HEALTH BENEFITS E-NEWS

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Consolidated Appropriations Act (CAA) and Transparency in Coverage

The federal Transparency in Coverage (TIC) regulation under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) requires health plans to make public machine-readable files (MRF) beginning on July 1, 2022 that contain the negotiated rates with in-network providers for all covered items and services as well as historical payments to and billed charges from out-of-network providers. The purpose of the rule is to provide transparency that federal regulators believe will promote consumer choice and competition among providers.

In compliance with certain components of the TIC regulations, the links below have been added to the DHRM website on all health benefits pages under the "**Notices and Communications**" link to fulfill the group health plan posting requirement.

Anthem: https://www.anthem.com/machine-readable-file/search

Aetna:

https://health1.aetna.com/app/public/#/one/insurerCode=AETNACVS_I&brandCode=ALICSI/machine-readable-transparency-in-coverage?searchTerm=61457&lock=true

Kaiser Permanente: https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/front-door/machine-readable

Optima Health: https://www.optimahealth.com/vendor/machine-readable-data/

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