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			Out-of-network providers can call into our UM Department at 1-855-652-8249 for CCC Plus and 1-800-279-1878 for Medallion/FMAIS 4.0 to request a non-par auth which will pay claims at 100% DMAS.
Malpractice Insurance for Educators	Providers must have malpractice insurance if they are not covered by the local system.	✓ Requirements related to malpractice insurance for educators and non-traditional disciplines	Aetna Better Health of Virginia's liability insurance requirements for non-traditional providers in VA are as follows: \$1.0 million per occurrence/\$1.0 million per aggregate; provider must have liability insurance and supply a copy of the liability insurance certificate for credentialing submission
IFSP	IFSP must be on file with the MCO for the claim to be considered a Clean Claim.	✓ Method for LLAs to submit IFSP (fax, email) with the specific contact information	IFSP can be emailed to earlyinterventionservices@aetna.com or Faxed to 866-261-0581. The process for multiple is not different, can use the email or fax.
	If the IFSP is not on file with the MCO prior to the MCO receiving the claim, the claim will not be considered clean and the 14-day timeframe does not apply.	 ✓ Submission process of multiple IFSPs, i.e., batch or individual files ✓ Confirmation of receipt of IFSP 	We do make outreach to the provider once we receive it to inform of the case managers name and contact information assigned. This is often left via voice mail on the form received. *** NOTE** perhaps the providers are not receiving these messages, do they have a specific process or email that they would like for the MCO to use to inform them of this information?***
Clean Claim	Clean claims must be paid within 14 days.	 ✓ Process for non-clean claims, i.e., rejected or denied ✓ Process for handling non-clean claims with the provider 	Non-clean claims rejected, or denied, provider should review remit rejection/denial reason. If a billing error occurred provider should submit corrected claim(s). Providers can also contact our Claims Inquiry Claims Research Group at 1-855-652-8249 for CCC Plus claims questions and 1-800-279-1878 for Medallion/FAMIS 4.0 claims questions.
Decline to Bill Form and EOB	Families may decline to bill their private insurance for coverage of El services and will sign the Decline to Bill Form. LLAs will have this form on file. If family does not decline to bill, the	 ✓ Submission process for Decline to Bill Form ✓ Process for ensuring Claims Department is aware of Decline to Bill form ✓ Process for handling claims when Decline to Bill is or the EOB are not 	Decline to Bill form should submitted with the IFSP. When received by our UM Department, and the Decline to Bill form is included with the IFSP, they will add a member alert in claims processing system. When a member alert is added, it automatically notify Claims Processors that are processing El claims to bypass primary insurance and process Medicaid primary.
El Enrollment and Indicator	private insurance will send EOB A child must have an EI indicator on the enrollment file in order for an EI service to be reimbursed.	on file ✓ Process to handle claims when the El indicator is not on plan enrollment file	Under this scenario, if the Medicaid member is under three (3) years old, and the service billed is an EI service provided by an approved DBHDS - EI provider, these claims will pay full payment – there is nothing indicating that a partial payment is warranted.
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Care Coordination	Plan care coordinators should collaborate with the El Service Coordinator	 ✓ Role of the care coordinator ✓ Process for exchanging information between care coordinator and service coordinator ✓ Frequency of contact between coordinators, i.e., timeframe for initial contact and ongoing contact 	Once IFSP is received, member is assigned a CC. We outreach the service coordinator via telephone to provide contact information. This usually lends a message being left on a voice mail. The role of the CC at that point is to be available if any needs arise for the member. The CM then sets a task for 6 months out to follow up and assess for any needs.
Interpreter and Translation Services	Language assistance services, including but not limited to interpreter and translation services, are available free of charge.	 ✓ Process for providers, service coordinators, and/or families to access interpreter/translation services ✓ Timeframe for accessing interpreter/translation services 	Service coordinators coordinate interpreter services through member services and it requires 3 days notice. If there are challenges in getting this set up, the CC can assist with issues. Interpreter Services Call Medallion 4.0: 1.800.279.1878 Call CCC+: 866-261-0581
El Specific Email Box	Specific email contacts for submission of IFSPs, Decline to Bill Forms, etc.	✓ List specific email address	<u>Earlyinterventionservices@aetna.com</u> for IFSP This email address is for IFSP's, but if decline to bill forms come through, they will be forwarded. Decline to bill should come with claims. They do have a separate email VAEIDeclinetoBillForm@AETNA.com



