

Select Health in the news:

First Choice rated the top Medicaid health plan in South Carolina!

Select Health of South Carolina's First Choice Medicaid plan is the top-rated Medicaid health plan in the state, with a 3.5 out of 5 rating in the **National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA)** Medicaid Health Insurance Plan Ratings 2017 – 2018. It is the third consecutive year that Select Health has been South Carolina's top-rated Medicaid health plan. Read more at [Select Health rated top Medicaid plan in South Carolina.aspx](#).

Select Health recognized for Multicultural Health Care excellence by NCQA for the fourth time

Select Health and its First Choice Medicaid plan have again earned Multicultural Health Care Distinction from the NCQA. Select Health's Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) program garnered this recognition by coordinating plan-wide delivery of culturally competent health care to members statewide. See more at [Select Health recognized for Multicultural Healthcare Excellence.aspx](#).



Got Transition?

Improve transition from pediatric to adult health care through the new and innovative strategies for health professionals and youth and families. For more information, visit www.gottransition.org.

Member spotlight First Choice member lobbies Congress for Medicaid

First Choice member Tymia McCullough, age 11, traveled to Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., to represent and be a voice for the 500,000 children in South Carolina enrolled in Medicaid. Tymia, who lives in Georgetown and is Miss South Carolina Pre-Teen 2017, voiced her concerns with the GOP's Better Care Reconciliation Act of 2017 proposal.

Diagnosed with sickle cell disease at birth, Tymia said Medicaid has been vital in helping to maintain and manage her health. She was happy to assist when the Medical University of South Carolina asked her for help in lobbying Congress. Tymia met with members of our state delegation, including Tom Rice, Tim Scott, Mark Sanford, and Lindsey Graham. Her biggest worry is how other children covered by Medicaid will be affected by this bill. If the Better Care Reconciliation Act passes, "there's no guarantee I will see my future," said Tymia.

We are extremely proud of Tymia and commend her on her courage and willingness to speak out on behalf of South Carolina's children enrolled in the Medicaid program.

Thank you Tymia!

Pharmacy spotlight
September 2017 Pharmacy and Therapeutic Committee changes

Formulary removal	Formulary alternative
Indocin 25 mg/5 mL suspension	Ibuprofen 100 mg /5 mL suspension
Meclofenamate 50 mg, 100 mg capsule	Ibuprofen 100 mg, 200 mg, or 800 mg
Olopatadine HCL 0.2% eye drops	Olopatadine HCL 0.1% eye drops
Oxaprozin 600 mg tablet	Ibuprofen 100 mg, 200 mg, or 800 mg
Percodan 4.8355 mg/325 mg	Oxycodone/acetaminophen 5/325 mg
Morphine sulfate suppository 5 mg	Hydromorphone HCL 3 mg
Morphine sulfate suppository 10 mg	Hydromorphone HCL 3 mg in equianalgesic doses
Morphine sulfate suppository 20 mg	Hydromorphone HCL 3 mg in equianalgesic doses
Morphine sulfate suppository 30 mg	Hydromorphone HCL 3 mg in equianalgesic doses
Oxycodone capsules 5 mg	Oxycodone 5 mg tablets
Formulary removal	Age limits added
Tramadol 50 mg, 100 mg ER, 200 mg ER, 300 mg ER	Must be 18 and older
Tramadol/acetaminophen 37.5/325 mg	Must be 18 and older
Codeine/acetaminophen 15/300 mg, 30/300 mg, 60/300 mg	Must be 12 and older
Codeine/promethazine cough all strengths	Must be 12 and older
Codeine/brompheniramine/pseudoephedrine cough all strengths	Must be 12 and older
Tuzistra XR (codeine/chlorpheniramine) suspension	Must be 18 and older
Codeine 15 mg, 30 mg, 60 mg	Must be 18 and older

Drug updates:

Please visit our website at **Pharmacy Services** for up-to-date pharmacy information, including:

- Changes approved by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics committee.
- Preferred drug list (PDL) updates.
- Drug recalls.
- Updated pharmaceutical management procedures.
- New prior authorization criteria.
- Procedures for submitting a prior authorization request through our online **pharmacy prior authorization** tool.
- Pharmacy benefit restrictions or limitations.

Important reminders:

In coming months, morphine milligram equivalents (MMEs) and day supply limits will be applied to all members. Complete details will be shared as the timeline is finalized. Select Health will closely follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC's) recommendations on use of opioids. Please visit www.cdc.gov for more information on the CDC's Opioid Guidelines, and for instructions on downloading the CDC Opioid App, which you may find useful in managing your patients.

Note: Members with active cancer diagnosis, sickle cell disease diagnosis, or in hospice or palliative care will be exempt from this requirement.

**Credentialing: Health care professionals/
providers have the right to:**

- Review information obtained through primary source verification for credentialing purposes. This includes information from malpractice insurance carriers and state licensing boards. This does not include information collected from references, recommendations, and other peer-review-protected information.
- Be notified if Select Health receives any credentialing information that varies substantially from application information submitted by the health care professional/provider (e.g., actions on license, malpractice claim history, suspension or termination of hospital privileges, or board certification decisions with the exception of references, recommendations, or other peer-review-protected information).
- Correct erroneous information if the credentialing information received varies substantially from the information that was submitted on their application.
- Upon request, be informed of the status of their application. If the application is current and complete, the applicant can be informed of the tentative date that their application will be presented to the Credentialing committee for approval.

**Fraud, waste, and abuse
contact information**

To report or refer suspected cases of fraud, waste, and abuse contact:

- **Select Health's Fraud and Abuse Hotline: 1-866-833-9718**

Mail: Special Investigations Unit
200 Stevens Drive
Mail Stop 13A
Philadelphia, PA 19113

- **Select Health Compliance Hotline**
(secure and confidential
24 hours a day, seven days a week):
1-800-575-0417

Providers may also report suspected fraud, waste, and abuse to:

- **South Carolina's Division of Program Integrity Fraud and Abuse Hotline: 1-888-364-3224**

Fax: **1-803-255-8224**

Email: fraudres@scdhhs.gov

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