

The Role of New York Medicaid CHOICE (NYMC) in the Mandatory Managed Long Term Care Program

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What is NYMC?

- We are a subcontractor of the NYS Department of Health.
- Serving as the Enrollment Broker since 1998
- Assist Medicaid consumers to make informed health care decisions
- Process enrollments, transfers, disenrollments, exemptions and exclusions
- Handle consumer complaints
- Respond to questions or refer to the appropriate agency
- Independent of all managed care health plans



What is NYMC? cont.

 New York Medicaid CHOICE employs a multi-faceted approach to <u>maximize</u> <u>informed consumer choice</u> and <u>minimize</u> <u>auto assignments.</u>

 The program is managed and closely monitored by the State Department of Health, the Human Resources Administration and Local Department of Social Services.



Education

- NYMC will be sending the mandatory packet to consumers:
 - currently receiving Fee-For-Service (FFS)
 Long Term Care for more than 120 days
 - Medicaid and Medicare eligible
 - and 21 or older.
- The packet informs consumers of their 60 days to choose a plan.
- If they do not choose plan, a partial plan will be chosen for them.



Education cont.

The Mandatory Packet instructs consumers to contact NYMC if they have any questions or need assistance in choosing a Managed Long Tern Care (MLTC) Plan.

NYMC is able to research provider information in the Health Plan Network (HPN).



Enrollment

- NYMC can process enrollments into Partial Plans for consumers who received the Mandatory Packet.
- Consumers who received a Mandatory Packet and request to enroll into a Medicaid Advantage Plus (MAP) or Pace Plan, will be transferred to their plan of choice.
- Consumers who have not received a packet and request to enroll will be transferred to their plan of choice, regardless of the plan type (Partial, Pace, MAP).



Enrollment cont.

 Once the call is transferred to the plan, the plan will be required to assess the consumers and if appropriate submit the transaction to NYMC.



Enrollment Confirmation

 NYMC sends confirmation notices to consumers for accepted enrollments.

 Plans are notified of their enrollment status via the NYMC Electronic files.

 Plans will know the origin of their enrollment via their NYMC Electronic files using the transaction types and source codes.



Transfers and Disenrollments

- We define transfer as a consumer requesting to go from any Medicaid Managed Care Plan into a MLTC Plan.
- Disenrollment is defined as a person requesting to be on FFS Medicaid (without Long Term Care services unless they are exempt or excluded).
- Consumers who request to transfer will be directed to their plan of choice.
- Consumers who request to disenroll will be referred to their current plan.



Transfers and Disenrollments cont.

- NYMC will inform consumers that they can only receive FFS Long Term Care if they qualify for an exemption/exclusion.
- If the consumer does not qualify for an exemption/exclusion they can only receive long term care services from a Plan.
- NYMC is developing forms for MLTC Plans to use for the transfer and disenrollment processes.
- Plans will send these forms to NYMC for processing. They will receive status of their transactions within 48 hours.