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			Anthem will reach out to the individual therapist, should additional information be needed.
			Credentialing and contracting educators and other non-traditional disciplines are handled in a similar manner to individual therapist. An OON record is established once all validation criteria is obtained and found to be accurate.
			Credentialing and contracting service coordinators Contact information EarlyInterventionServicesSupport@anthem.com. bernard.christmas@anthem.com Bernard Christmas 804-337-7165
Malpractice Insurance for Educators	Providers must have malpractice insurance if they are not covered by the local system.	✓ Requirements related to malpractice insurance for educators and non-traditional disciplines	Malpractice insurance requirements are included in each group contract. El providers are linked to INN group records with requirements to maintain professional liability /medical liability insurance- limits must comply with all state laws and/or regulations. Those disciplines such as educators and service coordinators who wish to provider therapy services for Anthem are required to send verification of malpractice/liability insurance coverage to Anthems Early Intervention Services Support email (EarlyinterventionServicesSupport@anthem.com) before receiving an active provider record.
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Clean Claim	Clean claims must be paid within 14 days.	 ✓ Process for non-clean claims, i.e., rejected or denied ✓ Process for handling non-clean claims with the provider 	Anthem consider a clean claim as a request for payment for a service rendered by a provider that: Is submitted on time. Is accurate. Is submitted on a HIPAA-compliant standard claim form (CMS-1500, CMS-1450 (UB04) or successor forms). Requires no further information, adjustment or alteration to be processed and paid. Is not from a provider who is under investigation for fraud or abuse. Is not a claim under review for medical necessity. No claims fall into this category and should be removed.

