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To: OHP fee-for-service physicians, nurse practitioners and physician assistants practicing General Internal Medicine, Pediatric Medicine, or Family Medicine

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Subject: 2013-2014 Federal Primary Care Rate Update

The federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved DMAP's updated Medicaid State Plan, which describes how we will apply the [two-year primary care rate increase available under Section 1202 of the Affordable Care Act](#). This letter is to let you know how we plan to apply the increase.

DMAP plans to apply the rate increase to eligible claims starting the week of July 8, 2013

We plan to update our system to pay [the increased rates](#) the week of July 8, 2013. The increase will only apply to [eligible services](#) rendered by providers who [attested with DMAP](#).

- **If you attested with DMAP by June 20** and do not see the increase on your remittance advice for any claims submitted the week of July 8, we will contact you to discuss the information we need from you.
- **If you attested with DMAP after June 20**, you will see the increase once we review your attestation, obtain any needed corrections, and update your provider record to indicate that you qualify for the increase.

If you attested with DMAP by June 20, 2013, DMAP will reprocess eligible claims submitted between January 1 and the date that we begin paying the new rate

We plan to reprocess these claims in August 2013. The reprocessing will apply the primary care rate increase, effective back to the beginning of the quarter you attested.

We will also reprocess other non-primary care claims at the same time. Once we have confirmed the date, we will send another announcement to tell you when the reprocessing will occur, what claims we will reprocess, and what you can expect to see on your paper or electronic remittance advice about this activity.

The full rate increase will not apply to eligible Medicare-Medicaid claims until later this year

The primary care rate increase exceeds current Medicare rates, and our payment system is only able to pay up to current Medicare rates. This means that starting the week of July 8, [eligible services](#) billed on Medicare-Medicaid claims will only pay the increase up to the current Medicare rate.

We are working on a solution to this issue. In the meantime, please do not adjust these claims. We plan to pay the portion of the increase that exceeds the Medicare rate by manually reprocessing eligible Medicare-Medicaid claims on a weekly basis. We will let you know when we are ready to start doing this.

Questions?

Thank you for your continued support of the Oregon Health Plan and the services you provide to our members.

To view all procedure codes eligible for the increase and the federal primary care rate for each code, please [see our rate list](#).

If you have any questions about this announcement, contact the Provider Services Unit at dmap.providerservices@state.or.us or call 1-800-336-6016, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (phone lines closed 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. daily).

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