


GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Department of Health Care Finance



Office of the Senior Deputy Director/Medicaid Director

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TO: Medical Residents and Interns that Order, Refer, or Prescribe Items, Services, or Medications to D.C. Medicaid beneficiaries

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Senior Deputy Director and State Medicaid Director

DATE: April 24, 2018

SUBJECT: D.C. Medicaid Enrollment Requirement for Medical Residents and Interns

The purpose of this transmittal is to notify Residents and Interns practicing under a Medical Training License (MTL) in the District of Columbia of the applicability of Federal Medicaid provider enrollment requirements.

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) requires that all medical practitioners who issue orders, referrals, or prescriptions to D.C. Medicaid beneficiaries, be enrolled in the D.C. Medicaid program.¹ DHCF has determined that the enrollment requirement applies to Residents and Interns because their MTL enables them to issue orders, referrals, and prescriptions to D.C. Medicaid beneficiaries. Accordingly, all Residents and Interns, as well as visiting Fellows or any other practitioner practicing under an MTL must enroll as ordering/referring/prescribing (ORP) providers in the D.C. Medicaid program. Failure to enroll means that payment for the item, service or prescription will be denied.

DHCF offers a streamlined enrollment application for all ORP providers, **including Residents and Interns with an active D.C. Medical training license.** The Streamlined Application is available through DHCF's Provider Data Management System (PDMS), available at <https://www.dcpdms.com/Account/Login.aspx>. There is **no application fee** associated with the Streamlined Application, nor are ORP providers required to see fee-for-service Medicaid beneficiaries. Residents and Interns who currently practice under a DC-issued MTL should complete the Streamlined Application as soon as possible but no later than July 1, 2018. New Residents and Interns who have not yet started their residency or intern program should complete the Streamlined Application after they receive their DC-issued MTL and before they begin their residency or internship program.

¹ 42 C.F.R. § 455.410(b) provides that the state Medicaid agency must require all ordering, prescribing, or referring physicians or other eligible professionals providing services under the State Plan, or under a waiver of the Plan, to be enrolled as participating providers.

The vendor that administers the PDMS is MAXIMUS. DHCF has arranged for MAXIMUS to host a series of webinars during the months of May and June to provide technical assistance and instructions regarding how to complete the enrollment process as follows:

May 23, 2018:	10:30am and 2:30pm Onsite and Webinar
June 6, 2018:	10:30am and 2:30pm Onsite and Webinar
June 19, 2018:	10:30am and 2:30pm Onsite and Webinar
June 27, 2018:	10:30am only Onsite only

Onsite address:
MAXIMUS
1111 14TH Street, NW, Suite 720
Washington, DC 20005

*Webinar Information (Ready Talk): www.readytalk.com

1-866-740-1260 (Passcode: 3739341) and join the call

If you have any questions regarding Ready Talk, please contact the Provider Customer Service and Enrollment Center at 1-844-218-9700.

For any other questions regarding the ORP enrollment mandate, please contact Mike Brown, Manager of the DHCF Division of Public and Private Provider Services at (202) 698-2044, or by e-mail at mikel.brown@dc.gov.

For questions regarding FFS Medicaid Pharmacy Policy, please visit DCPBM.com or call the District's Technical Assistance line: 1-800-272-9679 or Clinical Assistance line: 1-800-273-4963.

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DC Hospital Association
DC Primary Care Association
DC Board of Nursing
DC Health Care Association
DC Home Care Association
DC Behavioral Health Association
DC Coalition of Disability Service Providers