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			HealthKeepers, Inc. will adjudicate clean claims to a paid or denied status within 30 calendar days of receipt for all claims. Claims related to CCC Plus and/or Medallion 4.0 early intervention services are required to be adjudicated within 14 days of receipt if the claims are deemed 'clean claims' (see below). If the claim is not paid within these time frames, HealthKeepers, Inc. will pay all applicable interest as required by law. See the following section for more information on clean claims for Anthem CCC Plus members.
			HealthKeepers, Inc. produces and mails an Explanation of Payment once per week, which shows the status of each claim that has been adjudicated during the previous claim cycle.
			If HealthKeepers, Inc. does not receive all of the required information, HealthKeepers, Inc. will deny the claim either in part or in whole within 30 calendar days of receipt of the claim. A request for the missing information will appear on the EOP. Once all requested information has been received, HealthKeepers, Inc. will process the claim within 30 calendar days.
			HealthKeepers, Inc. will return paper claims that are determined to be unclean with a letter stating the reason for the rejection. HealthKeepers, Inc. will return electronic claims that are determined to be unclean to the clearinghouse that submitted the claim.
Decline to Bill	Families may decline to bill their private	✓ Submission process for Decline	Anthem's Medicaid network is unable to submit electronic claims at this time. Therefore, providers are being asked to attach
Form and EOB	insurance for coverage of EI services and will sign the Decline to Bill Form. LLAs will have this form on file.	to Bill Form ✓ Process for ensuring Claims Department is aware of Decline to Bill form	"Decline to bill" forms to the actual claim during the billing process. This process is similar to attaching an EOB for COB claims. These documents are stored in the members file and can be accessed through Macess. When claims are scanned for processing the waiver form is also attached and considered during the COB process with the claim. Providers can also submit Decline to bill forms to bernard.christmas@anthem.com
	If family does not decline to bill, the	✓ Process for handling claims	
	private insurance will send EOB	when Decline to Bill is or the EOB are not on file	Anthem is currently updating its COB processes to automate the tracking of Decline to Bill forms. Claims requiring primary EOB or Decline to Bill form without documentation will be denied. EI lead normally receives DTB forms that are not on file, from providers. However, we are currently discussing other COB processes to better address DTB forms.
EI Enrollment and	A child must have an El indicator on the	✓ Process to handle claims when	Anthem's frontend system is based on what each state has decided on how to handle these sort of occurrences. If the plan is
Indicator	enrollment file in order for an El service to	the El indicator is not on plan	unable to find the profile, we then look for an eligible profile for the mother. The rejection response is the same as all other
	be reimbursed. Due to timing of the enrollment file, if the provider bills prior to the MCO receiving	enrollment file	member rejection responses: "Subscriber and subscriber id not found. When we receive claims for the VA market, they pend for 5 days on the front end before they are rejected back to the provider.
	the file listing the child as having the El		During the 5 day period, Anthem maps EI members based on what comes on the 834, or unless a specific request is placed. We
	indicator, the claim will deny due to "child not enrolled in the EI". This impacts		then manually update the plan based off DMAS guidance (834). The EI indicator comes only on the 834 and it does not come on any other supplemental file. That 5 day period is a grace period to see if any specific request are received from enrollment.
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Interpreter and Translation Services	Language assistance services, including but not limited to interpreter and translation services, are available free of charge.	 ✓ Process for providers, service coordinators, and/or families to access interpreter/translation services ✓ Timeframe for accessing interpreter/translation services 	For those instances when a provider cannot communicate with a member due to language barriers, interpreter services are available. Face-to-face interpreters for members needing language assistance, including American Sign language are available by placing a request up to one month in advance and no less than five days before a routine visit or 24 hours prior to rendering acute services. Note: The 24/7 Nurse Line has access to telephone interpreter services. Providers can call 1-800-901-0020 (customer service number on the member ID card) or Care Management 804-588-4521 Families needing interpreting/translation services should call 1-800-901-0020 Service coordinators should either coordinate services directly with care coordinators 1- 800-901-0020 option 6 or can also access these services for their member at 1-800-901-0020. Anthems third party interpreter vendor recruits qualified staff and contract interpreters experienced in working in healthcare settings. Our vendor selects only the best available interpreters in the marketplace. Staff and contract interpreter competencies are documented in the interpreter's file and are made available to Anthem upon request. Credentialing process consist of: Interviews Language Proficiency Testing, Health History (for Onsite interpreters) Background Check and Credential Verifications Qualification Verifications Training Program

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			<u>Interpreter Services</u>
			Families/Serv Coordinators: 1-800-901-0020
			Serv. Coordination w/ Care Coordination: 1-800-901-0020 option 6
El Specific Email Box	Specific email contacts for submission of IFSPs, Decline to Bill Forms, etc.	✓ List specific email address	Currently, there is an existing email mailbox designated to receive IFSPs. EarlyInterventionServicesSupport@anthem.com
			It is important to know that for incoming emails from outside of Anthem, the security would need to occur on the end of the
			sender as we ensure all emails incoming have a level of security but cannot dictate the security before it is sent to us.
			In regards to other EI documents, such as a Decline to Bill form, currently providers are required to attach the primary waiver
			form to each claim when billing. See comment in Decline to Bill section? SEE REPLY
			Note: Decline to bill forms can also be emailed to bernard.christmas@anthm.com.



