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What is the Alabama Tobacco Quitline?

The Alabama Tobacco Quitline is a free telephone (800-784-8669) and online coaching service (www.quitnowalabama.com) for any Alabamian who is ready to quit tobacco. The Quitline is open from 6 a.m. to midnight seven days a week.

What services are available?

All Quitline services are **FREE** to Alabama residents including:

- · Telephone and online coaching
- Printed support materials
- Electronic and fax referral program for healthcare providers
- Up to eight weeks of nicotine replacement therapy patches, if enrolled in coaching and medically eligible.
 Medicaid patients are not eligible for NRT through the Quitline and should get their cessation medications through Medicaid pharmacy services. Details are below.*

How can the Quitline help your patients?

Healthcare providers are encouraged to refer patients directly to the Quitline by faxing a referral form to 1-800-692-9023 or completing the electronic referral form found at www.quitnowalabama.com, under the for providers tab. The Quitline will contact the referred patient within 24 hours of receiving a referral to enroll the patient into the Quitline coaching program.

*For Medicaid patients:

Medicaid pays for any of the seven approved cessation medications** for its patients if the following documentation is submitted: **both** the Medicaid Pharmacy Smoking Cessation Prior Authorization Request form **and** Quitline referral form. Both forms should be faxed to Acentra Health at 1-800-748-0116 **and** the Quitline referral form should be faxed to the Quitline at 1-800-692-9023. Plan First Recipients are not required to have a Prior Authorization form submitted.

**Approved cessation medications include nicotine patches, gum, lozenges, inhalers, nasal spray, varenicline and bupropion SR, according to <u>Treating Tobacco Use and Dependence</u>, U.S. Clinical Practice Guidelines, 2008.

Quitline/Medicaid Pharmacy PA forms

The Quitline fax referral forms, both English and Spanish versions, and the Medicaid Pharmacy Smoking Cessation Prior Authorization Request Form can be found at www.quitnowalabama.com.

Meaningful Use:

Recording and providing cessation interventions are core clinical quality measures that can be used to demonstrate meaningful use.

For more information about the Alabama Tobacco Quitline, or to order Quitline materials for your office, call Tracie Cole at 334-206-6432 or email Tracie.Cole@adph.state.al.us.