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# Florida Blue and Truli for Health Providers

## ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS

#### Please Direct Members to Quest Diagnostics for Lab Services

Remember to direct Florida Blue members to Quest Diagnostics, our in-network provider for lab services. Quest Diagnostics and its subsidiaries, AmeriPath and Dermpath Diagnostics, are the preferred laboratory providers for most Florida Blue plans. *Learn more>>* 

#### **Risk Adjustment Data Validation Call for Medical Records**

The Department of Health and Human Services requires health plans like Florida Blue to validate the accuracy of risk adjustment data submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. As a result, you may receive medical record requests between July and November. <u>Learn more>></u>

## **NATURAL DISASTERS/HURRICANES**

#### Remember These Important Guidelines During Hurricane Season

Natural disasters and other emergencies are unpredictable; however, we can be prepared and understand how to complete required transactions in the event of a disaster. Please remember to accept member ID cards from Florida Blue and Truli for Health members. We are providing other important reminders and guidelines to follow during these types of events. <u>Learn more>></u>

### **PHARMACY**

#### **Commercial and Other Pharmacy Program Updates**

The latest changes to our pharmacy programs become effective July 1, 2025. These changes affect our preferred drug lists and medication guides, including prior authorization requirements, the Responsible Quantity Program, Responsible Steps, and the Pharmacy Coverage Exclusions List. <u>Learn more>></u>

#### Pharmacy Updates to Commercially Insured Medical Coverage Guidelines Now Available

Each month and quarter, our Medical Coverage Guidelines (MCGs) for the commercially insured are updated and published at FloridaBlue.com under *Medical and Pharmacy Policies and Guidelines, What's New.* The June 15, 2025 updates include, but are not limited to, a revision to the **Soliris** MCG to include the biosimilar agents Epysqli and Bkemv. This update also has a revision to the **Uplizna** MCG to include the indication for immunoglobulin G4-related disease (IgG4-RD). Many other MCG changes are listed. *Learn more>>* 

# **PROVIDER SELF-SERVICE TOOLS**

#### Availity URL Change: New Address for Essentials Login

The web address for Availity Essentials is changing. Beginning July 16, 2025, users will be redirected automatically to the new URL, essentials.availity.com. To support a smooth transition, we are sharing some tips and reminders. <u>Learn more>></u>

# **QUALITY / HEDIS / CAHPS**

#### Keep Your Patients Healthy Through HPV Vaccination

Health care providers play an essential role in increasing human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine rates among patients, particularly pre-adolescents ages 9 to 13. A physician's recommendation is key in motivating parents to have their children vaccinated against HPV. Be sure to make the HPV vaccine a priority before the new school year begins. *Learn more>>* 

#### Statins for Patients with Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease

A sizable number of our adult members, your patients, are living with diabetes and/or heart disease. Together, we can help improve their health by following HEDIS quality guidelines from the Statins for Patients with Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease measure. <u>Learn more>></u>

# For Florida Blue Providers Only

# **QUALITY / HEDIS / CAHPS**

#### Sign Up for Florida Blue's Next HEDIS Innovations Webinar on July 29

Join us for our next webinar on July 29, 2025. You will hear best practices and the latest on the Adult Immunization Status (AIS) and Childhood Immunization Status (CIS), as well as other preventive HEDIS measures. Continuing medical education (CME) credit is available. <u>Learn more>></u>

## UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT AND OTHER PROGRAMS

#### **Change in Medicare Post Acute Care Program Management**

Effective October 1, 2025, management of our Medicare Post Acute Care (PAC) program will transition from CareCentrix to Florida Blue Utilization Management. The PAC program will continue to provide authorizations for post-acute placement at skilled nursing facilities, acute inpatient rehabilitation, sub-acute rehabilitation, and long-term acute care. <u>Learn more>></u>

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