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IFSP	IFSP must be on file with the MCO for the claim to be considered a Clean Claim. If the IFSP is not on file with the MCO prior to the MCO receiving the claim, the claim will not be considered clean and the 14-day timeframe does not apply.	 ✓ Method for LLAs to submit IFSP (fax, email) with the specific contact information ✓ Submission process of multiple IFSPs, i.e., batch or individual files ✓ Confirmation of receipt of IFSP 	Method for LLAs to submit IFSP- IFSP is submitted via the Utilization Management fax for Medallion 4 and CCC Plus. Upon retrieval, it is then attached to the members case and tasked to the members Care Coordinator for review Submission process of multiple IFSPs- Same process applies to batch files. We ask that separate faxes be sent to ensure they are attached to the specific member. Confirmation of receipt- A fax confirmation is generated upon successful retrieval. 1.423.591.9127 is the local fax number 1.800.614.7934 is the toll free number
Clean Claim	Clean claims must be paid within 14 days.	 ✓ Process for non-clean claims, i.e., rejected or denied ✓ Process for handling non-clean claims with the provider 	Process for non-clean claims- Non-clean claims will reject and/or deny with a specific code to explain the reason why the claim cannot be finalized. The claim will need require resubmission to correct the coding/billing error.
Decline to Bill Form and EOB	Families may decline to bill their private insurance for coverage of El services and will sign the Decline to Bill Form. LLAs will have this form on file. If family does not decline to bill,	 ✓ Submission process for Decline to Bill Form ✓ Process for ensuring Claims Department is aware of Decline to Bill form ✓ Process for handling claims when Decline to Bill is or the 	Submission process for Decline to Bill Form- If the family chooses to decline access to their private insurance; Molina Complete Care of VA requires the Decline to Bill form be submitted with the bill for the services. Molina currently does not require a Decline to Bill form in order to process or pay the claim. Process for ensuring Claims Dept is aware of form- By having the family submit the form with the bill, our claims team is aware of their request at receipt of the bill. Process for handling claims when Decline to Bill or EOB is not on file- If the Decline to Bill or EOB are not on file, the EI claims
	the private insurance will send EOB	EOB are not on file	are processed in the 14 day turn-around time, as per the contract.
EI Enrollment and Indicator	A child must have an EI indicator on the enrollment file in order for an EI service to be reimbursed.	✓ Process to handle claims when the EI indicator is not on plan enrollment file	If the EI indicator is not present at the time of the claim processing, the claim will deny. If there is a question regarding a member's EI status, our Claims and Enrollment teams work collaboratively to verify the status of the member. The process used to verify member is EI prior to receipt of the next mid month 834 involves The Individual Family Service Plan used to identify EI members. This is uploaded to the members file.
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Interpreter and Translation Services	Language assistance services, including but not limited to interpreter and translation services, are available free of charge.	 ✓ Process for providers, service coordinators, and/or families to access interpreter/translation services ✓ Timeframe for accessing interpreter/translation services 	months on average) Process for providers, SC, and or families to access interpreter/translation services - For telephonic language line services, the CC will initiate contact to our contracted provider to request the needed translation services to place a call to the member/family. If Face-to-Face transition services are needed. The CC (and/or the member) can outreach to our member services line to facilitate that appointment. Timeframe for accessing interpreter/translation services – Telephonic translation services are available to members, families, and providers. Request submitted via translator app at least 24 hours in advanced to ensure a translator is available to assist. Translator is assigned to the case. For families, providers, and Service Coordinators, the request for a translator is sent to our Customer Service team and the same process is followed. Interpreter Services Globo Interpretation Services 1-800-424-4518
El Specific Email Box	Specific email contacts for submission of IFSPs, Decline to Bill Forms, etc.	✓ List specific email address	We encourage providers and families to submit all documents through our fax lines below, however, the email box below is monitored daily.

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Malpractice	Providers must have malpractice	✓ Requirements related to	Until they are credentialed. Optima requires that the provider have the Virginia Cap Amounts either through their professional liability or
Insurance for	insurance if they are not covered	malpractice insurance for	malpractice is under the Excess/Umbrella policy. There are exceptions allowed in instances where the Virginia Cap
Educators	by the local system.		does not apply (non-professionals).

