



ATTENTION HOME HEALTH PROVIDERS:

TRANSITION TO 15-MINUTE UNITS FOR RN AND LPN SERVICES

In the past, home health providers have been instructed to bill skilled nursing services by a registered nurse (RN) or licensed practical nurse (LPN) with 1 unit for a visit. National guidelines require these services to be billed in **15-minute units**.

Effective for dates of service on or after April 1, 2016, claims processing logic will be updated to reflect the intent of Medicaid policy and National guidelines related to Home Health Services for skilled nursing visits (HH 15 min for RN and LPN).

Beginning with date of service April 1, 2016, providers will be **required** to bill for skilled nursing visits in 15-minute units. Providers are encouraged to make changes to internal processes and systems to accommodate the change and avoid claims payment issues.

To substantiate the provider's claim for the number of 15-minute units billed for the visit, provider documentation of the visit **must** reflect the arrival time and departure time of the nurse. This documentation must be retained and made available for review upon request according to Medicaid standards for provider participation. If you have questions about the content of this message, you may contact Molina Provider Relations at 1-800-473-2783.