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20. DESCRIPTION OF EXTENDED SERVICES TO PREGNANT WOMEN

Pregnancy related and postpartum services include:

Physician
Clinic, including rural health and migrant health
In-patient hospital
Outpatient hospital
Prescription drugs

The above services are provided to all Medicaid eligibles. The restrictions specified in ATTACHMENT 3.1-A.1 apply to all eligibles including pregnant women. Services available to pregnant women do not exceed the scope of services available to other eligible individuals or groups.

Pregnancy Medical Home:

Pregnancy Medical Home (PMH) services are managed care services to provide obstetric care to pregnant Medicaid recipients with the goal of improving the quality of maternal care, improving birth outcomes, and providing continuity of care. Requirements for PMH services are specified in Attachment 3.1-F.

Qualified providers must:

- be currently enrolled with the N.C. Medicaid Program;
- meet Medicaid's qualifications for participation;
- bill only for procedures, products, and services that are within the scope of their clinical practice, as defined by the appropriate licensing entity; and
- meet the Division of Medical Assistance qualifications for enrollment as a PMH provider.

PMH providers include:

1. Individual physicians or physician groups enrolled with NC Medicaid as:
 - General/family practice
 - Obstetrics/Gynecology
 - Multi-specialty
2. Federally Qualified Health Clinics (FQHC)
3. Rural Health Clinics (RHC)
4. Nurse Practitioners
5. Nurse Midwives

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20. DESCRIPTION OF EXTENDED SERVICES TO PREGNANT WOMEN, CONT'D

Childbirth Education Classes

Childbirth education classes include a series of classes designed to prepare pregnant women and their support person for the labor and delivery experience. These classes are based on a written curriculum that outlines the course objectives and specific content to be covered in each class as approved and published in Medicaid Clinical Coverage Policies at the NC Division of Medical Assistance website, www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dma/mp/mpindex.htm.

Qualified providers must:

- be enrolled with the N.C. Medicaid Program; and
- be certified as a childbirth educator by a nationally recognized organization for childbirth education or meet State-approved childbirth education program requirements; and be a licensed practitioner operating within the scope of their practice as defined under State law or
- be under the personal supervision of an individual licensed under State law to practice medicine.