

Provider Update

Physician Assistant Billing Changes

Summary of change: Effective May 1, 2013, Amerigroup Community Care will no longer credential the physician assistant specialty.

✦ **What this means to you:**

Physician assistants will be required to bill under their supervising physician for all services. Claims billed for physician assistant services will be denied.

Why is this change necessary?

This change is consistent with existing Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene billing guidelines.

What is the impact of the change?

After May 1, 2013, physician assistants will no longer be assigned as primary care providers for our members. Members will be assigned to a supervising physician for their primary care needs. Physician assistants may still treat members but must bill for these services under their supervising physician.

What if I need help?

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

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