

IHCP *bulletin*

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IHCP to cover inpatient services for eligible Department of Correction inmates

Effective December 17, 2014, the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) will cover inpatient services for IHCP-eligible Indiana Department of Correction (DOC) inmates admitted as inpatients to an acute care hospital, nursing facility, or intermediate care facility. Covered inpatient services exclude transportation services, per *Section 1905 (a)(A) of the Social Security Act*.

Providers rendering inpatient services to IHCP-eligible DOC inmates must submit IHCP claims for these services once eligibility has been established. Billing the IHCP will allow the State to recoup federal financial participation (FFP) dollars for these services. Coverage applies retroactively to dates of service on or after **May 1, 2014**.

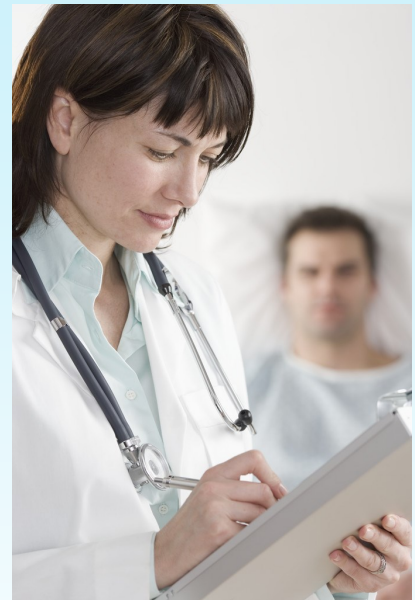
Eligibility determination

When a DOC inmate is admitted to the inpatient facility, the DOC medical provider, Corizon Health, will assist the inmate in completing the *Indiana Application for Health Coverage*. Eligibility for IHCP coverage requires the inmate to meet standard eligibility criteria as determined by the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, Division of Family Resources (FSSA/DFR). If the individual is deemed eligible for IHCP coverage, Corizon Health will notify billing providers so claims can be submitted to the IHCP for reimbursement consideration.

Billing procedures

Allowable inpatient services will continue to be limited to those authorized by Corizon Health. Billing providers should follow current procedures for submitting claims to Corizon Health for adjudication. Corizon Health will notify providers on the Remittance Advice (RA) if an inmate is eligible for IHCP coverage, indicating that the claim should be billed to the IHCP. In instances where eligibility is determined after Corizon Health has made payment, an adjusted RA will be issued indicating IHCP eligibility and recouping payment for the eligible inmate.

On notification, providers must verify member eligibility and submit claims to the IHCP using their standard transaction method. The IHCP Eligibility Verification System (EVS) will be updated to include a DOC identifier. Corizon Health will retroactively review claims submitted to the IHCP and will initiate adjustments for unapproved services. If unapproved services were paid by the IHCP, the current IHCP recouping process will be followed.



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