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Clean Claim	Clean claims must be paid within 14 days.	 ✓ Process for non-clean claims, i.e., rejected or denied ✓ Process for handling non-clean claims with the provider 	Optima will reject non-clean claims and will not have the claim entered into the system for the following: Incorrect name, date of birth, or ID number. Optima will deny claims that are missing information, e.g., EOB from the primary carrier.
Decline to Bill	Families may decline to bill their	✓ Submission process for Decline	Optima follows the guidance of the Infant and Toddler Connection provider manual, chapter 11, page 24, number
Form and EOB	private insurance for coverage of	to Bill Form	7, which states:
	EI services and will sign the Decline to Bill Form. LLAs will have	✓ Process for ensuring Claims Department is aware of Decline	"7. For children with Medicaid/FAMIS and commercial insurance coverage, providers must bill the commercial insurance first except in the following circumstances:
	this form on file. If family does not decline to bill, the private insurance will send EOB	to Bill form ✓ Process for handling claims when Decline to Bill is or the EOB are not on file	 a. If a family has declined access to their private health/medical insurance for covered early intervention services, then the following steps may be taken to secure Medicaid reimbursement without billing the commercial insurance first: Check "yes" for box 11D on the CMS 1500 form and Complete and sign a Notification to the Department of Medical Assistance Services: Family Declining to Bill Private insurance form and attach it to the claim form." Optima houses the Decline to Bill form in their system.
			Optima nouses the Decline to bill form in their system.
			Optima's claims policy and procedures describe the above steps and a copy of the form for reference to the claims processors as well as provider services department.
			If no EOB or Decline to Bill is submitted, Optima will deny the claim for missing EOB from the primary carrier.

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			The claim is pended for a claims processor to ensure that there is no EOB and the member file to check for the Decline to Bill, the claims processor does not reach out to the provider. The provider is able to do a reconsideration with appropriate attachments/information.
El Enrollment and Indicator	A child must have an EI indicator on the enrollment file in order for an EI service to be reimbursed. Due to timing of the enrollment file, if the provider bills prior to the MCO receiving the file listing the child as having the EI indicator, the claim will deny due to "child not enrolled in the EI". This impacts submission of a clean claim.	✓ Process to handle claims when the EI indicator is not on plan enrollment file	Optima will reimburse the T and G codes and do not have an edit to prevent payment.
Care Coordination	Plan care coordinators should collaborate with the EI Service Coordinator	 ✓ Role of the care coordinator ✓ Process for exchanging information between care coordinator and service coordinator ✓ Frequency of contact between coordinators, i.e., timeframe for initial contact and ongoing contact 	Role of Care Coordinator: Care Coordination is a collaborative process which assesses, plans, implements, coordinates, monitors, and evaluates plan of care options to meet the member's needs. The Care Coordinator will collaborate with the Service Coordinator to coordinate care and services, contract negotiations, and telephonic education in an effort to promote quality outcomes for each member. Process for exchanging info: Clinical Contacts: Optima Family Care Phone 1-800-503-5828, Email OFC CBCM@sentara.com, Fax – 1-757-390-4449. ISFPs are faxed to our Clinical team. Other communications between Care Coordinator and Service Coordinator are individually based per case, need and preference of each Coordinator may be phone or email communication. For OHCC: Care Coordination Fax (Medallion) Phone 1-866-546-7924 Fax 757-390-4449; Care Coordination (CCC Plus) Fax 1-844-552-7508. Email: OHCC LTSS TC@sentara.com (Team Coordinator's) Frequency — Established on individual case need for each member's level of care, contact may occur a few times per month, monthly, or quarterly based on the needs of the member.

