









### **Notice: Transition to APR-DRG Payment System**

Effective **July 1, 2025**, Home State Health will adopt MO HealthNet's (MHD's) All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Groups (APR-DRG) payment system for acute inpatient Medicaid services. This change applies to MHD identified acute care facilities and supports more accurate, nationally aligned reimbursement based on patient acuity and resource use.

# Key Updates

#### Prior Authorizations

- Still required for inpatient admissions.
- Emergency admissions must be submitted within 1 business day.

#### Clean Claim Reviews

- Starting September 2025, 6 Degrees Health will review select high-dollar claims.
- Timely response to documentation requests is essential to avoid delays, payment reductions, or denials.

#### DRG Validation

- **Home State Health** (pre-payment) and **Cotiviti** (post-payment) will validate claims against medical records.
- Failure to respond may result in denial or recoupment.

## • Health Care Acquired Conditions (HCAC)

- Inpatient claims will continue to be reviewed using MHD criteria.
- Payments may be adjusted based on findings.

## Resources & Support

- Visit <u>HSH's APR-DRG page</u> for detailed information and <u>Provider Resources</u> for related policies and additional provider tools.
- For questions or assistance, contact Provider Services at 1-855-694-4663.

We appreciate your continued partnership and commitment to delivering high-quality care to our members.

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