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WMS Changes

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Currently, upon notification of release from NYS DOCCS (prisons), Medicaid benefits are reinstated for recipients whose coverage was placed in suspended status. To facilitate access to medical care and services upon release, DOH will automatically reinstate Medicaid coverage for individuals whose coverage was placed in suspended status using Coverage Code 07 (Emergency Inpatient Hospital Only), 04 (Family Planning Benefit Program) or Coverage Code 26 (Inpatient Hospital Only) and are expected to be released from a NYS DOCCS facility in 30 days or less.

At a date to be determined, NYS DOCCS will provide to DOH a Daily Pre-Release file for client(s) who are expected to be released in 30 days or less. Districts will be notified when the pre-release process will begin. The following will occur:

- Medicaid benefits will be automatically reinstated effective the first day of the transaction month with an open-ended coverage "TO" date set to 12/31/49. Medicaid payments made during this period of incarceration continue to be limited to inpatient hospital services provided off the grounds of the correctional facility.
- New Restriction/Exception (R/E) Code "PL" will be used to prevent enrollment in managed care during incarceration. This R/E "FROM" date will be automatically set to the first day of the transaction month with an open-ended "TO" date of 12/31/99.
- A Common Benefit Identification Card (CBIC) will be systemically generated to the correctional facility and made available to the individual upon release to the community.
- A new upstate reason code C46, Pre-Release Notice, "30 Days Prior to Release" will be automatically issued to the incarcerated at the correctional facility not more than once per year.

Upon receipt of NYS DOCCS Daily Release file, the existing release process will continue with the additional change below:

- R/E Code "PL" will be systemically shortened from 12/31/99 and end-dated with a date equal to the transaction date.

NYS DOCCS will provide to DOH a NYS DOCCS Daily Cancellation File for client(s) who were previously reported on a Pre-Release file and had an expected release date (ERD) changed to 15 days or more from the previous ERD. The following will occur:

- Recipient will be re-suspended using the current suspension rules with the following exceptions:
 - Authorization Period FROM date will be set to the transaction date

- MA Coverage FROM date will be set to the transaction date
- WMS edit error 0591 - DOWNGRADE OF MA COVERAGE CODES HAS OCCURRED will be bypassed
- Transaction Worker Identifier will be set RESUS
- No Client Notification will be sent

List of Response codes and definitions:

In order to support the pre-release process with DOCCS, new release codes 96,97,98, and 99 have been created:

Release Code	Release Status	Required WMS Action	DOCCS File
01	Released to Street	Reactivate MA	Final Release
02	Released to Parole	Reactivate MA	Final Release
03	Released to Immigration	Close case with Reason Code C69	Final Release
04	Released to Local Law Enforcement	No Action – Case Remains in Suspend status	Final Release
05	Released to other state	Close case with Reason Code C53	Final Release
06	Released to federal government	Close case with Reason Code C53	Final Release
07	Released to OMH	Final Release	Final Release
08	Deceased	Close case with Reason Code E 95	Final Release
09	Released to DFY or other Agency	No Action - Case remains in Suspend status	Final Release
96	Pre-Release Initial File	Reinstate Coverage, CBIC needs to be issued	Pre-Release
97	Pre-Release Subsequent File	Reinstate Coverage, Do not issue a CBIC	Pre-Release
98	Pre-Release Date Updated	No Action	Update
99	Pre-Release Date Cancelled	Re-suspend Individual	Cancellation

To support the pre-release process with DOCCs, the following new error codes have been created for reports/files going to LDSS and DOCCS:

Response Error Code	Response Error Description
00	Processed without error
01	Data on the required field is missing on the file
02	Invalid CIN
03	Client is not on database
04	Client not found in suspend status
05	The release date is greater than 30 days from the transaction date
06	Release code on the pre-release file not equal to 96 or 97
07	The client is not found in pre-release status Not Currently used for Upstate Processing
08	Release code on the update file not equal to 98 Not Currently used for Upstate Processing
09	Release code on the cancellation file not equal to 99
16	No Action Needed
17	Match in Multiple Cases
18	Transaction cannot be processed (pending transaction, clockdown closing, Case Status =14)
19	Recipient has active R/E = PL (THRU date = 12319999)

Daily Reports for LDSS

Two new daily reports will be created and delivered to LDSS via BICS and will be used by workers in the same manner as the WINR5613 is currently being used today. The names of the daily files will be AUTOMATED PRE-RELEASE and AUTOMATED RE-SUSPENSION. The WINR numbers have not yet been assigned. Once the numbers are available, they will be shared.

- **Pre-Release Report**

Staff is advised to review cases and take appropriate action for those that error with codes 04, 17, 18 or 19.

1. If response error code is 04, review and take action as appropriate.
2. If response error code 18 is due to a pending transaction has not cleared, resolve and manually reinstate. If the pending transaction has cleared, manually reinstate coverage following steps 4-6 below.
3. If response error code is 19, ensure that the individual has the correct pre-release coverage code and coverage "TO" date. End date the existing R/E =PL and put up a new R/E=PL with the new date pre-release coverage is set to begin.
4. If appropriate, manually reinstate with appropriate coverage based on RVI and set the Authorization and Coverage "FROM" date to the first day of the transaction month with an open-ended coverage "TO" date set to 12/31/49.
5. Assign the new "PL" Restriction/Exception (R/E) Code. This R/E "FROM" date needs to be set to the first day of the transaction month with an open-ended "TO" date of 12/31/99.
6. When Release code 96 appears on the Pre-Release Report, issue a Common Benefit Identification Card (CBIC) to the inmate at the correctional facility, including the DIN.
7. Issue Client Notice C46 if one has not been issued in the past 12 months. Review COLD to determine whether a pre-release notice needs to be issued.

- **Re-Suspension Report.**

Staff is advised to review cases and take appropriate action for those that error with codes 17 and 18.

- If appropriate, manually suspend coverage and set Authorization and Coverage "TO" dates to 12/31/49
- End date the R/E "PL" effective the transaction date
- No client notice to be sent

Section II – Modify Prisoner DIN Errors

Currently, Error "1937 - SOURCE CODE MUST BE 1, 2, OR 3" and Warning 1218 delete the prisoner source code when the DIN is blank. However, the source code is needed to identify the incarceration facility type. When the Source Code =3 and Medicaid Coverage = 04, 07 or 26 and Medicaid Coverage "TO" Date = 12/31/49, Edit 1937 will be bypassed. Warning 1218 will be inactivated and removed from the Error list.