then be adjusted automatically to reflect the new cost-sharing limits.

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This change will affect **institutional claims and professional claims** when submitting claims for Medicaid reimbursement of a Medicare Part C co-payment or co-insurance. **This change will also apply to Pharmacy Claims for drugs and supplies when submitted via a NCPDP transaction or as a professional claim.**

There is no change to the current reimbursement methodology of Medicare Part C co-payment/co-insurance amounts for ambulance providers and psychologists Medicaid will continue to reimburse these providers the full Medicare Part C co-payment/co-insurance amounts.

Note: A provider of a Medicare Part C benefit cannot seek to recover any co-payment, or coinsurance amount from Medicare/Medicaid dually eligible individuals. The provider is required to accept the Medicare Part C health plan payment and any Medicaid payment as payment in full for the service. The member may not be billed for any Medicare Part C co-payment/co-insurance amount that is not reimbursed by Medicaid.

Providers will be notified prior to claim adjustments being made through another Medicaid Update article.

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