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April 4, 2022

**TO: All Providers** 

RE: Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP)

The Alabama Medicaid Agency (Medicaid) received approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for statewide coverage of Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) related services effective January 1, 2022. NFP is a nationally recognized, evidence-based program that provides prenatal, postpartum and infant home visiting services until the child reaches age two.

Eligibility criteria for these services include Medicaid eligible women who are first-time mothers and/or have a high-risk pregnancy. High-risk pregnancy includes consideration of the mother's age (less than 17 or older than 35), previous negative pregnancy outcomes, and those with existing medical conditions prior to becoming pregnant (e.g., high blood pressure, diabetes, sexually transmitted diseases).

### Goals of the NFP program

- Improving health outcomes for mother and child
- Decreasing total Medicaid expenditures among families who receive NFP services
- Increasing healthy spacing between births to 24 months
- Reducing infant and maternal mortality

NFP has been available to Alabama families since 2008 through a grant from the Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education. Currently, three providers serve nine counties: NFP Easter Seals of West AL (Tuscaloosa); NFP of Central Alabama (Jefferson, Walker and Fayette); and Gift of Life NFP (Autauga, Elmore, Macon, Montgomery, and Russell).

#### **Providers interested in the NFP Program**

- Email Matthew Richardson from the National Service Organization (NSO) at <u>matthew.richardson@nursefamilypartnership.org</u> to learn about the NFP provider certification process.
- NFP certification must be completed **before** enrolling as a NFP provider with Medicaid.
- Additionally, NFP providers will be required to pay an application fee in compliance with CMS requirements.
- Eligible NFP providers can enroll in Medicaid via the Electronic Provider Enrollment Application Portal beginning on April 1, 2022 at <a href="https://medicaid.alabama.gov/content/10.0">https://medicaid.alabama.gov/content/10.0</a> Contact/10.3 Provider Contacts/10.3.4 Provider Enrollment.a <a href="mailto:spx.">spx.</a>
- Resource to assist NFP providers with the online application:
   https://medicaid.alabama.gov/documents/5.0 Managed Care/5.3 NFP/5.3 NFP Resource Provider Enr ollment 4-1-22.pdf.

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### **Reimbursement Information**

NFP services will be reimbursed once per month, per participating family unit/NFP Client ID in the amount of \$765.47. The first date of service eligible for payment will be July 1, 2022.

Below are the procedure combinations to include on claims for NFP reimbursement:

Procedure Code	*Modifier	*Modifier	Applicable Service
T2023	HD	U1	Prenatal
T2023	HD	U2	Postpartum
T2023	HD	U3	Infant/Child

<sup>\*</sup>Use of both modifiers will be required for reimbursement.

Additional information is required for claims submission (this information will be listed in the July 2022 edition of the Alabama Medicaid Provider Billing Manual. Claims paid in error will be subject to recoupment.

For more information related to the NFP Program, please visit <a href="https://medicaid.alabama.gov/content/5.0">https://medicaid.alabama.gov/content/5.0</a> Managed Care/5.3 Nurse-Family Partnership.aspx.