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Interpreter and Translation Services	Language assistance services, including but not limited to interpreter and translation services, are available free of charge.	 ✓ Process for providers, service coordinators, and/or families to access interpreter/translation services ✓ Timeframe for accessing interpreter/translation services 	Interpreter appointments are scheduled immediately when Optima Staff call our Language vendor to schedule. An appointment can be set up in various ways: A provider or member would call member services phone number for language services, care coordination can schedule the interpreter or an e-mail can be sent to the languagehelp@sentara.com e-mail. We would not give providers direct access to our vendor due to proprietary access fees. It is very important that we are notified as soon as possible if a member cancels their appointment as we are charged for missed appointments.
			Members: 1-855-687-6260 (TTY 711) Providers: 1-800-229-8822 launguagehelp@sentara.com
El Specific Email Box	Specific email contacts for submission of IFSPs, Decline to Bill Forms, etc.	✓ List specific email address	There is not a specific EI e-mail for Optima Health. IFSP should be faxed to Optima and the Decline to Bill should be sent as indicated in the Infant and Toddler Connection Provider Manual.



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MCO Credentialing and Contracting	All EI providers must be credentialed and contracted by each MCO in order to provide services to members enrolled with the MCO. EI Providers are considered non-par (Providers are not contracted with the MCO) until they are credentialed. All EI providers must be certified by DBHDS and affiliated with a LLA prior to the MCO credentialing and contracting process.	 ✓ Credentialing process ✓ Contracting process ✓ Credentialing and contracting educators and other nontraditional disciplines ✓ Credentialing and contracting service coordinators ✓ Handling of out-of-network providers 	Please visit our website and watch a short video on the UHC medical (MD, RN, PT, OT, SLP etc.) credentialing process by accessing the link below or calling 877-842-3210. We've also embedded an FAQ document about credentialing that outlines the CAQH process and contracting process. https://www.uhcprovider.com/en/resource-library/Join-Our-Network.html or call Credentialing-FAQs. pdf For Behavioral Health provider types visit: https://www.providerexpress.com/content/ope-provexpr/us/en/our-network/jon.html or call (877) 614-0484. Credentialing Application guide: https://www.providerexpress.com/content/dam/ope-provexpr/us/pdfs/ourNetworkMain/jon/ProvGuide-CredApp.pdf Lastly, United Healthcare does not formally credential non-licensed providers (educators and other non-traditional disciplines). Continue to include them on your LLA roster to be added by our plan and formal credentialing will be waived. For non-participating providers we do not require prior-authorization for Early Intervention services, however if an
			Early intervention provider has never billed claims to UHC, the claim will pend for additional information, outreach

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			will be made to obtain a W-9 and validate DBHS certification. Once outstanding information is received, UHC will create an out of network provider ID, load the claim, and complete claims processing.
Malpractice Insurance for Educators IFSP	Providers must have malpractice insurance if they are not covered by the local system. IFSP must be on file with the MCO for the claim to be considered a Clean Claim. If the IFSP is not on file with the MCO prior to the MCO receiving the claim, the claim will not be considered clean and the 14-day timeframe does not apply.	 ✓ Requirements related to malpractice insurance for educators and non-traditional disciplines ✓ Method for LLAs to submit IFSP (fax, email) with the specific contact information ✓ Submission process of multiple IFSPs, i.e., batch or individual files ✓ Confirmation of receipt of IFSP 	 UHC would expect that the individual practitioner or their group affiliation would have appropriate insurance in place. UHC receives IFSPs via secure fax (these convert to PDFs to a secured fax email) at the following numbers: CCC Plus 855-770-7088 Medallion 4.0 844-207-2913 Our clinical team receives the IFSP, performs triage and assigns to the appropriate Care Coordinator for outreach to the LLA case manager. During the outreach, the Care Coordinator will introduce his or herself from the MCO and exchange contact information. Individual IFSPs should be sent as these are appended in individual member electronic records. UHC views your successful fax transmission report as valid confirmation of receipt.
Clean Claim	Clean claims must be paid within 14 days.	 ✓ Process for non-clean claims, i.e., rejected or denied ✓ Process for handling non-clean claims with the provider 	 If we are missing information/documentation a claim is not considered "clean". UHC will pend and either outreach to the provider or deny with a provider remittance advice (PRA) denial reason. UHC may pend/deny for various reasons. An example of pending the claim would be to contact the provider if missing provider data information was not available. An outreach to the provider to obtain the needed info would be made, then the processing of the claim would resume. A denial could occur if the provider is not contracted for the service. If the claim is resubmitted with additional information, UHC will process as a clean claim based on the resubmission date.
Decline to Bill Form and EOB	Families may decline to bill their private insurance for coverage of EI services and will sign the Decline to Bill Form. LLAs will have this form on file. If family does not decline to bill, the private insurance will send EOB	 ✓ Submission process for Decline to Bill Form ✓ Process for ensuring Claims Department is aware of Decline to Bill form ✓ Process for handling claims when Decline to Bill is or the EOB are not on file 	UHC does not require the Decline to Bill Form to be submitted. We process all EI claims and will conduct back end audits for appropriate COB actions that apply. If providers choose to submit the form, it will need to be submitted attached to a claim.

