

Provider Update

PCP rate increase update

Background: In compliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), as amended by Section 1202 of the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act, Amerigroup Community Care is required to reimburse Medicaid PCPs at parity with Medicare rates for qualified providers and qualified services in calendar years 2013 and 2014. The PPACA increased reimbursement terminates effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2015. Unless Congress reauthorizes funding for the program prior to this effective date, Amerigroup will no longer receive increased funding from the Federal government to provide increased reimbursement to Medicare levels for primary care services. Amerigroup will continue to reimburse qualified providers and qualified services provided in 2013 and 2014, in accordance with the requirements of the PPACA.

✦ **What this means to you:** This is an amendment to your existing provider manual. Please review the information and file it with your Amerigroup Participating Provider Agreement. You do not need to sign or return anything to Amerigroup.

What is the impact of this change?

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2015, Amerigroup will no longer provide increased reimbursement to Medicare levels for primary care services. Reimbursement for primary care services will be in accordance with the rates specified in the Participating Provider Agreement.

For services provided in 2013 and 2014, Amerigroup will continue to reimburse qualified providers and qualified services in accordance with the requirements of the PPACA and Amerigroup Claims Submission and Adjudication Procedures.

What if I need assistance?

If you have questions, please contact your local Provider Relations representative or call our Provider Services team at 1-800-454-3730.

