TODAY'S MESSAGE

IMPORTANT NOTICE: PAYMENTS FOR UDC PROGRAM Q3 2016 SUBMISSIONS

ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION RELEASED THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 21, 2016

Additional compensation payments for complete and accurate 2016 Unconfirmed Diagnosis Code (UDC) Program submissions made during the third quarter of 2016 were recently paid the week of December 21, 2016. Providers will receive payments separately from other Highmark compensation.

As a reminder, a limited number of members have more than one assigned UDC Form, so accurate completion and additional compensation for the UDC Program is achieved at the member level.

Identifying Member Forms Included in Payment

Providers may identify the member forms for which payments are made using the "UDC Forms Payable and Paid" tab in the 2016 UDC Program Monthly Provider Progress Report. Reports may be found on the NaviNet Quality Blue[™] interface. Monthly Provider Progress Reports are being distributed approximately every two weeks. Member Forms that were processed but did not qualify for payment are listed on the "UDC Forms Ineligible for Payment" tab; that tab also identifies the error(s).

Reminder: Four Categories of UDC Member Forms May Now Be Removed from the Bonus Multiplier Denominator

Remember to return UDC Forms for members who are deceased/ceased to breathe (CTB), transferred from the practice, are no longer insured by Highmark or were never patients of the practice to have them removed from the performance multiplier calculation. These must be returned and clearly marked with one of the four eligible categories to be accepted for removal. If the forms have been destroyed, they may be downloaded from NaviNet. Send them using the UDC Program secure email: <u>diagnosisgapclosure@highmark.com</u> or secure fax 717-635-4591.

UDC Forms will be accepted until the deadline to return UDC Form of January 13, 2017, but providers are encouraged to return Forms as they are identified.

