As of Dec. 1, 2014, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama began making refunds and medical records payments electronically to provide less frequent payments in larger lump sums. If physicians are not participating in EFT, you should submit an Electronic

<u>Funds Transfer Authorization Agreement</u> to Blue Cross. Refunds on your bank statements will be noted BCBSALMEDR for medical records or BCBS OF AL for refunds.

If you have questions about this new process, click here.

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Alabama Medicaid Changes Case Management Fees

Alabama Medicaid will continue to operate its fee-for-service program until full-risk Regional Care
Organizations are implemented in
October 2016. However, the statewide expansion of the Health Home program in April 2015 will impact the structure of the monthly case management fees paid to Patient 1st Primary Medical Providers (PMP).

Beginning April 1, 2015, a PMP contracting with probationary RCOs operating a Health Home program will receive \$0.50 per month, per patient, assigned to their panel and an additional \$8 per patient, per month, for each assigned patient with a qualifying chronic condition(s), excluding FQHCs and Rural Health Clinics. If a Patient 1st provider does not contract with a probationary RCO that is operating a Health Home program, they will receive \$0.50 per month, per patient, for all patients in their panel.

More information on case management fees for Patient 1st PMPs, a list of FAQs on Letters of Intent, the Health Home program, RCOs and related topics is available on Medicaid's website at www.medicaid.alabama.gov. Questions may be directed to RCOPortal@medicaid.alabama.gov

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Alabama Medicaid Agency's New Phone Extensions for HP Provider Reps

Effective Monday, Jan. 26, HP Provider Representatives

may be reached by dialing **855-523-9170**, then dialing a 7-digit extension.

Revised telephone extensions are:

- Catherine Jackson, 1121067
- Jim Allen, 1121043
- Karita Patillo, 1121047
- Tori Tillery-Dennis, 1121064
- Gayle Simpson-Jones, 1121065
- Misty Nelson, 1121077
- Melissa Gill, 1121058
- Aleetra Adair, 1121057
- Debbie Smith, 1121066
- Lauryn Morgan, 1121048
- Whitney Anderson, 1121025

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Legislative Issues Survey: Fighting for Physicians in 2015

As the Medical Association prepares its agenda for the 2015 Alabama
Legislative Session and the 114th session of Congress, please help us by taking this four question advocacy issues survey to identify the areas of greatest concern to you, our members.

Armed with this information, we will be better equipped to advocate for you in our state and nation's capitols.

https://www.votervoice.net/MASA/Surveys/2745/Respond

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2015 Annual Session - "Navigating the Rough Waters of Health Reform"

2015 Annual Meeting and Business Session April 16-18, 2015

Renaissance Montgomery Hotel & Spa at the Convention Center MASA's Group Code: MASA 2015

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Hotel Room Deadline: March 25 To make hotel reservations online, click here.

To make hotel reservations by phone, call (877) 545-0311