

# **Monthly Topics for February 2022**

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#### **February is American Heart Month**

February is **American Heart Month**, a time to raise awareness about heart health. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), about 659,000 people in the United States die from heart disease each year – **that's 1 in every 4 deaths**.

Heart disease may be "silent" and not diagnosed until a person experiences signs or symptoms of a heart attack, heart failure, or an arrhythmia. When these events happen, symptoms may include:

- Heart attack: Chest pain or discomfort, upper back or neck pain, indigestion, heartburn, nausea or vomiting, extreme fatigue, upper body discomfort, dizziness, and shortness of breath.
- Arrhythmia: Fluttering feelings in the chest (palpitations).
- Heart failure: Shortness of breath, fatigue, or swelling of the feet, ankles, legs, abdomen, or neck veins.

Please visit <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/heartdisease/about.htm">https://www.cdc.gov/heartdisease/about.htm</a> to learn more.

## **Molina Portal Information**

On March 1, 2022, the Molina Legacy Provider Portal will no longer accept new user registrations. Providers should register with Availity at availity.com Once registered with Availity, providers will have access to the Availity Portal training by following these steps:

- 1. Log in to Availity Portal
- 2. Select Help & Training > Get Trained
- 3. In the Availity Learning Center (ALC) that opens in a new browser tab, search the catalog and enroll for this title: Availity Overview for Molina Providers Recorded Webinar

To view the Availity new user guide, visit: <a href="https://www.availity.com/documents/Welcome\_New\_User.pdf">https://www.availity.com/documents/Welcome\_New\_User.pdf</a>
To learn how Molina is working with Availity: <a href="https://www.availity.com/molinahealthcare">www.availity.com/molinahealthcare</a>

#### **Supplemental Data HEDIS 2021**

The deadline to submit claims and EMR/Registry data exchange is March 31, 2022 to count towards the 2021 HEDIS measurement year. The deadline to submit medical records ended January 15, 2022.

## Molina Medicare and Marketplace are expanding in 2022

*Molina Medicare* is expanding into 8 Michigan counties in 2022. These counties include Benzie, Montmorency, Oscoda, Ogemaw, Iosco, St. Clair, Hillsdale and Lenawee. *Molina Marketplace* is expanding into 7 counties in 2022. These counties include Mason, Osceola, Newago, Mecosta, Montcalm, Ottawa and Barry.

#### **CAHPS Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems**

A sample of members from all lines of business will receive surveys and reminders from February to June. The survey asks members how they feel about their doctor, their overall health, and their health plan. Please encourage patients to complete the survey. Flier is attached.

## MDHHS We Treat HEP C

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has launched a public health campaign called We Treat Hep C aimed at eliminating Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) in Michigan. The initiative involves increasing the number of people who are tested for HCV. All adults ages 18 and older should be screened for HCV at least once in a lifetime, except in settings where the prevalence of HCV infection (HCV RNC-positivity) is less than 0.1%. Information/FAQ about HCV HEP C is attached.