

UPDATE:

**Georgia Families 360°SM (GF360) Adoption Assistance
discharge planning from psychiatric residential treatment
facility**

Summary of change: Effective February 1, 2018, Amerigroup Community Care will no longer provide additional authorized covered days for GF360 Adoption Assistance program members past the authorized last covered date from a psychiatric residential treatment facility (PRTF). However, there will still be a 10-calendar day period authorized for placement transition planning after the authorized last covered date for members enrolled in GF360 as foster care members admitted to PRTFs.

What this means to me:

GF360 Adoption Assistance members will no longer receive an additional 10-day authorization past the authorized last covered date.

- Providers should ensure that transition and discharge planning occurs prior to the authorized last covered date.
- This change does not affect GF360-enrolled foster care members. GF360 members enrolled as foster care members will still receive up to 10 calendar days for placement transition planning after the authorized last covered date.

Why is this change necessary?

Plans for discharge are to begin upon admission to PRTF. Those members who are enrolled in the Adoption Assistance program have guardians who should also be included in the discharge and transition planning from the date of admission. Ensuring guardian participation in the PRTF treatment process, especially discharge planning, decreases the likelihood of readmission to PRTF.

What is the impact of this change?

Failure to complete discharge and transition planning prior to the authorized last covered date may result in uncovered days. Claims submitted for payment of unauthorized covered days will be denied.

What if I need assistance?

If you have questions about this communication or need assistance with any other item, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services at 1-800-454-3730.