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As part of the Family to Family Health Care Information Center, Parent to Parent of NYS has established the Links Digest to provide links relevant to the issues of health care. Below is the most recent listing of website links which we have found valuable and hope they will be for others.

Transition can be a time of great uncertainty. This month we provide some links to help navigate some big changes that your family may be facing.

What is Managed Care and how will it Affect OPWDD Payment for Services?

As OPWDD begins the process of transitioning from fee-for-service to managed care, it is important that families understand what changes will take place. OPWDD has developed a FAQ page containing information about managed care and how this differs from how payments are managed now. This page will be updated as changeover progresses to include new information. Voluntary enrollment into managed care is scheduled to take place starting in August 2019 with full-implantation targeted for 2021.

https://opwdd.ny.gov/opwdd_services_supports/managed_care/faqs

OPWDD has held and will continue to hold community forums throughout the state on the topic of managed care. You can also view a recording of a forum (webinar with a question/answer session) by clicking on this link.

https://opwdd.ny.gov/opwdd_services_supports/managed_care/video

Billing Codes for a Successful Transition from Pediatric to Adult Health Care.

Transitioning from pediatric to adult health care is more than simply changing doctors. Health care transition is a clinical process and should prepare youth to take a more active role in their own health care by providing them the knowledge they need to make informed decisions, encouraging them to maintain good health and transferring their medical care to a trusted adult provider.

Got Transition and the American Academy of Pediatrics have partnered to develop this transition services payment tip sheet which is updated annually. In this document you will find a listing of transition-related CPT (current procedural technology) codes that can be used by physicians to bill insurance for time spent facilitating a patient's transition from pediatric to adult health care. There are also vignettes that illustrate how these codes can be used in common patient situations.

<https://www.gottransition.org/resourceGet.cfm?id=352>

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