



Hospital/Physician/Provider Bulletin

Subject: Retro Coverage	
Plan: Coordinated Care – Retro	Bulletin Date: May 22, 2009
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The purpose of this bulletin is to inform all participating hospitals, physicians and other providers that for dates of service beginning June 1st, 2009, no retrospective payments will be made to providers prior to a member's enrollment in the Coordinated Care Program.

Based on growing and continuing demand, the Health Care District of Palm Beach County is discontinuing the practice of paying for services rendered before patients become members of the District's Coordinated Care Program.

Beginning June 1, 2009 for dates of service incurred after June 1, 2009, the Health Care District will not be reimbursing hospitals for Retro coverage for the four (4) hospital days and the fifteen (15) days of non-hospital medical services unless the patient is eligible for the Coordinated Care Program at the time of admission.

All applications for Retro coverage for dates of service prior to June 1, 2009 must be received by September 27, 2009. This is consistent with the current 120 day application submission process.

The Health Care District recognizes the importance of connecting uninsured residents with the District and will continue to work with area hospitals to evaluate all Coordinated Care applications submitted. These applications will be processed along with all other applications received by the District and will be assigned an effective date based on the date the application is approved. Applications for interim Option 2 coverage will also continue.

If you have questions regarding this provider bulletin, please contact your Provider Representative at (561) 659-1002

Please insert this bulletin into your Provider Handbook. The policies and procedures in this bulletin supersede any related policies and procedures within the handbook.