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Care Coordination	Plan care coordinators should collaborate with the EI Service Coordinator	 ✓ Role of the care coordinator ✓ Process for exchanging information between care coordinator and service coordinator ✓ Frequency of contact between coordinators, i.e., timeframe for initial contact and ongoing contact 	Our expectation is for Care Coordinators to contact the EI provider within 10 business days. After making initial contact with the EI provider, we verify receipt of the IFSP and discuss any immediate needs for the member that the Care Coordinator can help with. We will ask the EI provider for any previous quarterly EI meeting dates as well as the date of the next meeting scheduled for member to coordinate with members Intensive Care Team (ICT) in order to join in participation.
Interpreter and Translation Services	Language assistance services, including but not limited to interpreter and translation services, are available free of charge.	 ✓ Process for providers, service coordinators, and/or families to access interpreter/translation services ✓ Timeframe for accessing interpreter/translation services 	Language interpreter services can be initiated by contacting our provider service centers who will then facilitate appoint setting with our vendor, Language Line. Medallion Provider Services 844-284-0146 CCC Plus Provider Services 877-843-4366 Language Line recommends requesting interpreter service 3-5 days in advance if possible. The Services Coordinator can work directly with the CC to set up services.

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El Specific Email	Specific email contacts for	✓ List specific email address	UHC receives IFSPs via secure fax (these convert to PDFs to a secured fax email) at the following numbers which
Box	submission of IFSPs, Decline to Bill		are viewed by a member of the clinical care team:
	Forms, etc.		• CCC Plus 855-770-7088
			Medallion 4.0 844-207-2913
			If a specific email is required for additional clinical concerns
			Medallion 4 – Shane Ashby – shane_ashby@uhc.com
			CCC Plus Saffie Quarshie – saffie_quarshie@uhc.com
			All billing concerns should be first be addressed with Provider Services (numbers above).
			For escalated issues after contacting provider services, submit email to:
			UHC Community Plan of VA EI & HCBS Provider mailbox: va hcbs pr@uhc.com



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Malpractice Insurance for Educators	Providers must have malpractice insurance if they are not covered by the local system.	✓ Requirements related to malpractice insurance for educators and non-traditional disciplines	Credentialing: Malpractice History must be verified within 180 calendar days of the attestation (signature) date on the application. May obtain past five years of history of malpractice settlements from the malpractice carrier or must query NPDB or a copy of the current malpractice policy face sheet.
IFSP	IFSP must be on file with the MCO for the claim to be considered a Clean Claim.	✓ Method for LLAs to submit IFSP (fax, email) with the specific contact information	Providers can send individual IFSPs via fax (800-827-7192); once it is received at VA Premier a fax receipt is sent. Providers could also choose to email their IFSPs to (DLA_ACL-MedallionCMReports@sentara.com).

