

PROVIDER NOTICE

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Corrected Process for Submitting Maryland Prenatal Risk Assessment (MPRA) Forms

Effective Date: Nov. 16, 2023

Health Plans Affected: Priority Partners

Type of Change: Process

Explanation of Change:

COMAR regulations (10.67.04.08C) require that Priority Partners prenatal care providers complete the [MPRA form*](#) at the pregnant member's first prenatal visit. This step helps Priority Partners providers develop treatment plans tailored to the pregnant member, especially in the cases of conditions such as hypertension, diabetes, and substance use issues, to name a few.

Priority Partners can also use the MPRA form to refer pregnant individuals to additional Medicaid maternal services, including the Doula program, CenteringPregnancy services, Healthy Steps, Healthy Babies Pregnancy and Postpartum Coverage, Home Visiting Services, and Maternal Opioid Care Management Services.

The regulation also requires that Priority Partners providers forward, within 10 days, the completed [MPRA form*](#) to the local health department in the jurisdiction in which the pregnant member resides.

Corrected process for MPRA forms - Please follow the steps on Page 3 of the [MPRA form*](#). Instructions:

- On the initial visit, the provider/staff will complete the demographic and assessment sections for pregnant women enrolled in Medicaid at registration and those applying for Medicaid.
 - Enter both the provider and site/facility NPI numbers.
 - Print clearly; use black pen for all sections.
 - If the client does not have a Social Security Number, enter zeroes.
 - Indicate the person completing the form.
 - Review for completeness and accuracy.
 - Fax the MPRA to the local health department in the member's county of residence. To reorder forms call the local Administrative Care Coordination Unit (ACCU).

NOTE: Providers should send MPRA forms to the ACCUs separately for each pregnant individual, not bundled, to prevent administration processing errors.

Questions: Call 800-557-6916 or visit the [MDH's MPRA section*](#) on its website.

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