

Quality Improvement Projects for ACHN Organizations

Each of the seven (7) Alabama Coordinated Health Network (ACHN) organizations is required by the Alabama Medicaid Agency to develop, implement, and monitor Quality Improvement Projects in three categories:

Adverse Birth Outcomes

Childhood Obesity

Substance Use Disorder

As providers in the ACHN, you play a key role in helping us meet our goals.

How Can You Help?

Send Referrals to NACC for Recipients who:

- Have a BMI of ≥ 30 at their prenatal appointment.
- Fail their Glucose Tolerance Test.

Our focus is to provide:

- Nutritional and healthy lifestyle counseling.
- Breastfeeding education.
- Smoking cessation education.
- Enrollment in Family Planning.



Need information on our referrals?

Visit our referrals page on our website:

www.northalcc.org/referrals

Ultimately, our goals are to prevent adverse birth outcomes and reduce childhood obesity in Alabama. As Delivering Health Care Providers, you know firsthand the adverse outcomes associated with maternal obesity such as birth defects, infertility, labor and delivery complications, fetal and neonatal death, stillbirths, delivery of large for gestational age infants, and maternal complications such as hypertension, gestational diabetes, and preeclampsia.

By working together, we can help reduce adverse birth outcomes and improve the lives of mothers and babies in Alabama.

COVID-19 Public Health Emergency – Ending Preparations

This information is listed in the August 22nd, 2022, Alabama Medicaid Alert located: https://medicaid.alabama.gov/alert_detail.aspx?ID=15936

The Alabama Medicaid Agency has announced that the COVID-19 PHE coverage is tentatively expected to expire on September 30th, 2022. Preparations for the ending coverage is underway. The Agency has asked that Medicaid partners assist in “relaying a consistent and simple message to the Medicaid recipients by sharing key messages from the Agency in your newsletters, social media posts, and other means of communication.”

Unwinding Toolkit

The Agency has created an Unwinding Toolkit for providers to aid in communications with recipients during this time. The Unwinding Toolkit can be located at:

https://medicaid.alabama.gov/documents/7.0_Providers/7.11_COVID-19_Information_For_Providers/7.11_PHE_Unwinding_Toolkit_7-12-22.pdf

The “Yellow Postcard” Campaign

The Agency distributed yellow postcards with information for recipients on how to update their addresses with the agencies. These postcards were sent to providers and other Medicaid partners for display in check-in and check-out windows or counters. If you need additional postcards, they can be downloaded from the Agency’s website and are available in English and Spanish:

https://medicaid.alabama.gov/content/7.0_Providers/7.11_COVID-19_Vaccine_Providers.aspx

Hello, 2023!

Just a friendly reminder that the ACHN follows a fiscal year calendar. The 2022 year will end September 30th, 2022, and the new year begins October 1st, 2022.

We Can Help!

Our Care Coordination services are available to help your patients get healthy and stay healthy.

For more information, visit:

www.NorthALCC.org

Want to join our email list?

We send out important alerts and announcements.

Visit our website and select “Medical Management Meetings” and fill out the form to join.

Has your information changed?

Please let us know if your contact information or provider roster has changed.