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	If the IFSP is not on file with the MCO prior to the MCO receiving the claim, the claim will not be considered clean and the 14-day timeframe does not apply.	✓ Submission process of multiple IFSPs, i.e., batch or individual files ✓ Confirmation of receipt of IFSP	Once an IFSP is received by either route it is forwarded to a case manager who will then call to confirm receipt of the IFSP to the service providers providing contact information for further care coordination.
Clean Claim	Clean claims must be paid within 14 days.	 ✓ Process for non-clean claims, i.e., rejected or denied ✓ Process for handling non-clean claims with the provider 	Claims process all clean claims within 14Ds of receipt. Unclean claims are either denied, rejected up front or provider is outreached to remediate in order to capture elements needed to process
Decline to Bill Form and EOB	Families may decline to bill their private insurance for coverage of El services and will sign the Decline to Bill Form. LLAs will have this form on file. If family does not decline to bill, the private insurance will send EOB	 ✓ Submission process for Decline to Bill Form ✓ Process for ensuring Claims Department is aware of Decline to Bill form ✓ Process for handling claims when Decline to Bill is or the EOB are not on file 	Decline to Bill and EOB forms do not affect our care coordination efforts.
EI Enrollment and Indicator	A child must have an EI indicator on the enrollment file in order for an EI service to be reimbursed. Due to timing of the enrollment file, if the provider bills prior to the MCO receiving the file listing the child as having the EI indicator, the claim will deny due to "child not enrolled in the EI". This impacts submission of a clean claim.	✓ Process to handle claims when the EI indicator is not on plan enrollment file	All EI claims are processed as received by the system (auto-adjudication) EI Enrollment Indicator. Our claims system will utilize the members age (< 3) to qualify them for EI services.
Care Coordination	Plan care coordinators should collaborate with the EI Service Coordinator	 ✓ Role of the care coordinator ✓ Process for exchanging information between care coordinator and service coordinator ✓ Frequency of contact between coordinators, i.e., timeframe for 	VA Premier care coordinators facilitate ongoing collaboration between the service providers, the families, specialists and the plan. Upon receipt of the IFSP, the care coordinator will review the IFSP for any needs and contact the service provider assigned. The initial contact to the service provider will be within 5 days of receiving the IFSP providing contact information and to discuss available benefits for the family, family needs along with the frequency for ongoing contact to best meet the healthcare goals of the member. The care coordinator will outreach the family with-in 14 days to offer the same support to the family directly.

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		initial contact and ongoing contact	
Interpreter and Translation Services	Language assistance services, including but not limited to interpreter and translation services, are available free of charge.	 ✓ Process for providers, service coordinators, and/or families to access interpreter/translation services ✓ Timeframe for accessing interpreter/translation services 	Virginia Premier provides telephonic interpretation services free of charge in 240 languages through a third-party interpretation vendor. We also employ an internal staff of bi-lingual agents to provide Spanish translation services in house as well as utilizing the Virginia Relay Service for Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Upon request, members are immediately conferenced in with an interpreter for their preferred language. The interpreter remains on the line with the member and Virginia Premier representative until all questions and concerns have been resolved. Should follow up calls be needed, Virginia Premier representative would utilize translation services for all subsequent calls to ensure member's requests are fully satisfied. When it comes to interpreters/translators for actual appointments, CM is contacted by member services or provider to provide the Translation Request From to the provider and the provider submits to The Language Group for interpreter service request for in office only. We have a different process for Telehealth Interpreter request during the current Pandemic. Member Services owns the Language Line Process and will assist with providing the member an interpreter for Telehealth. Interpreter Services: The Language Group: 1-844-DIAL-SLL (1-844-342-5755)
El Specific Email Box	Specific email contacts for submission of IFSPs, Decline to Bill Forms, etc.	✓ List specific email address	Please use this email for these reports DLA_ACL-MedallionCMReports@sentara.com