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What You Need to Know About the Breast Cancer Screening Measure

Reminder: Transportation to Mammograms is a Covered Service

Dear Care1st and ONECare Providers and Staff:

We have seen a drop in rates of routine mammography among women ages 50 -74. This is an important preventive service that AHCCCS and CMS carefully evaluate.

We are highlighting details of the Breast Cancer Screening measure to ensure that our members – your patients – have the preventive visits and services they need. We are reaching out to these members, and we ask that you support this effort by:

- Routinely checking whether female patients ages 50-74 have had a mammogram in the past two years (you may receive a list of gaps in care from us from time to time).
 - If a mammogram is missing, find out where the patient prefers to have her screening done, **as long as it is a facility contracted with Care1st or Care1st+**, and send the order directly to the imaging facility (you can check our contracted provider network at <https://care1staz.com/az/providers/network.asp> or <https://care1staz.com/az/healthplans/onecare/2018/?section=search>

Breast Cancer Screening (BCS) measure: Women ages 50 to 74 who had one or more mammograms to screen for breast cancer within a two-year period.

- This measure evaluates primary screening. We cannot count MRIs, ultrasounds or biopsies.
- Women who had a bilateral mastectomy are not included in the measure.
- Sample codes used
 - CPT Codes 77055-77057, 77061-77063, 77065-77067
 - HCPCS G0202, G0204, G0206

Routine transportation to covered services, including imaging services, are provided under AHCCCS (Medicaid). Because all Care1st+ members are also eligible for AHCCCS benefits, they may take advantage of this benefit for mammograms.

Arrangements for transportation are handled by the Care1st and Care1st+ Customer Services Department. Members must contact Customer Services at 602-778-8345/1-877-778-1855 (TTY call 711) at least 3 business days before their scheduled appointment.

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