



Date: July 28, 2023

**RE: Local Coverage Determination (LCD) and National Coverage Determination (NCD)**

Dear Commonwealth Care Alliance Provider:

We are writing to inform you of an update to the Commonwealth Care Alliance (CCA) continued application of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) edits. CCA will soon begin applying LCD and NCD edits to Medicare covered services.

Our targeted implementation date is set for September 29, 2023, for Senior Care Options and One Care products. These edits, developed by Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs), are designed to minimize improper payments for Part A and B claims.

By implementing LCD and NCD edits, we aim to ensure the accuracy and appropriateness of coverage for the services provided and help maintain compliance with Medicare guidelines. We encourage you to refresh yourselves on the LCD and NCD guidelines at the following links to ensure you have the most current information:

- Local Coverage Determination at: [cms.gov/medicare/coverage/determinationprocess/lcds](https://cms.gov/medicare/coverage/determinationprocess/lcds).
- National Coverage NCD Report Results at: [cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/reports/national-coverage-ncd-report.aspx?chapter=all&sortBy=title](https://cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/reports/national-coverage-ncd-report.aspx?chapter=all&sortBy=title).
- CCA's General Coding Policy on the CCA website at: [commonwealthcarealliance.org/ma/providers/medical-policies/cca-payment-policies/](https://commonwealthcarealliance.org/ma/providers/medical-policies/cca-payment-policies/).

If you have any questions, please contact Provider Services at 866-420-0992. Thank you for the quality care you continue to provide our members.

Sincerely,

Commonwealth Care Alliance Provider Services