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AHEAD The Community Healthcare Access Program (CHAP), is in the process of changing and evolving due to the opportunities available for Delawareans to obtain healthcare coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. These changes affect applicant enrollment processes.

CHAP is now focused on providing services to Delawareans ineligible to purchase health insurance or exempt from the federal insurance mandate. Individuals wishing to apply for the program will be required to provide proof of their ineligibility or exemption. Examples of proof include:

- Medicaid Denial Letter
- Federal Exception Certification Number for the Health Insurance Marketplace or federal government
- Federal Ineligibility Certification Number, printed from the Health Insurance Marketplace
- Self-Attestation Letter

To learn more, call the Division of Public Health at 302-744-1040.

SFL Case Management Services Screening For Life

The purpose of Screening For Life (SFL) Case Management is to ensure that clients with abnormal screening results receive appropriate and timely clinical follow-up. Clinical follow-up refers to the procedures necessary to complete a diagnostic workup for an abnormal screening result, or the referral of a patient to treatment for a cancer diagnosis. Follow-up should begin when a provider receives abnormal screening results on a client's breast exam, or on a cervical, colorectal, or prostate screening test.

Providers are required to notify SFL of abnormal screening results and planned follow-up prior to scheduling any further tests/procedures.

SFL Case Managers are here to assist your practice. Case Managers review current SFL screening and diagnostic algorithms to determine the planned diagnostic tests/procedures are allowed services and the provider has a current agreement with SFL. When a client is diagnosed with cancer, Case Management staff follow-up by helping the client complete an application for assistance for cancer treatment programs when appropriate.

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Re-screening REMINDER

Re-screening is the process of returning for a screening test at a predetermined interval. Detection of breast, cervical, colorectal, and prostate cancers at early, more treatable stages through regular breast self-examination, clinical breast examination, screening mammography, pelvic exam, digital rectal exam, Pap test, fecal occult blood test, prostate specific antigen test, and colonoscopy is critically important in attempting to decrease the morbidity and mortality rate of these cancers. Pre-authorization by a SFL Case Manager is required for any variation to the following re-screening protocols.

- Breast Cancer Re-screen Protocol: SFL will reimburse for a CBE and mammogram within 10-18 months of the previous negative (normal) breast cancer screening.
- **Cervical Cancer Re-screen Protocol:** SFL will reimburse for a Pap test per the CDC Pap re-screening interval policy. The screening interval for negative (normal) Pap tests is once every three (3) years for woman ages 21 to 30, and once every three years for a pap or once every five years with Pap and HPV co-testing for women ages 30 to 64.
- Colorectal Cancer Re-screen Protocol: SFL will reimburse for fecal occult blood test (gFOBT or FIT) once a year, a Double Contrast Barium Enema (DCBE) every five years, a flexible sigmoidoscopy every fifth year with a gFOBT or FIT every 3 years, and a colonoscopy every ten years. This screening schedule is based on the assumption that the previous screen was negative (normal).
- **Prostate Re-screen Protocol:** SFL will reimburse for a prostate specific antigen (PSA) test and digital rectal exam once a year. This screening schedule is based on the assumption that the previous screen was negative (normal).

For additional questions regarding re-screening procedures, eligibility and information, contact the SFL/CHAP/DCTP Nurse Consultant, Sue Mitchell, at SusanE.Mitchell@state.de.us or, 302-744-1040 ext. 1080.

SFL Billing CORNER

The SFL billing staff would like to offer the opportunity to have your back-up reports faxed directly to your billing staff. Your payment is issued by the Delaware Office of the State Treasurer as either a check or ACH deposit. However, the back-up report for the payment is mailed by us here at the program. The two can be received as many as ten days apart.

Oftentimes the payment and back-up reports are not connected, which generates calls to our office for the backup report to be faxed. We hope to resolve this dilemma by faxing the back-up report directly to your billing office immediately after payment has been initiated.

Simply call us at 302-744-1040 and ask for Billing— we will gladly get this set up for you.