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**December 28, 2018**

### **GLMS Member Benefit from Byrne Insurance**

Our partner – [Byrne Insurance Group of Louisville](#) – is offering three brief strategy sessions where you, as a GLMS member and practice of a GLMS Member, can gain information on cost-saving measures for your practice and your family. You're eligible for special rates on both your personal lines of insurance, as well as your employee benefits program. More information and RSVP at [www.byrneinsurancegroup.com/glms](http://www.byrneinsurancegroup.com/glms)

When are the sessions?

- Wednesday, January 23, 6 p.m. – GLMS Member Insurance Options
- Tuesday, February 19, 6 p.m. – New Choices for your Employee Health Plan
- Tuesday, March 19, 6 p.m. – Homeowners and Auto Insurance for GLMS Members

### **KMA: KY health e-News: Confusion Persists Regarding Tobacco Cessation & Counseling Coverage**

KMA reports that in 2017, a new law was passed that ensured patients who want to quit smoking will have access to treatments and tobacco aids their physicians prescribe. After more than a year, confusion about what is covered persists. This is primarily because Kentucky regulation offers broader coverage that applied Medicaid, Medicaid Managed Care Originations (MCOs) and fully-funded health benefit plans while *it does not apply* to Medicare, Medicare Advantage, Tri-Care and self-funded health plans. Medicare is a federally funded program, and while some type of tobacco cessation and counseling is provided, it might not be as comprehensive as the tobacco treatment coverage in Kentucky.

For example:

- Medicare offers two cessation attempts per year, while the Kentucky program offers unlimited attempts (although Kentucky requires a prior-authorization after two attempts)
- Kentucky allows nicotine replacement therapy over the counter while Medicare does not.

Read more on [Medicare Coverage](#). For more information on this subject and to receive a copy of the KMA educational PowerPoint, "No Butts About it – Tobacco Screening and Cessation," which includes information on the hierarchy of ICD-10 coding for tobacco screening and cessation, contact Lindy Lady at [lady@kyrna.org](mailto:lady@kyrna.org).

### **Indiana Medicaid to Mass Adjust claims to which Patient Liability Deductions Were Applied Incorrectly**

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) posted the following important information to the provider website at [in.gov/medicaid/providers](http://in.gov/medicaid/providers) on December 18, 2018. The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) has identified a claim-processing issue that affects certain fee-for-service (FFS) claims for long-term care services processed from February 13, 2017, through July 18, 2018. In error, patient liability was deducted from claims for certain members after the members' patient liabilities were fulfilled. The claim-processing system has been corrected. Claims for affected members processed during the indicated time frame will be mass adjusted. Providers should see the adjusted claims on Remittance Advices (RAs) beginning January 23, 2019, with internal control numbers (ICNs)/Claim IDs that begin with 52 (mass replacement non-check related). For claims that were underpaid, the net difference will be paid and reflected on the RA. If providers collected excess patient liability amounts from members based on the initial adjudication of the affected claims, providers are required to refund the money to the members.

### **Did you know that conducting a Security Risk Analysis is a requirement of the "Promoting Interoperability" portion of the MIPS Quality Payment Program?**

The Security Risk Analysis (SRA) is something that you can do on your own and should be reviewed or updated at least annually. GLMS Practice Support & Tech Services can help review current policies and procedures to protect your practice from potential threats and vulnerabilities. GLMS also offers Managed IT Services at affordable monthly rates to keep your information securely monitored 24/7. For more information, contact [techservices@glms.org](mailto:techservices@glms.org).

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