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http://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph/dpc/sfl.html



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## **Breast Cancer Screening Risk Assessments**

In accordance with the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection and Prevention guidelines, the Screening For Life (SFL) program is now conducting annual breast cancer risk assessments on all enrolled women in the program who are 35 or older. SFL is utilizing the Tyrer-Cuzick model to



calculate clients' breast cancer risk. If the client is deemed to be high risk, the assessments results will be communicated to the client and the client's primary care provider. Providers may opt to conduct their own assessment utilizing their preferred assessment tool.

SFL funds can be used for annual breast cancer screenings among women who are considered to be at high risk for breast cancer. "Women at high risk" includes those who have a known genetic mutation such as BRCA 1 or 2, first-degree relatives with premenopausal breast cancer or known genetic mutations, a history of radiation treatment to the chest area before the age of 30 (typically for

Hodgkin's Lymphoma), and a lifetime risk of 20 percent or more for development of breast cancer based on risk assessment models that are largely dependent on family history. Women at high risk for breast cancer should be screened with **both** an annual mammogram and an annual breast magnetic resonance imaging.

#### **Screening for Life Database**

The new Screening for Life database is live! You can access it at the same URL that was previously used: <a href="https://healthaccessde.dhss.delaware.gov">https://healthaccessde.dhss.delaware.gov</a> If you or any of your staff needs access to the SFL database, contact Chelsea McCann-Eros, Health Program Coordinator, at 302-744-1074, or <a href="mailto:Chelsea\_McCann-Eros@delaware.gov">Chelsea can provide you with training information and the forms that need to be completed for secure access. The new database comes with many enhanced capabilities including:

- A client portal where clients can submit application and supporting documents or check on the status of their application.
- The ability for providers' offices to submit applications, forms, and claims electronically.
- The ability for providers to view and print ID cards.

We look forward to continuing to work to enhance the database over the course of the coming year! We have plans to continue to increase functionality for both our partners and our clients.

### WISEWOMAN

The Screening for Life program (SFL) is proud to announce that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention awarded the Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation for Women Across the Nation (WISEWOMAN™) grant. Accounting for one in every four deaths, heart disease is the leading cause of death for women in the United States, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. The WISEWOMAN™ program was created to help women understand and reduce their risk for heart disease and stroke to promote lasting heart-healthy lifestyles. Working with low-income, uninsured, and underinsured women ages 40-64 years, WISEWOMAN™ provides heart disease and stroke risk factor screenings and services that promote healthy Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation behaviors.



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Through the grant, the Division of Public Health will expand SFL to offer cardiovascular health services to eligible enrollees. Cardiovascular health services include:

- Cardiovascular disease (CVD) risk assessment by SFL providers
- Personalized risk reduction counseling
- Medical follow-up
- Referrals to community-based organizations (e.g. health coaching services, community health resources)

Delaware women between the ages of 40 and 64 are eligible for these cardiovascular health services if they meet SFL enrollment criteria. They must live in Delaware, earn a low income, and meet SFL income and be uninsured or underinsured. SFL will extend cardiovascular health services to enrolled women with the highest modifiable risk factors including obesity, elevated rates of hypertension (HTN), high cholesterol, physical inactivity, and tobacco use. This optimizes provision of cardiovascular health services to a target population in which modifiable risk factor prevalence is high, yet CVD prevalence rates have not yet peaked.

The grant starts on September 30, 2020. Stay tuned for more information on this exciting opportunity.

### **SFL Billing Corner**

# **Reminders & Updates**

The state fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. State Fiscal Year 2021 started July 1, 2020 and will run through June 30, 2021. State Fiscal Year 2020 dates of service for breast, cervical, colorectal, lung, and prostate cancer screenings are July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. Any claims with dates of services within this timeframe that have not been submitted to the program are no longer eligible for payment. Refer to your provider agreement, which indicates all claims/bills and screenings/diagnostics forms must be submitted to the SFL program within 60 days of the close of the fiscal year.