

July 14, 2017

**MEDSTAR FAMILY CHOICE INTRODUCES A
CHILDHOOD SUMMER WELLNESS VISIT INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR
PARTICIPATING PRIMARY CARE PRACTITIONERS IN OUR
MARYLAND HEALTHCHOICE PLAN**

MedStar Family Choice will incentivize participating practitioners with a \$20.00 bonus for each eligible well child visit for any Maryland member that is held between their 3rd and 21st birthday, which is submitted for dates of service from 7/17/17 to 9/30/17. Bonus payments will be paid out separately from the normal remittance process as follows, and will be accompanied by a list of claims that were used to calculate the bonus:

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| 10-31-17 payout | for claims submitted and paid by 09-30-17 |
| 02-28-18 payout | for claims submitted and paid by 01-31-18 |
| 05-31-18 payout | for claims submitted and paid by 4-30-18 |

For purposes of this Incentive Program and the Bonus payout an eligible visit is defined as follows:

- A wellness exam code of 99382 or 99383 for ages 3 & 4
- A wellness exam code of 99383 or 99393 for ages 5-11
- A wellness exam code of 99384 or 99394 for ages 12-17
- A wellness exam code of 99385 or 99395 for ages 18-20
- FQHCs in MD will need to bill the wellness exam code on the claim in addition to the trigger code for the claim to be considered for the bonus
- The member must be eligible for coverage on the date of service
- The claim must be filed within normal timely filing guidelines
- If the member has primary coverage the claim must be filed to MFC within the same bonus time periods as claims where primary coverage does not exist
- The wellness exam needs to follow guidelines established by Hedis, EPSDT, and/or DC Healthcheck

There is no limit to the number of eligible visits that will be considered for the bonus for each practitioner/office as the intent of this program is to incentivize offices to see as many children as possible for their age appropriate wellness exams between now and the beginning of the school year. Any age appropriate immunizations, screenings, or diagnostic testing that is needed should also be performed during the visit.

Please note: visits billed under E&M codes only will not be eligible for the bonus.

You can contact Provider Relations at 1-800-905-1722 option 5 if you have any questions or concerns.