Provider communication on hepatitis C


As part of the elimination plan, Washington State is providing Mavyret, a direct-acting antiviral for the treatment of chronic hepatitis C (HCV), at no cost and with no prior authorization requirement for all Medicaid members eligible to receive Mavyret in Washington State for four years effective July 31, 2019.

According to the Health Care Authority, about 30,000 people living with HCV in Washington State are covered by state-purchased health care insurance and programs. Almost all people living with HCV can be cured with a short-course, well-tolerated, all-oral treatment. We are reaching out to you to convey the importance of screening and treating patients who have chronic HCV.

Because so many patients with HCV may be asymptomatic or may not prioritize HCV over other medical and social conditions, providers play a critical role in educating patients about the importance of addressing and treating HCV. Fortunately, patients can achieve a sustained virologic response (SVR12) 12 weeks after the end of treatment.

Amerigroup Washington, Inc. has made eliminating HCV a priority. We are working with Consistent Care,* a patient-centered case management partner, to reach out to members living with untreated chronic HCV to engage them, get them into treatment and complete treatment.

Consistent Care staff may contact you to coordinate treatment of chronic HCV. If you are interested in treating Amerigroup members with chronic hepatitis C, please contact Consistent Care at 1-888-891-0027.

* Consistent Care is an independent company providing case management services on behalf of Amerigroup Washington, Inc.

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