

Payment Policy | BCBSRI Use of Provider Performance for Healthcare Operations



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OVERVIEW

This policy documents Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island's (BCBSRI) use of Provider Performance Data.

MEDICAL CRITERIA

Not applicable

PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

Not applicable

POLICY STATEMENT

BCBSRI's network of individual practitioners, group practitioners, hospitals, and ancillary providers, which may include, but are not limited to, skilled nursing facilities, home health agencies, acute substance abuse residential treatment centers, and rehabilitation facilities agree that BCBSRI may utilize provider performance data for health plan operations for all BCBSRI products. Examples of the use of provider performance data for health plan operations include but are not limited to: quality improvement activities, credentialing activities, public reporting to consumers, and preferred status designation in the network (tiering) where applicable, and cost-sharing for using preferred providers. Regarding initiatives that involve public reporting, BCBSRI will issue advance notice introducing the program to providers prior to implementation.

COVERAGE

Not applicable

BACKGROUND

It has been the standard practice of BCBSRI to utilize provider performance data in various initiatives and programs over the past several years. The policy statement above reinforces the practice that providers allow BCBSRI to use this performance data.

CODING

Not applicable

RELATED POLICIES

None

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Provider Update, May 2016

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REFERENCES

Not applicable

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