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Welcome to the New York State (NYS) Medicaid Primary Care Newsletter! This newsletter is a resource for primary care clinicians, administrators, billers, and partners to learn about recent updates in the NYS Medicaid program related to primary care and the NYS Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) program. It is a supplement to the [Medicaid Update newsletter](#) and policy documents issued by the Department of Health. Please share this newsletter with others in your organization. They can subscribe through the [eMedNY LISTSERV webpage](#) by selecting "Primary Care" under "Overview Category." You must activate the subscription by clicking the link in the confirmation email. You will find prior communications on the eMedNY LISTSERV webpage under the Archives link.

Recent News

- The [NYS Patient-Centered Medical Home Billing Manual](#) was updated in February. In this manual, you will find details on how to bill Medicaid Fee for Service claims to ensure that you receive the PCMH add-on payment, an overview of how Medicaid Managed Care plans handle PCMH per member per month (PMPM) payments, and an explanation of how to make sure you keep receiving the PCMH incentive enhancement payment.
- New - Coverage of "G2211": Add-On Code for Complex Pediatric Care - See the [New York State Medicaid Update - April 2026 Volume 42 - Number 5](#) for the policy and billing guidance.
- Practitioner fees have been updated for Physician, Nurse Practitioner, and Midwife Services. See the [New York State Medicaid Update - April 2026 Volume 42 - Number 5](#) for more information.

PCMH Reminders

PCMH-recognized providers can earn an incentive enhancement of an additional \$2.00 (for members age 21 and over) or \$4.00 (for members under age 21) PMPM on top of the PCMH base PMPM payment. Effective in January 2026, the incentive enhancement is tied to quality reporting.

What To Do Now

To qualify for the additional \$2.00 or \$4.00 incentive enhancement, practices must:

- Complete the Social Care Network (SCN) Referral Workflow Attestation, **only** if you are a newly recognized PCMH site or you did not submit an attestation in 2025, **and**
- Report on required quality metrics for Measure Year (MY) 2025 (1/1/2025 through 12/31/2025) upon application or renewal in 2026.

The table below lists payment details for 2026.

Payment Period	NYS PCMH Base PMPM	NYS PCMH Incentive Enhancement
April 2026 through March 2027	All NYS PCMH practices earn \$6.00/PMPM for MMC enrollees and CHPlus members (\$7.00/PMPM for Adirondack practices).	NYS PCMH practices earn an additional \$2.00 or \$4.00 incentive enhancement for MMC enrollees and CHPlus members by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• reporting on required quality metrics listed below for Measure Year (MY) 2025 (1/1/2025-12/31/2025) upon application or renewal with NCQA and• completing the SCN Referral Workflow Attestation (This only applies to NEW PCMH sites and sites that did not submit an SCN Referral Workflow Attestation in 2025).

To submit an Attestation, please use the following link: [PCMH Social Care Network Attestation Form](#). If you did not receive the password to the form in a previous email, please email us pcmh@health.ny.gov and we can provide this for you.

Quality Measures

The metrics below, also known as the required quality measures, were selected from the [NCQA PCMH Standardized Measurement list](#). Pediatric practices report two of the four; adult practices must report three of the four; practices seeing children and adults must report all four metrics:

- Childhood Immunization Status - Combination 10 (**pediatric** practices must report)
- Colorectal Cancer Screening (**adult** practices must report)
- Diabetes HbA1C Poor Control - Greater than nine percent (**adult** practices must report)
- Screening for Depression and Follow-Up Plan (**pediatric and adult** practices must report)

Please refer to the program article - [New York State Medicaid Update - December 2025 Volume 41 - Number 12](#) for more details on the required quality reporting.

Currently, the incentive enhancement is based on **reporting**. Practices do not need to meet performance benchmarks.

What to Expect

We will share more information about performance benchmarks later this year. **Performance** on the required quality measures in Measure (MY) Year 2026 (1/1/2026 through 12/31/2026) will impact payment beginning in April 2028.

Billing Tip

Did you know primary care providers can be reimbursed for administering an [Adverse Childhood Experiences \(ACEs\) screening](#)? ACEs are events that occur in childhood which may have long-term effects and are categorized into three experience groups: abuse, neglect, and household challenges. These include emotional, physical, and sexual abuse; emotional and physical neglect; and household challenges that include exposure to domestic violence, a family member with household substance abuse, a family member with mental illness, an incarcerated household member, or parental separation or divorce.

NYS Medicaid covers screening annually for children and adolescents up to 21 years of age and once per lifetime for adults age 21 to 65 years.

Please refer to the [December 2023 Issue of the Medicaid Update](#) for more detail on the policy and billing guidance for ACEs screenings for children and adolescents, and the [New York State Medicaid Update - September Volume 40 - Number 10](#) for more detail on the policy and billing guidance for ACEs screening for adults 21 to 65 years of age.

ACEs Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Procedure Codes				
HCPCS Procedure Code	Modifiers	Description	Annual Allowance Per NYS Medicaid Member	Reimbursement Rate
G9919	U1 and U9	ACEs screening was performed, and positive*, provision of recommendations is used for high-risk patients.	One annual screen for children and adolescents up to 21 years of age.	\$29.00
G9920		ACEs screening was performed and negative.	One lifetime screen for adults 21 years of age to 65 years of age.	

**Clinician to determine if an ACEs screen is positive.*

For more information on ACEs screening, please visit the links provided below.

ACEs Screening link for providers

https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/providers/aces/index.htm

ACEs Screening link for members

https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/providers/aces/benefits.htm

Helpful Resources and Links

NYS PCMH website link- www.health.ny.gov/technology/nys_pcmh/

NYS PCMH Attestation Frequently Asked Questions

link- www.health.ny.gov/technology/nys_pcmh/attestation_faqs.htm

Contact Us

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