

## An important message from **Provider Relations**







Thank you for your continued partnership with Allwell from Home State Health.

Effective January 1, 2020, the Medicare Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) benefit now covers opioid use disorder (OUD) treatment services furnished by OTP providers as part of Medicare Part B. Additionally, Medicare will become the primary payer for dually eligible enrollees who may previously have obtained OTP services through Medicaid.

As a Medicare Advantage plan, Allwell from Home State Health also now includes this OTP benefit for our dually eligible members. However, in order to administer this benefit, our contracted OTP providers must adhere to Medicare Part B service requirements, including enrollment as an OTP service provider with Medicare.

Therefore, if you are not yet enrolled as an OTP service provider in Medicare, we encourage you to begin the enrollment process as soon as possible, and to open the doors to patients who may use this benefit to cover their OUD treatment services. Steps for beginning OTP enrollment are outlined below.

## ✓ <u>STEP 1</u>: SAMHSA Certification and Accreditation

To be eligible to enroll as an OTP service provider with Medicare, your program must have current, valid, and full certification by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and meet all the criteria required by SAMHSA including but not limited to: Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration, State licensure, and accreditation.

## ✓ STEP 2: Enroll in Medicare

Enroll in Medicare using the Provider Enrollment, Chain, and Ownership System (PECOS). PECOS lets you complete most of your enrollment activities online, including submitting your enrollment application and changing existing Medicare enrollment record information. PECOS expedites the enrollment process because it verifies enrollment information online then electronically sends it to your Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) for processing. If you can't enroll electronically, you can complete a paper application and mail it to your MAC, however, this process takes longer than the online submission.

For further details on Medicare enrollment, please use the navigation below to find on the CMS website:

- Visit www.cms.org
- Click on the Medicare tab on left end of top navigation bar
- **Keep Up with Our Latest News and Announcements!** All of Home State's News and Announcements are located on our website at <a href="www.HomeStateHealth.com">www.HomeStateHealth.com</a>. Here you can also find our annual provider manual, provider training opportunities, quarterly provider newsletters, and so much more!

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- Scroll down page to "Medicare Fee-for-Service Payment" section
- Click on "Opioid Treatment Programs (OTP)" link
- Click on "Enrollment" in the blue navigation bar to reach information

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to our Provider Services team with any questions you may have at MAPD 1-855-766-1452/DSNP 1-833-298-3361.

Sincerely, Allwell from Home State Health

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