

Medicaid Parity Attestation CHECKLIST

Have you completed all of the necessary steps required to receive the Medicaid/Medicare Primary Care Parity Payment? Use this checklist to make sure you've met the reporting requirements for your state.

Go to your state Medicaid and/or Department of Health website.

You will want to find the page meant for Physicians/Providers. Look first on this page for notifications about the Medicaid/Medicare Parity.

Search for “Attestation” or “Medicaid Parity” or “Primary Care.”

If your search on the provider page or Medicaid webpage does not produce the attestation form, you can contact your state chapter, or your state Medicaid department and ask them where to find the form.

Complete your attestation form per your state's instructions.

The attestation form for each state will be different. Some states may require you to print, complete, and mail your attestation form to them. Other states will ask you to complete an online survey or online form to submit electronically.

Check carefully for deadlines.

While you fill out and submit your form, you will need to be aware of the specific attestation deadlines in your state. Most states will have a deadline date by which you must attest in order to receive retroactive parity payment from January 1, 2013. **If you miss this date and submit a form after this deadline, most physicians will receive parity payment retroactive to the date of their attestation submission only.** Check your state Medicaid website for this specific information.

Verify your attestation form has been received by the State.

Some states will send confirmation that they have received attestation forms, while other states will not. Look on your state Medicaid website or check with your state Medicaid department to find out whether or not you will receive confirmation of your attestation submission.

Check to see when you can expect payment.

Look on your state Medicaid page dedicated to parity, or check with your state Medicaid department to find out when you can expect to receive your first parity payment, and how often these payments will occur (bi-monthly, monthly, quarterly, etc.)

Monitor your paychecks.

After submitting your attestation, make sure you are receiving what you expected to receive for the parity payment. If you would like, notify your chapter once the parity bump shows up in your paycheck.

Ask if you have questions.

Don't hesitate to contact your state Medicaid department and/or your AAFP State Chapter Executive with questions about attestation. The implementation of the parity has been quite complicated at the administrative level, so it is better to ask your questions before attesting in order to get it right!



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Additional Resources

Visit the AAFP website for the latest information on [Medicaid/Medicare Parity](#).

Problems/Issues?

Send a brief synopsis of your challenge to your AAFP State Chapter Executive and to Michelle Greenhalgh, AAFP Government Relations, mgreenhalgh@aafp.org.