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Provider Alerts

Important information for our providers

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Help Patients Make Informed Flu, RSV, and Covid-19 Prevention Decisions

As respiratory virus season continues, changing vaccine guidance may cause confusion. As their primary care provider, you can help members make informed vaccination decisions by encouraging them to share any questions or concerns with you. Keep in mind that some members may also face barriers to getting vaccinated. Translation and interpreter services are also available to help patients receive support in their preferred language.

Flu and RSV

Your recommendation can strongly influence a member's decision to get vaccinated. Explain the benefits of flu and RSV vaccines and recommend appropriate options.
AmeriHealth Caritas Next/First Choice covers flu and RSV vaccines at no cost for members when provided by a primary care provider or participating pharmacy. Eligibility for the RSV vaccine may vary based on current recommendations.
Flu and RSV vaccine recommendations may change as new information emerges. For the latest guidance, visit www.cdc.gov/vaccines/index or www.cdc.gov/acip/index.

COVID-19

Please discuss the benefits of COVID-19 vaccination and recommend it when appropriate based on current guidance. AmeriHealth Caritas Next/First Choice covers the COVID-19 vaccine at no cost for members when administered in a primary care provider's office or at a participating pharmacy. Age limits for children may vary based on current recommendations and the vaccine manufacturer.
For information about medical conditions associated with a higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19, visit www.cdc.gov/covid/risk-factors.

Please note: The CDC's list does not include every medical condition that may increase a person's risk of severe illness from COVID-19. Rare conditions, including many that primarily affect children, may not be listed, and a person with an unlisted condition may still be at greater risk.

Questions:
Thank you for your continued commitment to keeping our communities and those we serve healthy. If you have questions about this communication, please contact Provider Services or your Provider Network Account Executive.

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