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NEWSLETTER

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Diabetes Grant

Health Plan of Nevada (HPN) has partnered with Nevada Healthy Choices in the study, Medicaid Incentives for Prevention of Chronic Diseases (MIPCD). Adult Medicaid members with Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes are eligible to participate in the study by enrolling in the HPN Health Management Program where they will receive diabetic education from a registered nurse. The Health Management Program's outreach is telephonic, so participants will need access to a phone during their program hours of Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Each participant in the study is randomly assigned to one of three groups; two treatment groups and a control group. Participants in treatment groups 1 and 2 for getting their HbA1c and LDL screening upon enrollment, at 6 months, and again at 12 months. Treatment group 2 participants can receive additional points for achieving healthy HbA1c and LDL levels. Members with a BMI of 30 or greater can attend HPN's Health Education and Wellness weight management classes, where additional points are awarded for attendance. Points can be redeemed for merchandise through an online rewards program called ChipRewards.

Participants assigned to the control group do not earn points or rewards; however, they will benefit from the educational programs.

If you or your patients are interested, please contact the Health Plan of Nevada, Health Management Program for referrals or more information. The numbers are 702-242-7346 or 877-692-2059, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ICD-10 Code Set to Replace ICD-9

ICD-10 Compliance Deadline Set as October 1, 2015

The latest compliance date for ICD-10 has been set as October 1, 2015, according to new regulation published by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) on August 4, 2014. This one-year delay in the implementation of ICD-10 came from language inserted into the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014, which was signed into law on April 1, 2014. The new regulation also clarifies that ICD-9 will continue to be required until September 30, 2015.

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